Greater Lincoln Christian Academy Statement of Faith

- 1. We believe the Holy Scripture, consisting of the sixty-six books from Genesis to Revelation, to be the verbally and plenary inspired Word of God. It is the final authority for faith, practice and life, inerrant and infallible in the original writing. (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:21; Matthew 5:18)
- 2. We believe that the Godhead eternally exists in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, having precisely the same nature, attributes, and perfection and being worthy of the same homage, confidence and obedience. (Deuteronomy 6:4; John 1:1-4; Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 5:3-4; Hebrews 1:1-3)
 - A. We believe that God the Father is perfect in holiness, infinite in wisdom, and measureless in power. He concerns Himself mercifully with the affairs of men. He hears and answers prayer, and He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Crhsit our Lord.
 - B. We believe that God the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, became man without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, in order that He might reveal God and redeem sinful men. (John 1:14; Luke 1:35) He accomplished our redemption through His death on the cross as a representative, vicarious sacrifice. Further, He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God, where He is our High Priest and Advocate. (Acts 1:9-10; Hebrew 4:14-15, 7:25, 9:24; Romans 8:34; I John 2:1-2)
 - C. We believe that God the Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. He is the supernatural agent in the work of regeneration. He intercedes for, indwells and works through every "born again" believer. (John 16:8-11; Romans 8:9, 26-27; I Corinthians 12:12-14)
- 3. We believe that man was created in the image of God, but that he sinned and thereby incurred both physical and spiritual death. We believe that all men are born with a sinful nature and apart from Christ shall be ever separated from God. It is only through regeneration by the Holy Spirit that man can obtain salvation and spiritual life. (Genesis 1:26-27; Romans 3:22-23, 5:12; Ephesians 2:8-9)
- 4, We believe that salvation is a gift of God brought to man by grace and received by personal faith in the redeeming work of the Lord Jesus Christ, whole precious blood was shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of sins. (Ephesians 2:8-10; John 1:12; I PEter 1:18-19; Hebrews 7:25; I John 3:2,5; Romans 5:1; Galatians 2:16)
- 5. We believe in the personality of Satan, the author of sin and cause of the fall; that he is the open and declared enemy of God and man; that he is the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that 'works in the children of disobedience'; and that he is destined to the judgment of eternal justice in the lake of fire. (Isaiah 14:12-17; Ephesians 2:2, 6:11-16; Revelation 20:10)
- 6. We believe that the true church is composed of all such persons who, through saving faith in Christ Jesus, have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit and are united together in

- the body of Christ of which He is the Hea. (I Corinthians 12:12-14; Colossians 1:18; Ephesians 1:22-23)
- 7. We believe in the personal and bodily return of our Lord Jesus Christ for His saints and that this blessed hope has a vital bearing on the personal life and service of the believer. (I Thessalonians 3:13, 4:13-18; Acts 1:11; Revelation 20:4-7, 22:20)
- 8. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the dead, of the believer to everlasting blessedness and joy with the Lord, and of the unbeliever to the judgment of God. (Matthew 25:46; John 5:28-29; Revelation 20:4, 6, 12-15)
- 9. We believe in the creation of man and the world by the direct act of GOd (Genesis 1:26-28, 5:1-2), and that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity should be engaged in outside of marriage between a man and a woman. We also believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversion of God's gift of sex. (Leviticus 18:1-30; Romans 1:26-29; I COrinthians 5:1, 6:9)