

Baileyville Baptist Church – Where We Stand!

1. We are an independent, fundamental Baptist Church. We are not ashamed and do not hesitate to claim the title “Baptist”. We are not a non-denominational, progressive, or liberal Baptist Church. By God’s grace, we do not intend on ever abandoning this position or removing the name “Baptist” from our church, theology, or practice. We are not in agreement with and do not sympathize with the growing, prevailing attitude of many Baptist or who wishes to adopt the progressive route, retreating from old-fashioned, Baptist convictions and standards.

2. We strongly believe that the local church is the institution that God has ordained and authorized to execute the Great Commission. We believe, according to New Testament doctrine, that missionaries are to be sent out, supported by, and accountable to local churches. This authority, vested in the local church, is not to be deferred to a mission board, fellowship, or agency.

3. We expect missionaries to be actively involved in winning souls and baptizing and training converts, within the context of a Baptist church. Concurrently, the missionary should be leading or helping to lead his church to do the same. We are not interested in supporting missionaries who cease to fulfill the Great Commission or who disregard the authority of the local church and its indissoluble bond with the Great Commission.

4. We believe that the King James Bible is the pure, inspired, inerrant, preserved Word of God for the English-speaking people. Regarding Bible translations in foreign languages, we accept only those translations that adhere to the Received Text and reject those that do not. Baileyville Baptist Church’s position on this issue is not passive – it is active. We stand unequivocally for the King James Bible and against modern versions. We expect the preachers and missionaries, whom we support, to do the same.

5. Baileyville Baptist Church maintains her conviction that Biblical separation is applicable to the person’s entire life, including music and dress. We oppose the contemporary “Christian” music program and its adoption, in the name of “Praise and Worship”, by many fundamental Baptists. Our music standards are conservative and we firmly oppose any drift toward the modern contemporary music style. Likewise, in dress we believe that all Christians, and especially leaders, should demonstrate Biblical separation and professionalism. We do not agree with the encroaching attitude of “dressing down” for worship meetings and Christian service adopted by many preachers and missionaries. Further, we believe and teach that, at all times, a Christian’s dress should be: 1) Distinctive: men dress like men – ladies like ladies, and, 2) modest.

I am in full agreement with the above statement.

Missionary’s Signature

Date