WE BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER Who created and sustains the universe Who acts to deliver His people in times of need Who has declared, "The just shall live by faith"

Who desires all men everywhere to be saved Who rules over the destinies of men and nations Who continues to love men even when they reject him Who will reward the faithful with a crown of life

WE BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST THE SON Who came in the flesh to dwell among us Who announced the coming of the kingdom of God Who died on the cross to overcome the power and penalty of sin

Who rose from the grave for our justification Who reigns in heaven at the right hand of God Who will come to judge and rule the nations Who is the head of his body, the church

WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT Who indwells every believer with the presence and power of God Who gives gifts to men for the spiritual benefit of everyone Who draws men to Christ as their Savior and Lord

Who is the seal of our salvation and the guarantee of our inheritance Who leads us to find God's will in God's word Who intercedes for us with groans that cannot be comprehended Who brings unity and discernment unto the people of his church

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS MADE US HIS PEOPLE

To reconcile men to God through word and deed

To encourage and strengthen one another through God's word To pray and intercede for one another

To bear witness to the power of love over hate To suffer joyfully for the cause of righteousness To meet the daily tasks of life with boldness and purpose To proclaim Jesus as the Lord over life and death

To the ends of the earth
To the end of the age
To the praise of his glory AMEN



Know also that WISDOM is sweet to your soul. If you find it, there is a future hope for you!

(Prov. 24:14)

Friends are a potential source of great **joy** or great **anguish**.

He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.

(13:20)

A righteous man is cautious in friendship, but the way of the wicked will lead them astray.

(12:26)

The key to a happy friendship is an attitude that values that friendship.

Hatred stirs up dissension, but love covers over all wrongs.

(10:12)

He who covers over an offense promotes love, but whoever repeats the matter separates close friends.

(17:9)

Starting a quarrel is like breaching a dam. So drop the matter before a dispute breaks out.

(17:14)

An unfriendly person pursues selfish ends... (18:1)

Time spent <u>listening</u> in order to <u>understand</u> is not simply an investment in friendship.
It is the <u>essence</u> of friendship.

A fool finds no pleasure in understanding, but delights in sharing his own opinions. (18:2)

Some folks answer before listening. That is their folly and their shame. (18:13)

Making yourself <u>available</u> and <u>helpful</u> is the further <u>expression</u> of friendship.

A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for adversity.

(17:17)

Perfume and incense bring joy to the hearts, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their earnest counsel.

(17:9)

Like taking away a garment on a cold day or pouring vinegar on soda is one who [only] sings songs to a heavy heart. (25:20)