

GATEWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Who We Are

Gateway to New Life – Knowing God is life’s greatest adventure. A personal relationship with Jesus Christ gives us new life and new love – because God is love! I John 4:7-18

A God Given Mission – “We’re Learning to Love God and Love Others.” Lost people matter to God. To let God love us and to let Him love others through us is the greatest investment to which we can commit our lives. This mission will be our model for our discipleship process and ministry decision process. It’s our way of combining the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. Mark 12:30-31; Matthew 28:18 & 20; Hebrews 6:10-11

Trustworthy and Authentic Leadership – Leadership is a function, not an office. It is earned through faithfulness and service. Authentic implies integrity that produces trust. Our leadership team is called to make decisions and lead. Acts 6:4; Romans 12:8

Excellence and Commitment to Quality – Since God gave us His very best, Jesus, so we too should give Him our very best. We are committed to excellence in character, in love and in service. Colossians 3:17 & 23; John 13:34 & 35

Worship: Transforming and Encouraging – Scripture is full of singing! We believe that Spirit-filled worship is an important part of our ministry to God. As we praise, we open our heart, spirit, and mind to His mending of the bruised area of our lives. Our music is celebrative (upbeat) and contemplative to help you connect to our God of Love. Worship should refresh you. John 4:23-24

Authority of Scripture – We are a Bible-based church. The Bible is inspired by God and teaches us principles on how to live a life that is glorifying to God. For every area of conflict we encounter, the Bible provides an answer. John 8:31-32 & 17:17; Psalm 119:105

You Can Make a Difference Here – We believe every member of the body is a minister. God calls us all to serve in a local church. Discovering our unique spiritual giftedness through involvement in ministry produces joy and growth. The pastors are the equippers; all the members are the ministers. Ephesians 2:10; 3:20

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What We Believe

(Statement of Faith)

Christ Centered – We believe in Jesus Christ as God incarnate, Lord, Savior, and coming King. We believe in the one triune God, made up of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. John 1:1-14; Colossians 1:15-17 & 2:9; Isaiah 9:6

Humanity – Human sin has resulted in eternal separation from God and causes many problems in life. Because everyone has sinned, everyone needs the Savior. Romans 3:23; 6:23

Redemption – We believe that humans are completely unable to make up for sin by good works or self-improvement. Salvation is found only in Jesus Christ; John 3:16 & 14:6; Ephesians 2:8-9

Inspiration of Scripture – We believe the Bible is God’s Word. It is inspired by God, completely accurate, our final authority regarding Christian beliefs, and the guide for Christian living. IITimothy 3:16-17

Spirit and Spiritual Gifts – Only through the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit and Christians able to grow, to live Christ-like lives, to witness, to serve, and to give. As Jesus said, “Apart from me, you can do nothing.” WE rely on the Holy Spirit and believe in spiritual gifts exercised within Biblical guidelines. Spiritual giftedness and faithful ness determines where and how we serve. Ephesians 4:11-12; Romans 12:6

Transforming Worship – Worship, both private and public, is an essential, transforming ingredient in the Christian life. We put God first in our lives by making our worship services a priority. Colossians 3:16-17

Immersion and Communion – Since we seek to follow the Bible in faith and practice, we practice believer’s baptism by immersion under water, and we celebrate the Lord’s Supper every worship service. Romans 6:4; ICorinthians 2:23-26

Authority of the Local Church – In the Bible, there were no denominations; churches were self-governing. Independent Christian churches allow both its leaders and members maximum growth. ITimothy 3; Titus 1:5; Ephesians 4:15

New Life – The longer you walk with Jesus, the more you “hang out” with Jesus, the more you will become like Jesus. Your life will be changed for the better! Colossians 1:28

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Where We're Going

A healthy, loving, and growing body of believers.

Community Impact

- Ministries designed to reach out to the community, sharing God's love through Acts of Kindness with no strings attached. Matthew 5:13-16
- Compassion ministries such as Child's Portions food give away, Compassion International, Hospital Visitation, and many others.

Home Life Groups

- Every member participating in a small group.
- One Life Group for every 10 people. Our small group leaders are the real heroes in our church, and the Home Life Groups are where the action is, and the real growth takes place. Acts 2:42

Universal Missions

- Local and World Missions impact.
- Plant new churches here and abroad.

Relevant and Dynamic Worship

- Uplifting and encouraging worship services.
- Listen to sermon online.

Christian Education

- Dynamic children's ministry.
- Youth Sunday School.

Harvest

- New people coming to Christ weekly. Acts 2:47
- Every member using his or her spiritual gifts.
- To be faithful to God, focus on Jesus, and treat every individual as a precious treasure.