## Bold Grace Church Planting Initiative Doctrinal Statement

## Philosophy of this statement:

This statement is intentionally minimal to allow for partnership on church planting to be decided upon a case-by-case basis. In addition to agreeing with this minimal doctrinal statement, all potential leaders in new church plants will need to apply for cooperation with Bold Grace and conduct an interview with Bold Grace staff.

## **Doctrinal Statement**

- Jesus Christ died for the sins of the world, was buried, and physically rose from the dead on the third day (Matt 17:22-23; 27:1–28:9; Mark 9:31; 15:1–16:8; Luke 9:22; 18:33; 23:1–24:8; John 2:19-22; 19:1–20:18; 1 Cor 15:1-4).
- Salvation is a free gift, given to all who believe in Jesus Christ regardless of works or sins before, during, or after faith in Christ. There is no guarantee that all believers will persevere in faith and/or holiness, nevertheless, eternal life, once granted cannot be lost or given up under any circumstances (John 1:12; 4:1-26; 5:24; 6:37-40, 47-51; 11:25-26; 20:31; Acts 16:30-31; Rom 3:19–4:5; Gal 2:16; Eph 2:8-9; Rev 22:17).
- The Bible is the Word of God, and the original manuscripts are inerrant in all matters which they address (Luke 24:27, 44; John 5:39; Acts 1:16; 17:2-3; Rom 15:4; 1 Cor 10:11; 2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pet 1:21).
- Jesus Christ is both God and Man. He is not a created being, and all created things were created through Him (John 1:1-4, 14-18; Col 1:15-18; Heb 1:1-2; Rev 1:8, 11-18).
- Upon believing in Jesus Christ, a person becomes part of the Universal Church, the Body of Christ. Every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places is ours through our union with Christ (John 14:20; 15:1-5; 17:20-23; Rom 6:4-5; 1 Cor 6:17; 12:12-13; Gal 2:20; 3:27-28; Eph 1:3; 2:6, 11-22; Col 2:11-13; 3:1-11).
- Every member of the Universal Body of Christ is free from the Mosaic Law in its entirety, and is instructed to live by the Spirit instead of by the flesh (Acts 10:9-16; 15:5-12; Rom 3:19-20; 28; 6:14; 7:1-6; 14:5-6; Gal 2:11-21; 3:1-5, 13; 22-25; 4:8-11; 5:1, 3-4, 13, 18; 6:12-15; Eph 2:8-16; Phil 3:2-3, 8-9; Col 2:6-23; Heb 7:11-19; 1 Pet 2:15-16).

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| If you have any questions about any of the above points | , please note this on your application. |

By signing below, you affirm that you agree completely with all points of the doctrinal statement above.

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