

# The Arabic Evangelical Ministries

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## Mission Statement

Arabic Evangelical Ministries is a nonprofit Christian organization that preaches the gospel of Jesus Christ to the Arabic speaking community in Central Florida and beyond. Our mission is to spread the gospel of Jesus' love through regular worship services, tape ministry, radio ministry, and an annual church conference, as well as through our discipleship as believers who are part of the greater body of Christ.

## The Arabic Evangelical Ministries executes this Mission in the following ways:

**Regular Services:** The church, which is the body of believers, meet for Bible Study every Friday and for church service every Sunday. Our services are a time for worship and praise, an opportunity to study the Bible and to pray together, and a chance to participate in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

**Tape Ministry:** The tape ministry offers sermons and bible studies in the Arabic language to the Arabic speaking community.

**Radio Ministry:** The Arabic Evangelical Ministries preaches the gospel to the Arabic speaking community through twice-weekly sermons on 88.7 FM. These sermons are broadcast on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

**Church Conference:** The Arabic Evangelical Ministries extends its outreach through an annual church conference, held in March, which provides the opportunity for Arabic speaking Christians from around the country to fellowship together.

## Articles of Faith

### The Bible

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

### God

There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

### Christ

Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Savior and Lord.

### The Holy Spirit

The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

### **The Government of God**

God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

### **The Sinfulness of Man**

Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherits a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

### **The Work of Christ**

The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

## **The Terms of Salvation**

### **The conditions of salvation are:**

1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it.
2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God.
3. Continuance in faith and obedience unto death.

### **Election**

God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

### **Freedom of the Will**

The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

### **Salvation Free**

God desires the salvation of all, the gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

### **Perseverance**

All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

### **Gospel Ordinances**

BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel.

### **Tithing**

God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a).

### **The Christian Sabbath**

The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

## The Apostle's Creed

### **Our faith is based on the words of The Apostle's Creed:**

"I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven  
And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
Whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church,  
The communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And life everlasting.

Amen."

\*The word "catholic" refers not to the Roman Catholic Church, but to the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ.