

KNGDMALLIANCE

STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-2030

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1. Introduction

KNGDM Alliance is a global family of churches and ministries that is committed to proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, while demonstrating the values of the kingdom of heaven, the restoration and functioning of the five ministry gifts (Ephesians 4:11), and the New Testament objective of bringing together in Christ both Jew and Gentile. Why? Because we are longing for the return of our King, who will bring justice and righteousness to a world that so desperately needs it.

a) History

The vision of KNGDM Alliance started in 2022 when a group of pastors globally sought the Lord and felt they needed to gather together churches and ministries that have a similar heart to share the Gospel of the Kingdom to all the nations and see Kingdom communities sprout up and bloom all over the world. As Jesus said:

Matthew 24:14 (NLT)

“And the Good News about the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, so that all nations will hear it; and then the end will come.”

They felt a strong conviction that when you want to reach “all nations” that the place to start is Israel. Therefore, they felt they needed to get behind the Messianic movement there to support them in their outreach to fellow Jews. Paul said that the gospel is “good news” to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile (cf. Romans 1:16).

They also felt that the Lord wanted to heal the divide between the Jewish Messianic movement and the predominantly Gentile church. As Paul said:

Ephesians 2:14-16 (ESV)

14 For [Jesus] himself is our peace, who has made us both [Jew and Gentile believers in Jesus] one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, 16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

This is the unity Jesus prayed for in John 17:

John 17:20-21 (ESV)

20 “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

“These” are the first circle of Jesus’ disciples who walked with him during his ministry here on earth. “Those” are the ones who would come to faith through their testimony. In the book of Acts you can see widening circles of disciples: from Hebrew-culture Jews to Hellenistic Jews, to Samaritans, and then to the “goyim” (people from non-Jewish background). Jesus prayed that they would all be one. This unity was realized in the wake of the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15, but was later broken as a result of replacement theology and outright antisemitism in the church in the 2nd Century and after.

b) The Core Message of KNGDM Alliance: the Gospel of the Kingdom

KNGDMA Alliance is a global family on Kingdom mission. The center of our message is the gospel of the Kingdom - good news about the King and his Kingdom. This message is the organizing force behind everything we believe and do. It's the gospel that John the Baptist preached. It's the gospel that Jesus himself preached. It's the gospel that the apostle Paul and all the other apostles preached. And it's the gospel we are called to preach - and demonstrate!

The gospel of the Kingdom is the core message of the New Testament. It calls for our allegiance to Christ the King, over and against every other allegiance we may have in our lives. It's a Biblical message that puts the evil principalities and powers on notice that their grip on this world has come to an end, because Jesus the King, through the agency of a Spirit-filled and Spirit-led Church, is taking back what is rightfully his. This will be realized with when Jesus returns.

2. Mission, Vision, Values, Goal and Strategy

a) Mission - why do we exist?

The mission of KNGDMA Alliance is:

KNGDMA Alliance is called to be a catalytic movement that gives a clarion call to the whole body of Messiah, consisting of Messianic Jewish and gentile believers from all nations, to unite as one new man.

b) Vision - what do we want to be?

The vision of KNGDMA Alliance is:

KNGDMA Alliance's vision is to be an apostolically led, vibrant global family of congregations, ministries and leaders, that come together for worship, prayer and sound teaching, equipping them to bring in a Kingdom harvest.

c) Distinctives - why join KNGDMA Alliance?

What makes KNGDMA Alliance different than other networks? Why should you want to be a part of it? We believe we have a unique calling to represent the coming Kingdom in the following areas:

- **TEACHING AND DEMONSTRATING THE ONE NEW MAN:**
 - We teach on the importance of the one new man unity between Jew and non-Jew in Messiah (Eph.2).
 - Even more than that: we proactively demonstrate it in the make-up of our leadership teams and in the speaker line-up of our conferences.
- **PREPARING THE CHURCH FOR THE RETURN OF MESSIAH:** We help the Church be prepared for the return of Messiah:
 - We believe in the physical return of Jesus the Messiah as the King of all Israel and the head of the church.

- He will only return when the Gospel of the Kingdom has been preached to all nations (Matt.24:14) and when he sees his high-priestly prayer for unity between Jew and non-Jew in Messiah being fulfilled (John 17).
- We believe that when he returns, he will inaugurate the Kingdom of God on earth.
- The end goal of his return is the restoration of all things: Eden restored.
- **MAKING THE GENTILE CHURCH AWARE OF THE PLACE THEY HAVE IN THE BODY OF MESSIAH AND THE CITIZENSHIP OF ISRAEL, KNOWING THAT THEY ARE GRAFTED INTO THE OLIVE TREE OF FAITHFUL ISRAEL:**
 - Non-Jewish believers in Messiah need to avoid that they remain ignorant of the promises God has for Israel that are still unfulfilled.
 - They also need to avoid becoming arrogant, thinking that gentile believers have replaced Israel. They need to realize that they are grafted into the olive tree of faithful Israel (Rom.11).
- **SUPPORTING THE GLOBAL EKKLESIA AND PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS:**
 - We believe that local congregations are outposts of the Kingdom of heaven here on earth.
 - They are more than just embassies of the coming Kingdom; they are families where people can experience the power of the age to come.
 - KNGDM Alliance will help plant new congregations, and will assist existing congregations to catch and implement the “Kingdom vision” we represent, connecting Jew and non-Jew in Messiah globally.
- **COMBATting BIBLE ILLITERACY AND FALSE TEACHING:** In our digital age, unbalanced and even false teaching is spreading like wildfire over the internet, aided by the Bible illiteracy and lack of discipleship of many Christians. KNGDM Alliance is called to be a go-to source of healthy, Biblical teaching, while the world is being flooded by heresies and cults.

d) Time Period

This strategic plan is for the years 2025-2030, because of the goal to have partners in every nation of the world by 2030. Every year, we will review this plan and update it, and make the action points for the running year concrete.

e) Purpose

The purpose of KNGDM Alliance is to bring congregations and other ministries into covenant relationships so that we fulfil the vision and mission together, and live out these values in unity, so that we can effectively proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel of the Kingdom around the world.

Therefore, the main goal is that by 2028 we have partners in every nation of the world, and that we get initiatives off the ground in all those countries that bring restoration and healing in the name of Jesus.

We fulfill this purpose in the following ways:

- Organizing conferences and other gatherings that connect the Messianic Jewish movement in the nations with the gentile body of believers in those nations;
- Supporting and strengthening the affiliated congregations and ministries;

- Mapping existing mission initiatives from the congregations and ministries that are a part of the alliance, and connecting them with others in the alliance;
- Starting new mission initiatives where needed;
- Fundraising for those mission initiatives;
- Training (potential) pastors and leaders in biblical theology and congregational leadership;
- Spreading the Gospel of the Kingdom through various (online) media channels in as many languages as possible;
- Organizing mission and vision trips;
- Organizing regular online prayer calls.

f) Strategy

Our strategy for gaining a foothold in a particular country or region looks like this:

- We build connections with the local Messianic-Jewish movement as well as the gentile body of believers.
- We identify leaders from those movements who shows an interest in the vision and values of KNGDM Alliance, and connect them with each other;
- In conversations with those leaders, we check whether they have similar values and good relationships with other leaders in their area;
- We organize a leaders' gathering in the country or region for the leaders of the movements we are in relationship with;
- We invite leaders from other movements to those leaders' gatherings, and invite them to join the KNGDM Alliance if they have similar values;
- We invite them to become partners of KNGDM Alliance who will financially support the Alliance;
- We identify what support the leaders in that area need and make a plan to provide that support;
- We also take inventory of the mission initiatives have been developed in that area, determine whether they operate from similar values, and connect those initiatives with other initiatives we know about in the mission field;
- We raise funds and distribute them among the various (mission) initiatives as we see them fulfilling KNGDM Alliance's vision of bringing one new man unity and restoration to the region;

In the years 2025 and 2026, we will hold about four to six leadership events globally. These events can be:

- Leadership luncheons for 15-20 people with the focus on building covenant relationships;
- Leadership roundtables for 50-150 people with the focus on leadership development;
- Larger conferences for 300+ people with the focus on mobilizing the congregations and ministries that are in attendance.

3. Current status

KNGDMA Alliance was set up legally in the Netherlands in 2021 and now carries the official name Stichting KNGDMA Alliance. Late 2022 it started to gain traction as a global team was formed with leaders from the Netherlands, France, Israel, USA, Zimbabwe and South Africa.

Many connections have been made with congregations and ministries globally, including in Israel, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Cyprus, Albania, Germany, England, Ireland, USA, Uganda, Ethiopia, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Botswana. From these connections we will further build KNGDMA Alliance.

4. Goals for 2025 and following

a) Form a Global Fivefold Team

From our current global team and other strategic connections, we need to build a global fivefold team that is committed – on a volunteer basis – to move KNGDMA Alliance forward. The Global Fivefold Team determines mission, vision, values and strategy of KNGDMA Alliance as a whole. They “own” the global conference, which is held annually in the Netherlands.

These are the expectations we have for Global Fivefold Team members:

- Regularly attend and lead the monthly global prayer gatherings via Zoom (attendance at least once per month, be available to lead every other month);
- Co-lead an annual global vision meeting via Zoom;
- Attend a quarterly Global Fivefold Team meeting via Zoom;
- Attend at least one global conference or regional conference in person each year;
- Commit to \$500 in partnership with KA per month.¹

Currently serving on the Global Team:

- Robert Baxter (Assemblée Chrétienne Bon Berger Paris)
- Jacques van Bommel (Reaching a Generation & Celebration Church Mokopane)
- Dixon Changara (Celebration Church Zimbabwe)
- Simon Hemsley (His Church Durban)
- Petra Scott (Road to Jerusalem USA)
- Nathan Wilbur (Celebration Church Jacksonville & Wilbur Ministries)
- Paul Wilbur (Wilbur Ministries)
- Sebastiaan van Wessem (Celebration Church Netherlands)
- John Wyatt (Celebration Church USA)
- To be added: Ariel Blumenthal (Israel)

From the Global Team we set up an Executive Team that runs the day-to-day business of KNGDMA Alliance, consisting of:

- Sebastiaan van Wessem
- Petra Scott
- Nate Wilbur
- Simon Hemsley

¹ With team members from developing world members we should be able to make special arrangements.

b) Form Regional Fivefold Teams

Because we want to see the vision of KNGDM Alliance carried regionally, we want to develop regional fivefold teams. Currently, we see the need to develop these teams in the following regions:

- Europe (Netherlands, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Germany)
- Southern Africa (South Africa, Zimbabwe)
- East Africa (Uganda, Ethiopia, Kenya)
- Israel (in partnership with Tikkun Global)
- North America (USA)
- Also work toward regional teams in the Middle East

At least one of the Regional Fivefold Team members serves on the global team to certify a strong connection between global and regional. The Global Fivefold Team appoints Regional Fivefold Team members. Regional Fivefold Team members can nominate potential members.

These are the expectations we have for Regional Fivefold Team members:

- Regularly attend and lead the monthly global prayer gatherings via Zoom (attendance at least once per month, be available to lead every 4 months);
- Attend a quarterly Regional Fivefold Team meeting via Zoom;
- Attend an annual global vision meeting via Zoom;
- Help organize one regional conference per year;
- Attend the global conference at least once every two years;
- Commit to \$500 in partnership with KA per month.²

c) Form local boards for fundraising organizations

In order to accomplish the vision of KNGDM Alliance and assist missions projects we're involved in, we need to set up fundraising organizations in multiple countries. At the moment, we have already set those up in the Netherlands and the US. We are going to set one up in South Africa as well (in 2025).

From the Regional Fivefold Teams board members can be selected, as well as from the Global Fivefold Team. Also, board members can be nominated who are not part of these teams. All appointments to these boards need to be approved by the Global Fivefold Team.

Board members need to commit to:

- Attending quarterly board meeting;
- Attending an annual vision meeting with the Global Fivefold Team;
- Being an active part of administrating their local organization, and doing the necessary reporting in the country of residence;
- Fundraising for regional and global goals.

This is the work that needs to be done practically on our fundraising organizations:

- Netherlands:
 - Expand board to five
 - Do ANBI financial reporting over 2023
- USA:

² With team members from developing world members we should be able to make special arrangements.

- Regain control of bank account or open a new one
 - Do any reporting necessary
- South Africa:
 - Create non-profit organization
 - Appoint board members
 - Open bank account

d) Build / strengthen strategic partnerships

Already in close contact with:

- Tikkun Global
- Gateway Center for Israel
- Wilbur Ministries
- Road to Jerusalem
- Jewish Voice Ministries
- Frontier Alliance International
- Tikkun USA

Others we are in relationship with, but not yet close contact relating to KNGDM Alliance:

- Lifeway Global
- March of Life

Possible partnerships to build:

- Towards Jerusalem Council II

e) Plan conferences

Annually, we will hold one global conference in the Netherlands and a minimum of two regional conferences or roundtables elsewhere in the world with support from our Global Fivefold Team.

In 2025:

- Global Conference in the Netherlands May 15-17
- Africa conferences in Ethiopia and Zimbabwe
- Roundtables in South Africa
- Israel conference or roundtable

In 2026:

- Global Conference in the Netherlands
- Middle Eastern conference in Dubai
- USA conference plus roundtables

f) Set up offices

In order to support our global work, we will set up small offices in the US and the Netherlands. In South Africa we are planning to do the bulk of the work, based out of His Church in Durban.

g) Create fundraising strategy

What to raise money for?

- To support the offices in South Africa, USA and the Netherlands: \$50,000 annually
- To build and maintain resource website: \$ 5,000 annually
- Global and regional conferences: \$30,000 annually
- Missions projects: tbd

How to raise money?

- Monthly support through global and regional team members \$20,000 annually
- Fundraising at conferences \$10,000 annually
- Other donors \$20,000 annually

h) Create resource website

Set up a website with blogs, videos, trainings, books, etc., all in support of a healthy Kingdom-minded, Israel-centered theology.

5. Future

We expect the KNGDM Alliance to grow strongly in the coming years because of our goal to gain a foothold in every country in the world, starting with those that have a Messianic-Jewish presence that we are in relationship with. Strengthening the mutual covenant relationships between the affiliated churches and ministries is primary. We are not a network or organization, but a family after all.

This mutual bond is so important, because we now live in a world where freedom is drastically limited in countries that used to be considered free countries. We must reckon with pandemics, lockdowns and persecution, and be ready to continue our mission no matter what happens.

6. Organization

Stichting KNGDM Alliance has an ANBI-status. This status assures tax deductibility of donations from Dutch income tax.

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a) Board

The current board consists of the following people (all unpaid):

Chairman: Sebastiaan van Wessem (Almere)
Secretary: Arjan Hogebrug (Waddinxveen)
Treasurer: Johan Offereins (Amersfoort)

b) Staff

The foundation currently has no employees, but works with volunteers and sometimes seconded employees from affiliated congregations / ministries, who are serving as a staff. The following people are part of the staff:

- Vicki Kosmala (volunteer, Netherlands): executive assistant to Sebastiaan van Wessem
- Selina Rebel (seconded by Celebration Church Netherlands): global conference planner

7. Finances

a) Fundraising

The foundation (stichting) finances its activities from:

- Monthly donations from affiliated congregations and ministries.
- A group of supporting individuals and businesses.
- Grants and subsidies from external funds.
- Entrance fees to conferences and other activities and offerings during these events.

b) Not motivated by profits

The foundation has no profit motive, as is apparent from the articles of association and from its activities.

c) Appropriation of liquidation balance

Should the situation arise that the foundation should be dissolved, a positive liquidation balance will benefit an ANBI institution in the Netherlands or a related non-profit in another country with a similar objective.

d) Assets of the foundation

Financial profits are added to the continuity reserve exclusively for the purpose of the foundation.

e) Control of assets

Based on the articles of association of the foundation and its actual activities, no (legal) person has decisive control within the foundation. Thus, no (legal) person can dispose of the assets of the foundation as if it were their own funds.

f) Remuneration policy

The members of the board receive no remuneration for their activities, in accordance with the articles of association. Expenses incurred in the context of exercising the board position will be reimbursed if these cannot be reimbursed by the congregations / ministries with which the board members are affiliated, provided they are not excessive.

g) Description of administrative organization

The financial accounts of the foundation are managed by an accountant. The treasurer of the foundation has a controlling function in this. This administration must show: what amounts (per director) have been paid for reimbursement of expenses, what amounts have been spent on raising money and the management of the foundation. This also applies to all other costs, whatever the nature and size of the foundation's income and assets.

The foundation will manage a bank account. At the end of the financial year (which runs from January 1 to December 31), the books are closed by the accountant. The

annual report is drawn up from this, consisting of the profit and loss account, the annual accounts, the balance sheet, and a statement of income and expenditure for the relevant financial year. The treasurer has a controlling function in this.

The board assesses and checks the documents and approves the documents by means of a signature and discharges the treasurer. The report is published on the website.

h) Publication obligation

The foundation complies with its ANBI-publication obligation through the website www.kngdmalliance.org. The first full fiscal year is 2023.

Addendum 1: Statement of Faith

THE BIBLE

We believe the Bible, consisting of both the Tanakh (=Old Testament) and the New Testament, is the authoritative Word of God. It alone is the final authority for determining all doctrinal truths. God is the ultimate source of each of the 66 books in the Bible. Through his Spirit, God providentially chose and prepared multiple people for their role in putting together the sacred, inspired, canonical work we call the Bible.

God chose ancient individuals to author the books of the Bible in line with his goals of revealing his truth to future generations. Under his guidance, each person's contribution resulted in a complete record of all truth God purposed to reveal to humanity.

(Jeremiah 25:13; Proverbs 30:5; Luke 1:70; 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21)

THE TRINITY

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son (Jesus Christ) and Holy Spirit. These three are coequal and coeternal, and are revealed in both the Tenach and the New Testament.

(Genesis 1:26; Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 3:16-17, 28:19; Luke 1:35; Hebrews 3:7-11; John 1:1-3, 14)

JESUS CHRIST

We believe that Jesus Christ is God the Son, the second person of the Trinity. Since his incarnation, Jesus manifests both full divinity and full humanity—100% God and 100% man. He 1) is a Jewish man, born of a virgin; 2) lived a sinless life; 3) preached about and demonstrated the Kingdom of God through signs and wonders; 4) died on the cross for our sins, so that all of humanity could find its way back into God's inheritance; 5) rose from the dead on the third day, according to the scriptures; 6) ascended to sit on the throne on the right hand of the Father in heaven; 7) and will return in power and glory to restore all things.

VIRGIN BIRTH

We believe that Jesus of Nazareth was conceived by God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the womb of the virgin Mary. As a result, he is the incarnate Son of God, the Christ and the Word made flesh.

(Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18, 23-25; Luke 1:27-35; John 1:1-3, 14)

RESURRECTION

We believe that Jesus Christ experienced a physical resurrection from the dead on the third day following his death on the cross, and now has a glorified body. Following this resurrection, he ascended into heaven and now sits on the throne at the right hand of the Father.

(Luke 24:36-39; John 2:19-22, 20:26-28, 21:4; Romans 8:34, 1 Corinthians 15:3-9, 17-19; Colossians 3:1)

REDEMPTION

We believe that every human being was created in the image of God with the purpose of representing his rule on all the earth. Through voluntary disobedience man sinned and fell. As a result, all of humanity is lost and therefore needs to be brought back into relationship with God. Without Jesus Christ, everyone is incapable of avoiding sin. The only hope for redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and not through any human effort or merit.

(Genesis 1:26-27, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-21)

REGENERATION

Regeneration is the transformative work of the Holy Spirit, wherein the unredeemed soul or inner person is made new in response to embracing faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Regeneration is the necessary beginning point for a life of discipleship—believing loyalty—to Jesus Christ and God the Father.

(Ephesians 2:1-10; 4:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

SALVATION

We believe that man is saved by grace alone, through personal faith in Jesus Christ. Salvation is a gift from God, not a result of our good works or of any human effort. Embracing the gospel leads to a profound transformation through the regeneration and indwelling of the Holy Spirit. This compels us to turn away from sin in every aspect of our lives and embrace a lifestyle marked by complete loyalty to Jesus Christ, our King.

(Romans 4:1-5; 10:9-10; Acts 3:19, 16:31; Galatians 2:16, 3:8; Ephesians 2:8-9; Titus 3:5; Hebrews 9:22)

SANCTIFICATION

We believe in sanctification, which is the ongoing process of surrendering to God's Word and the Holy Spirit in order to develop a mature, Christ-like character. The believer is enabled to live a godly life through the ongoing ministry of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.

(Romans 8:29, 12:1-2; 2 Corinthians 3:18, 6:14-18; 1 Thessalonians 4:3, 5:23; Hebrews 2:11)

JESUS' BLOOD

We believe that Jesus Christ lived a perfectly sinless life, and shed his blood for us on the cross of Golgotha. His perfect sacrifice is perfectly sufficient to cleanse humankind of all sin. Jesus allowed Himself to be punished for both our sinfulness and sins, enabling all those who believe to be free from the penalty of sin, which is death.

(1 John 1:7; Revelation 1:5, 5:9; Colossians 1:20; Romans 3:10-12, 23, 5:9; John 1:29)

JESUS CHRIST DWELLS IN ALL BELIEVERS

Christians are individuals who have placed their faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ. In response, the Lord Jesus Christ takes residence within them through his Holy Spirit. They surrender the authority of their lives to him, making Jesus the Lord of their lives, as they trust in what he has accomplished for them: his death, burial, resurrection and ascension.

(Matthew 18:20; 28:20; John 14:17, Romans 8:11; 2 Corinthians 3:17-18; Revelation 3:20)

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit, given at Pentecost and available to all believers, is the downpayment of the promise of the new covenant which will find its full manifestation when Jesus returns and all Israel will be saved. Each believer is baptized by the Spirit (immersed) into the Body of Christ as part of salvation and regeneration.

Additionally, each believer should anticipate and actively seek the distinct and subsequent infilling of the Holy Spirit, sometimes referred to as the baptism in the Holy Spirit. This baptism experience continuously empowers the believer for Christian service in God's reconciling work in the world. The Spirit's presence in the believer opens the door to spiritual gifts and supernatural power for service. As the believer increasingly yields to the Spirit's guidance, this empowerment bears more and more fruit in his life.

(Jeremiah 31:31-34; Joel 2:28-29; Matthew 3:11; Acts 1:5, 2:1-4, 17, 38-39, 8:14-17, 10:38, 44-47, 11:15-17, 19:1-6; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 1:14)

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe the Holy Spirit is displayed through a variety of spiritual gifts to build and sanctify the Church, demonstrate the validity of the resurrection, confirm the power of the Gospel and to serve the world. The lists of these gifts in the Bible are not necessarily exhaustive and may occur in various combinations. These gifts always operate in harmony with the Word of God and should never be used in violation of Biblical parameters. Every believer should eagerly desire spiritual gifts and develop these gifts to promote the gospel in their everyday lives. We encourage the operation of the gifts of the Spirit for mutual edification of the Church in producing lasting fruit, and so that unbelievers might behold the work of the Holy Spirit for their spiritual transformation.

(Romans 1:11, 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31, 14:1-40; Ephesians 4:16; 1 Timothy 4:14; 2 Timothy 1:5-16; Hebrews 2:4; 1 Peter 4:10)

THE CHURCH

Every person who is born of the Spirit is part of the universal Church as a member of the body of believers, and is encouraged by Scripture to be planted in a local church for mutual encouragement. The Church is both the representative of Jesus on earth and the earthly expression of his kingdom. It is grafted into the olive tree of faithful Israel, and does not replace Israel as God's covenant people. The purpose of the Church is to carry out the Great Commission until Christ returns.

(Romans 11:17-24; Ephesians 1:22, 2:19-22; Hebrews 10:24-25; 12:23; John 17:11, 20-23; 1 Timothy 3:15)

ONE NEW MAN

We believe that God's intent was that all of humanity would revel in the reflection of his glory. He chose a people to incarnate the values of his Kingdom. This people, the physical descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, are known in the New Testament as the Jewish people. The Savior of the World, Jesus of Nazareth, came to save both Jew and non-Jew from selfish and sinful lives. When the Jew and the non-Jew are born again, they become part of the new creation and form together, as Paul calls it, the "one new humanity," or the "one new man". It is through the unity and diversity of both Jew and non-Jew in Messiah that Jesus is fully revealed to the world.

(John 17; Ephesians 2:15)

PRIESTHOOD OF THE BELIEVER

We believe that every believer is a priest (minister) and is enabled by the Holy Spirit to fulfill his or her calling in their homes, workplaces, and community.
(1 Peter 2:5,9; Romans 12:1; Matthew 28:18-20)

TWO SACRAMENTS

We believe that the sacraments of the Church, by the command of Jesus Christ, are water baptism by immersion and the Lord's Supper (Communion), both of which are administered to those who are born again by the Spirit of God.

We believe that water baptism, by full immersion, is a dynamic act of faith resulting in the cutting away of the sinful nature, allowing the believer to be raised into newness of life. After putting his faith in the sacrificial work of Christ on the cross and repenting from his dead works, the new believer obeys the word of God and is baptized in water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Through water baptism the believer dies to his or her old way of living, renounces any allegiance to Satan and the forces of darkness, and publicly declares loyalty to Jesus as the Lord and King of his or her life.
(*Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38-41; Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:11-14; Hebrews 10:22; 1 Peter 3:21*)

The Lord's Supper is a unique time when the body of Christ gathers together in the presence of God to partake of the elements of bread and grape juice or wine, which represent the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. These are taken in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, which fulfilled God the Father's requirement of just punishment for our sins so that we can be in covenant relationship with Him. As we partake of the elements together, we remember Jesus' sacrifice, we renew our devotion to him, we demonstrate our unity with our brothers and sisters, and we look forward to the full manifestation of the New Covenant when Christ returns and establishes his Father's kingdom here on earth.
(*Matthew 26:26-29, 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38, 8:12, 36-38, 10:47-48; 1 Corinthians 10:16, 11:23-26; 1 Peter 3:18-22*)

MARRIAGE AND SEXUALITY

We believe that the Bible clearly teaches that the covenant of marriage shall be reserved only for one biological male with one biological woman.
(*Genesis 1:27, 2:18-25; Matthew 19:4-6, 1 Corinthians 6:18, 1 Thessalonians 4:3, Romans 1:26-27, Deuteronomy 23:1*)

THE NEW HEAVEN AND THE NEW EARTH

Heaven is the place where God dwells; a place which will be reunited with a new earth at the end of the age. The new heavens and the new earth are the eternal dwelling place for all believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, where we will fulfill our original purpose of ruling and reigning over God's creation with our Lord, Jesus Christ. Unbelievers have no share in the eternal life on the new earth, but are instead eternally separated from God in the pool of fire.
(*Matthew 25:41; John 14:1-3; 17:24; 1 Cor 15:26; Romans 8:18-25; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Hebrews 9:27, 11:16; 1 Peter 1:4; Revelation 20:12-15, 21:8*)

SECOND COMING

We believe that Jesus will physically, visibly, and gloriously come to earth for the second time to establish his kingdom. This will occur at the end of the Great Tribulation, which is also referred to as the time of Jacob's trouble. He will return in the clouds, set his foot on the Mount of Olives, defeat the antichrist and his armies, and set up his government in Jerusalem, ruling over Israel and the nations in justice and righteousness.

(Matthew 24:30, 26:63-64; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-8; Revelation 1:7)

ISRAEL

We believe that God chose Abraham from all the nations of the world to fulfill his plan of redemption for all of humanity. By way of a unilateral covenant, God promised Abraham land and descendants. One of those descendants would be the final, faithful King of Israel and of all nations, Jesus. We believe the covenant promises that God made to Abraham are being fulfilled through the ages in a process, starting at the crucifixion of Jesus, and coming to completion at the return of Jesus and the establishment of the Messianic kingdom on earth. At that moment all Israel will be saved as they recognize Jesus is their Messiah.

We believe that Jews who come to faith in Jesus are called to continue in their identity as Jews, and are called to remain part of their people. Together with Gentile believers in Jesus they form a supernatural unity, which the Apostle Paul calls the "one new man".

(Genesis 15; Isaiah 66:8; Ezekiel 36:22-38; Ezekiel 37; Mark 4:26-32; Romans 11; Ephesians 2)