

**WHITE BLUFF CHAPEL
ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 MISSION STATEMENT 6/15/2003

This Mission Statement was prepared and approved by action of the Board of Trustees and provides the focus, direction and continuing goal of White Bluff Chapel.

White Bluff Chapel Mission is given from God's purpose in the world as told in the Bible and understood by faith. White Bluff Chapel is to provide a Christian institution for the use and benefit of the White Bluff community and surrounding area by encouraging spiritual growth and development through worship, study, building Christian relationships and ministering to people based on teachings of the Holy Bible.

1.2 STATEMENT OF PURPOSE 4/9/2000

As we celebrate God's presence in worship, we will seek to bring people to Jesus and membership in His family, help them achieve Christ-like maturity, and equip them for their ministry and mission in the church and the world.

1.3 STATEMENT OF FAITH 11/4/1999

We believe God exists eternally in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God, the Father, is the father of the whole family in heaven and earth with unlimited love, justice, and power. God, the Son, Jesus Christ, has always existed with God, the Father. He entered human history by a virgin birth and thus became totally human and yet completely God. He lived a sinless life, and was crucified and died for the sins of all mankind. The third day after His death, He returned to life with a recognizable physical body. After further teaching of His disciples and being seen by hundreds, He ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of God the father to intercede for us, promising us to return. God, the Holy Spirit moves among and within all people to convict us of sin, convince of God's truth, love, righteousness, and justice. The Holy Spirit witnesses to the glory and saving power of Jesus Christ and personally indwells believers to enlighten, comfort, and empower.

The Bible is God's inspired written Word, given as the only authoritative standard for faith and life. Every person was lovingly and purposefully created in the image of God bearing unique qualities and potentials. However, all have sinned and come short of the glory of God through self-will, resulting in spiritual death and separation from God. Rebirth and reconciliation to God are possible through Jesus Christ, who died in our place on the cross. Every person who turns from his natural state of rebellion and self will and receives Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is born again by the Holy Spirit to new, abundant life, now and forever. All such believers are brothers and sisters in Christ and compose the church. We are promised God's help in growth and Christian fulfillment. We are commanded to love each other and minister to each other. As we are

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filled with the Holy Spirit, we discover our own gifts, special places of ministry, so that we are a vital part of the Body of Christ, the Church.