



# BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EST. 1998

*Love God, Serve Children and Light the Way for Tomorrow's Leaders*

February 1, 2021

Dear Prospective Parent(s)/ Guardian(s):

Thank you for your interest in Born Again Christian Academy. We are excited about the upcoming year. The staff at the Born Again Christian Academy is looking forward to serving your family.

Our purpose is to help each student achieve their maximum learning level and teach them Kingdom principles in a Christian environment. We perceive the classroom to be a loving and happy environment for learning and seek God's direction in hiring our teachers and staff.

As you know, for the last several months our community, our country and the world has been extremely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic...and it is still impacting our lives. We are living the "new normal" now. And because of the pandemic, BACA Elementary is presently conducting in-person learning (*at Born Again Church*). Our desire is to continue in-person learning for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. However, in compliance with the CDC guidelines, we can only accommodate a smaller student ratio for each class. Because of that, applicants will be approved on a first come, first serve basis; all other applicants will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified if an opening is available.

If you are interested in enrolling your child at BACA, please take a few minutes to review all of the enclosed materials (*please read the entire application*). Please fill out the application completely for admission along with the other documents enclosed, and return it to our office with the appropriate fees. All applicants will be notified of acceptance.

**The following fees/ documentation is required before acceptance:**

- ✓ Registration and Application (fee must be included with application)
- ✓ Kindergarten applicants **must be five years of age by August 15**.
- ✓ Transcripts and Letter of Recommendation (1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade applicants)
- ✓ Signed/ dated Tuition Agreement (included within the application)
- ✓ Student Profile (to be completed by child's last teacher or caregiver, not parents/ guardians)
- ✓ Health card [**updated** (*section D*) immunization record and physical examination]
- ✓ Copy of birth certificate
- ✓ Copy of social security card
- ✓ Automatic Draft Payment Form (*optional*)

**APPLICANTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNTIL ALL REQUIRED APPLICATION FEES/ DOCUMENTS FOR ADMISSION ARE SIGNED, DATED, AND PAID/ SUBMITTED.**

Please turn in your child's application as soon as possible to ensure that your child has the best possible chance for admission. New first grade through fourth grade applicants must submit previous school transcripts and a letter of recommendation for admission.

Once again, thank you for your interest in Born Again Christian Academy and may God guide you in a most important decision for your child's education. If you need any further information, please feel free to contact us at (616-228-1430).

The BACA Administration and Staff

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**Born Again Christian Academy  
2021/ 2022 Tuition/ Fees Information**

**Registration Fee**      New Students \$125.00

Returning Students: \$75.00

*(The registration fee is nonrefundable and must be payable with admission application).*

**Elementary Tuition Fees** (Kindergarten – 4<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Payments are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

**Monthly Tuition Plan:**    **Option 1:**    Monthly Tuition Plan (\$650.00 per month for 10 months) – (first monthly payment is due 8/1/21 & the last monthly payment due 5/1/2022)

**Option 2:**    One-time Payment Tuition Plan (10% discount, covers 10 months) – \$5,850.00 (payment is due 8/1/21)

**Aftercare Service** (optional):    **Option 1:**    Aftercare Services (\$150.00 per month for 10 months) – (first monthly payment is due 8/1/21 & the last monthly payment due 5/1/2022)  
3:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Option 2:**    One-time Aftercare Services Payment Plan (10% discount, covers 10 months) – \$1,350.00 (payment is due 8/1/21)

**Other Fees:**    **Graduation Fee** Kindergarten only - \$50.00 (Payable by April 2022)

**No Lunch Fee** (Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all students must bring a lunch to school each day)





## Born Again Christian Academy

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Nashville, TN 37207  
(616) 228-1430  
fax (616) 228-9598  
baca@bornagainchurch.org

### OFFICE USE ONLY:

Registration Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Curriculum Fee Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
1<sup>st</sup> Activity Fee Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
1<sup>st</sup> Month Tuition Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

*A non-refundable fee of \$125 must be paid to activate this application*

Date of application \_\_\_\_\_

### STUDENT INFORMATION

#### PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Applying for grade (*please check one*) ☐ Kindergarten ☐ 1st ☐ 2nd ☐ 3rd ☐ 4th

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last Preferred Name*

Date of birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Student's Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City State Zip Home Phone*

Is child a U.S. Citizen? Yes No If no, Immigration Status Card is required to be on file.

Is any other language primarily spoken in home other than English? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please identify: \_\_\_\_\_

### FAMILY INFORMATION

#### Mother/ Guardian

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (*if different than applicant*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

#### Father/ Guardian

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (*if different than applicant*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Which factor(s) most influenced your decision to apply to Born Again Christian Academy? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Christian Atmosphere ☐ Academic Quality ☐ Safe & Secure Environment ☐ Curriculum  
☐ Location ☐ Tuition Value ☐ Available Aftercare

Other reasons \_\_\_\_\_

### Medical Information:

Child's Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Have all required immunizations been administered? ☐ Yes ☐ No (please provide documentation)

Does student have any allergies, chronic health, emotional, physical limitations or learning differences? If yes, describe:

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### Other Information

Church Membership? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school last attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Has student ever been asked to repeat any grade? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Has student been placed on probation, suspension, expulsion or asked to withdraw from any educational institution? If yes, please explain:

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**Student Emergency Information:** Please list all individuals to contact in case of an emergency if a parent cannot be contacted immediately.

Name	Relationship	Contact Numbers
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____

Are the individuals listed above also allowed to pick up your child in an emergency, afternoon pick-up, early dismissal, etc...? Please check ☐ Yes ☐ No

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Enrollment Conditions

The student's continued enrollment is dependent on the student achieving satisfactory educational and behavioral performance and the student's parent's compliance with the policies and standards as outlined by Born Again Christian Academy. It is the sole discretion of Born Again Christian Academy to dismiss the student for failure to meet satisfactory performance, the parent's failure to comply with policies and standards, or nonpayment of tuition and fee expenses.

## Tuition/ Aftercare Plan

### Elementary (*Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grades*)

*(Please select one)*

☐ Monthly Tuition Plan (\$650.00 per month for 10 months) – (first monthly payment is due 8/1/21 & the last monthly payment due 5/1/2022)

☐ One-time Payment Tuition Plan (10% discount, covers 10 months) – \$5,850.00 (payment is due 8/1/21)

### Aftercare Services (*Optional – This amount will be added to your Tuition Plan selection*)

*(Please select one)*

☐ Aftercare Services (\$150.00 per month for 10 months) – (first monthly payment is due 8/1/21 & the last monthly payment due 5/1/2022)

☐ One-time Aftercare Services Payment Plan (10% discount, covers 10 months) – \$1,350.00 (payment is due 8/1/21)

☐ Aftercare Services will not be needed

### Morning Care Services (*No fee – Morning care begins at 7:00 a.m.*)

## Tuition Payments

Your child's tuition is based on your "checked" payment preference. There are several forms of payments, and they are as follows:

- Tuition Express Automated Payment Processing. A payment processing system that allows secure, on-time tuition and fee payments to be made from either your bank account or credit card.
- The Parent Portal (Kiosk) accepts Chip Cards with pin entry, credit and debit cards from all major credit card companies.

**Monthly tuitions are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.**

## Tuition Agreement

Tuition Express Automated Payment Processing. A payment processing system that allows secure, on-time tuition and fee payments to be made from either your bank account or credit card.

- I understand that tuition is due the first day of each month.
- I understand that I will be charged on a monthly basis.
- I also, understand I will be charged \$15.00 for late payments.
- I also, understand that I pay for the number of days reserved for my child regardless of attendance.
- I understand that this contract binds me for a term of one month and requiring a 30-day notice to dis-enroll by completing a withdrawal form.
- I understand that unpaid balances that are delinquent over two weeks will cause my child to be dismissed from school.
- If I receive a DHS voucher, I am responsible for all school fees that are not paid for by the State. This may include registration, curriculum fee, or overage fees.

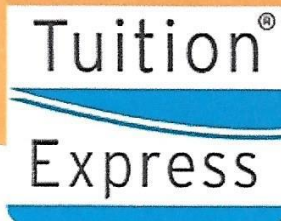
## Parental Obligation & Tuition Contract

I/ we, the parent(s)/ guardian(s) of the student named on this application, understand that, after acceptance, a place will be held for my child when the Student Admission Application Form, the non-refundable registration fee and required documentation has been submitted to the school. I/ we also agree to uphold the financial obligations and follow the guidelines of Born Again Christian Academy as stated in the Student/ Parent Handbook (*bornagainchristianacademy.com*). The school prefers the signatures of both parents; however, one signature constitutes a legal and binding contract. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is accurate and truthful. Therefore, I/ we, the parent(s)/ guardian(s) of the student named on this application, agree to the terms, conditions, and payments of Born Again Christian Academy.

Therefore, my/our signature(s) below indicates that I/we have read and understand the terms of this agreement and my/our financial obligation to Born Again Christian Academy.

_____	_____	Date _____
Printed Name of Parent/ Guardian 1	Signature of Parent/ Guardian 1	
_____	_____	Date _____
Printed Name of Parent/ Guardian 2	Signature of Parent/ Guardian 2	





## Automated Payment Processing Safe – Convenient – Easy

We are excited to offer the safety, convenience and ease of Tuition Express®—a payment processing system that allows secure, on-time tuition and fee payments to be made from either your bank account or credit card.

### ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION FOR **BANK ACCOUNT** and **CREDIT CARD**

I (we) hereby authorize (business name) \_\_\_\_\_ to initiate credit card charges to the below-referenced credit card account (**Section A**) OR, initiate debit entries to my (our) checking or savings account, indicated below (**Section B**). To properly affect the cancellation of this agreement, I (we) are required to give 10 days written notice. Credit union members: please contact your credit union to verify account and routing numbers for automatic payments. Check with the center for accepted credit card types.

#### COMPLETE ONE SECTION ONLY

##### SECTION A (Credit Card)

Cardholder Name	Phone #
Cardholder Address	City State Zip
Account Number	Expiration Date
Cardholder Signature	Date

##### SECTION B (Bank Account)

Your Name	Phone #			
Address	City State Zip			
Bank or Credit Union Name	Bank or Credit Union Address	City	State	Zip
Routing Transit Number (see sample below)	Account Number (see sample below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Checking	<input type="checkbox"/> Savings	
Authorized Signature	Date			

#### For Official Use Only

Date Received

Employee Signature

John Sample Mary Sample 123 Nice Street Anytown, USA	BANK OF THE WEST 555-555-5555	00226
Pay to the order of:	<b>Attach Voided Check Here</b>	\$
Deposit slips not accepted		Dollars
12345678901	10003308	0226
Routing Number	Account Number	Check Number

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## Student Profile

*This form is to be completed by the student's previous teacher or caregiver only.*

**PARENTS, PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM**

Date\_\_\_\_\_

**To the teacher:** We appreciate your cooperation in completing this form. The items below ask for your sense of this student's relationships within the school community, emotional, social, physical, intellectual growth and development. Your insight will help us to get to know the child. Please return this evaluation as soon as possible. Thank you.

Child's Name\_\_\_\_\_Birth date\_\_\_\_\_Grade\_\_\_\_\_

For the following items, please check (✓) one of the responses which may pertain to the child listed above:

### CONDUCT:

- ☐ good conduct
- ☐ usually good behavior
- ☐ occasional misconduct
- ☐ frequent disruption

### SELF-CONFIDENCE:

- ☐ healthy self-image
- ☐ need some support
- ☐ seems overly confident
- ☐ poor self-image

### CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS:

- ☐ unusually thoughtful
- ☐ usually considerate
- ☐ inconsiderate
- ☐ unkind

### SENSE OF HUMOR:

- ☐ highly developed
- ☐ good
- ☐ poorly developed

### SOCIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS:

- ☐ healthy relationship
- ☐ has occasional minor problems
- ☐ relates poorly

### SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY:

- ☐ responsible
- ☐ usually responsible
- ☐ sometimes responsible
- ☐ rarely responsible

### LEADERSHIP ABILITY:

- ☐ excellent
- ☐ good
- ☐ average
- ☐ poor

### RELATIONSHIP WITH ADULTS:

- ☐ is comfortable
- ☐ usually responsible
- ☐ avoids contact
- ☐ is dependent

## **Student Profile** *(cont.)*

### EMOTIONAL MATURITY:

- ☐ excellent
- ☐ average
- ☐ somewhat immature
- ☐ very mature

### PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

- ☐ enthusiastic
- ☐ frequent
- ☐ occasional
- ☐ rare

### INTEGRITY:

- ☐ trustworthy
- ☐ usually trustworthy
- ☐ untrustworthy

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
self-motivation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
attention span	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
ability to express ideas orally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
ability to follow directions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
ability to work in a group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
ability to work independently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
academic achievement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
attendance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>
parent cooperation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<hr/>

We would appreciate additional comments and observations concerning the strengths, weaknesses, health, or special needs of this student. We welcome any other information which you think would be helpful. You may use separate sheet of paper for further comments in each category.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher or Caregiver's Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
School or Daycare Provider Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
School or Daycare Provider Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip Phone

*Dear Teacher,*

*Please complete and mail or fax this form directly to:*

Born Again Christian Academy  
Attention: Elementary School Director  
858 West Trinity Lane  
Nashville, TN 37207  
FAX: 615-228-9598

## ABOUT BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Born Again Christian Academy and Preschool, a subsidiary of Born Again Church, established its first kindergarten class in 1998. Since that time, BACA kindergarten graduates have consistently scored in the top 90 percentile of the Stanford Early School Achievement Test. BACA is also a member of the Association of Christian Schools International. Students are instructed by caring, credentialed teachers who facilitate their growth and development in all areas: physical, social, emotional, academic and spiritual, utilizing varied learning experiences. Each class will have developmentally appropriate activities that are customized for their instructional level. The students will gain skills facilitating self-confidence, respect for others, and a positive attitude towards learning, all with a Biblical foundation.

## VISION STATEMENT

Our vision statement is: Love God, Serve Children, and Light the Way for Tomorrow's Leaders.

## MISSION STATEMENT

We believe a proper education begins with a clear understanding of the Bible. A Christian education is not complete unless it is brought about by the combined efforts of the home, church and school. Born Again Christian Academy was established to help support the efforts of parents and their church.

## PURPOSE

Born Again Christian Academy exists to glorify God by offering a Christ-centered, quality education for students that assists parents in training their children to be productive members of society and disciples of Jesus Christ. Our goal is to develop and encourage growth in every area of their lives; spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, socially and physically, according God's Word and relying on the Holy Spirit.

## SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

Born Again Christian Academy considers the school a ministry of the church. Its philosophy in regards to the overall operation is based upon the Biblical command found in Proverbs 22:6, **"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."** With Bible instruction undergirding the curriculum, Born Again Christian Academy is dedicated to the ideal of helping each student realize the full potential God has instilled in each student. Because we value each child as a unique and special creation, we strive to provide a learning environment in which students can excel.

We strive to provide a quality academic program which is taught in the light of God's Word. A controlled classroom setting is achieved by teaching students:

- To develop self-discipline, self-motivation and responsibility.
- To instill honesty and integrity within the school family.
- To develop a positive attitude toward learning.
- To grasp concepts fundamental to formal education.

## **SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY** *(cont.)*

- To develop skills in observing, exploring and forming conclusions.
- To learn effective communication skills.
  
- To develop physical growth and motor coordination.
- To develop sound health and safety habits.
- To attain competence in dealing with emotions and to become self-reliant.
- To grow in awareness and understanding of nature, as well as the cultural and social environment.
- To instill Christian morals and principles based on the Bible and the teachings of Jesus Christ.
- To accept God's love, the Bible, and the church as vital factors in a well-rounded life.
- To receive opportunities to discover and develop their spiritual gifts.
- To learn peaceful means to resolve conflicts and interpersonal problems.
- To learn the value of voluntary service.
- To exhibit courtesy, dignity and respect for others.
- To create an atmosphere where teachers, staff, students, and parents share the responsibility for the support of the school's mission.

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

*What we believe...*

**THE SCRIPTURES** - The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the product of holy men of old who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. The New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, we accept as our infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct and doctrine (2 Tim. 3:16; I Thess. 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21).

**THE GODHEAD** - Our God is One, but manifested in three persons - the Father; the Son, Jesus Christ; and the Holy Spirit; being co-equal (Phil 2:6). God the Father is greater than all; the sender of the Word and the Begetter (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14). The Son is the Word flesh-covered, the One Begotten, and has existed with the Father from the beginning (John 1:1, John 1:18; John 1:14). The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from both the Father and Son and is eternal (John 16:26).

We affirm the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life His miracles, His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, His bodily resurrection, His Ascension to the right hand of the Father, and His personal return to power and glory.

**MAN, HIS FALL, and REDEMPTION** - Man is a created being, made in the likeness and image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world. "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." "As it is written, There is none righteous, no not one." Jesus Christ the Son of God, was manifested to undo the work of the devil and gave His life and shed His blood to redeem and restore man back to God (Rom 5:14; Rom. 3:10; Rom. 3:23; 1 John 3:8).

Salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from works and the law, and is made operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God. (Eph.2:8).

**ETERNAL LIFE and the NEW BIRTH** - Man's first step toward salvation is godly sorrow that worketh repentance. The New birth is necessary to all men, and when experienced produces eternal life (2 Cor. 7:10; 1 John 5:12; John 3:3-5).

**WATER BAPTISM** - Baptism in water is by immersion, is a direct commandment of the Lord, and is for believers only. The ordinance is a symbol of the Christian's identification with Christ I His death, burial and resurrection (Matt. 28: 19; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2: 12; Acts 8:36-39).

**HOLY COMMUNION** - Communion, or the partaking of the Lord's Table, is a divinely instituted ordinance (Matt. 26:26-29; Luke 22:19, 29; 1 Cor. 11:23-26). The bread and wine are symbolic of the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the ordinance is a memorial of His death for our redemption. "For as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come." Believers are commanded to participate in this ordinance after examining themselves.

**THE WORK of the HOLY SPIRIT** - We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. We affirm the fullness of the Holy Spirit as the empowerment of the Christian for witness and service. We believe that the Holy Spirit provides one or more spiritual gifts to all believers, manifesting them as he wills. We believe that all the gifts of the Holy Spirit are operative today. (Gal. 5:16-25; Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11).

**BAPTISM in the HOLY GHOST** - The Baptism, in the Holy Ghost and fire is a gift from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers in this dispensation and is received subsequent to the new Birth. This experience is accompanied by the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Holy Spirit Himself give utterance (Matt. 3:11; John 14:16-17; Act 1:8; Acts 2:38-39; Acts 19:1-7; Acts 2:4).

**SANCTIFICATION** - The Bible teaches that without holiness no man can see the Lord. We believe in the Doctrine of Sanctification as a definite, yet progressive work of grace, commencing at the time of regeneration and continuing until the consummation of salvation at Christ's return (Heb. 12:14; 1 Thess. 5:23; 2 Peter 3:18; Phil 3:12-14; 1 Cor. 1:30).

**DIVINE HEALING** - We believe healing is for the physical ills of the human body and is wrought by the power of God through the prayer of faith, and by the laying on of hands. It is provided for in the atonement of Christ, and is the privilege of every member of the Church today (Mark 16:18; James 5:14-25; 1 Peter 2:24; Matt. 8:17; Isa. 52:4-5).

**RESURRECTION of the JUST and the RETURN of OUR LORD** - The angels said to Jesus' disciples, "This same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." His coming is imminent. When He comes, "... the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air..." (Acts 1:11; 1 Thess. 4:16-17). Following the Tribulation, Jesus shall return to earth as King of kings, and Lord of lords, and together with His saints, who shall be kings and priests, He shall reign a thousand years (Rev. 20:6).

**HELL and ETERNAL RETRIBUTION** - The one who physically dies in his sins without accepting Christ is hopelessly and eternally lost, doomed to the Lake of Fire and therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting. The Lake of Fire is literal. The terms "eternal" and "everlasting" used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the Lake of Fire, carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of saints in the presence of God (Heb. 9:27; Rev. 19:20).

**THE CHURCH of JESUS CHRIST** - We affirm the one, universal Church which is the Body of Christ. We affirm Christ as its Head. We believe all who are born again are its members (1 Cor. 12:12-27). The Church's purpose is to offer worship to God, fellowship, ministry, and instruction to itself, and evangelism and service to the world. We affirm the ministries set forth in Ephesians 4:11 and 1 Corinthians 12:28.

