

# Foundational Statement of Belief

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be dealt with under the controversial issues clause in the Constitution. Members of the Association are encouraged to discuss with the Board any form of wording they believe would assist the Association in articulating its Christian distinctives.

Foundational to the existence of the Association is the Holy Bible and the revelatory work of the Holy Spirit. The Bible is the written revelation of God's Holiness and love and His provision of Jesus Christ, His only Son, as the only Saviour of the world. It is God's very breath; His absolute and effectual Word, sufficient and authoritative in all matters of faith and conduct. God's Word shows the nature of God; His Omnipotence, Omniscience, Omnipresence and Holiness, as it reveals His creation and preservation of the universe and all it contains.

This written Word of God allows us to understand who man is; God's special creation given perfect fellowship with his Creator, but estranged because of disobedience. To relate in truth to God, other men, and the world in which he dwells man needs to be reconciled to God.

God, in undeserved love for man, sent Jesus Christ, His one and only incarnate Son to live the perfect life, die and rise from the dead. The resurrected Christ now sits at the right hand of God as Lord, holding all things together. By grace, sin, death and hell are defeated, and through faith man is reconciled to God.

Personally receiving Christ as Saviour and Lord, and committing himself totally,