ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES SUBSCRIBED TO BY MARS HILL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH 9 Mars Hill Road, Hoboken GA 31542

1st. We believe in one true and living God, that there are three in the Godhead: The Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

References: Matthew 28:19, 3:16-17; Luke 9:26; John 1:1-2, 14:26; 1 John 5:7;

Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Matthew 3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: 17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Luke 9:26 For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God.

John 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. 22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. 24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. 25 ¶ These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. 27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. 28 ¶ Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

1John 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments; and his commandments are not grievous. 4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? 6 ¶ This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. 7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. 8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. 9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son. 10 ¶ He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. 11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

At least one scripture I would add to this list is: John 5:32 There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true. 33 Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth. 34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. 35

He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. 36 But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me. 37 And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. 38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not. **39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.** 40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. 41 I receive not honour from men. 42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. 43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. 44 How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only? 45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. 46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. 47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

2nd. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, the only rule of FAITH AND PRACTICE.

References: 2 Peter 1:21; Romans 15:4; 2Timothy 3:16-17; Luke 24:45; Isaiah 8:20

2Peter 1:16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. 18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount. 19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

Ro 15:1 We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. 2 Let every one of us please his neighbour for his good to edification. 3 For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me. 4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. 5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: 6 That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2Ti 3:10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, 11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me. 12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. 14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; 15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

Lu 24:36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. 37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. 38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? 39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. 40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. 41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? 42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. 43 And he took it, and did eat before them. 44 And he said unto them,

These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. **45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,** 46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: 47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And ye are witnesses of these things. 49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Is a 8:20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

3rd. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.

References: Romans 9:11, 11:5; Ephesians 1:4; John 17:2, 10:28, Acts 13:48; 2 Thessalonians 2:13

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

References: Romans 3:9-12, 5:12-15, 5:18-19

5th. We believe in Man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

References: Romans 8:2, 9; John 6:44; Ephesians 2:1; John 15:5

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

References: Romans 3:24; 1 Corinthians 6:11; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 8:33; Revelation 12:10-11

7th. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost. **References:** 1 Corinthians 6:11; Romans 8:28; Jude 1:1; Ephesians 1:3-4; Romans 6:5-6, 3:20, 28, 30

8th. We believe that the saints shall preserve in grace, and never finally fall away.

References: John 10:27-29; Romans 8:38-39

9th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper and washing the Saint's feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances; and believe the only true mode of Baptism is IMMERSION.

References: Luke 3:21-22; Mark 14:22-24; John 13:4-5; Colossians 2:12

10th. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

References: Matthew 25:46; John 5:29; Titus 1:2; 1 Peter 5:10;

11th. We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of these ordinances, only such as are regularly called and come under the hands of the Presbytery.

References: Hebrews 5:1-4; Acts 13:2-3

12th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

References: Luke 20:35-36; John 5:28-29; Revelation 20:11-15

13th. We believe that marriage is to be between one man and one woman; neither is it lawful for any man to have more than one wife, nor for any woman to have more than one husband at the same time. **References:** (Gen. 2:21-24; Mal. 2:14-15; Matt. 19:4-6)

14th. We believe that it is not lawful to have in membership, hold in union, or join in communion, with any person or persons, believer or body of believers, church or churches, or association of churches, who allow that it is biblically acceptable, or legally correct by law or governing authority, to have in

membership, or support in any way, those who believe contrary to our Abstract of Principles (Articles of Faith) and the original King James Bible. **References:** Romans 1:26-27; Ephesians 5:7-11; 1Corinthians 14:40; 1Corinthians 5:4-8