

CHURCH OF YAHUSHA

Church of օװַײַךְ HaMashiach 1914 Ministries

Declaration of Beliefs

Article 1

We believe that God the Father is ַײַךְ (Yahuah), who is the only true God and is the sole Creator of the heavens and earth and all that is in them. (John 17:1,3) We further affirm that He is Spirit in nature or state of being (John 4:24) and is from everlasting to everlasting (Psalm 90:2).

Article 2

We believe that the Lord օװַײַךְ (Yahusha) HaMashiach is the only begotten Son of ַײַךְ who was exalted by ַײַךְ to be Lord (Acts 2:36), Savior (Acts 5:31), and Mediator (1 Timothy 2:5) and was granted authority over heaven and earth (Matthew 28:18). We believe that the Lord օװַײַךְ HaMashiach was exalted and given a name above all other names so that at the name of օװַײַךְ every knee should bow in heaven and on earth (Philippians 2:9-11). Nevertheless, we believe that the Lord օװַײַךְ HaMashiach is a human being in nature or state of being (John 8:40) and at no point was He also a God but was Himself created by ַײַךְ. We also believe that օװַײַךְ remains subject to ַײַךְ seated at the right hand of ַײַךְ (Colossians 3:1; Psalms 80:17).

Article 3

We believe that the Holy Spirit is ַײַךְ's power sent by ַײַךְ and the Lord օװַײַךְ HaMashiach to strengthen, guide, help, and comfort the chosen or elect

of ᲠᲚᲠᲗ. We also believe that the Holy Spirit can be manifested through the various gifts in the body of ᲐᲠᲚᲠᲗ for the purpose of edification (John 14:26; John 15:26).

Article 4

We believe that the Bible contains the inerrant and inspired words of ᲠᲚᲠᲗ and is the sole basis for all YAHUSHAN (Christian) doctrine and instruction in righteousness (2 Timothy 3:15-17; John 17:17; Psalms 119:151 AMP).

Article 5

We believe that the Church was established by the Lord ᲐᲠᲚᲠᲗ HaMashiach in the first century and is composed of three groups according to Biblical prophecy (Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:39). The first two groups that comprise the Church as a whole were represented by the Jews and the Gentiles who were called into the fold in the first century. We believe that the first century Church eventually turned away from ᲠᲚᲠᲗ and consequently did not remain ᲠᲚᲠᲗ' s people (Matthew 24:4,11; 1 Timothy 4:1,3).

However, the Lord ᲐᲠᲚᲠᲗ HaMashiach prophesied about His other sheep, the third group that would comprise the Church as a whole (John 10:16). This third group will come from the islands of the sea in the Far East during a time the Bible calls "ends of the earth" (Isaiah 24:15-16), a reference pertaining to a period of time when the end of the world is near, signaled by World War I which broke out on July 27, 1914. The Iglesia Ni Kristo which was registered with **the Government of the United States of America in the**

Philippine islands on July 27, 1914 under the presidency of President Thomas Woodrow Wilson and Governorship of Governor General of the Philippine Islands Francis Burton Harrison became the fulfillment of the third group that will comprise the Church of Christ or the Church of օװַײַֿֿ (YAHUSHA) today as a whole.

We also believe that the third group will be taken into the fire and be tested according to Biblical prophecy (Zechariah 13:8-9). The remnant or survivors of this test will continue the work of the Iglesia Ni Kristo, known today as Iglesia Ni օװַײַֿֿ (Church of YAHUSHA) (Isaiah 1:8-9).

Article 6

We believe that the one, true Church established by օװַײַֿֿ is indispensable for salvation since it is what has been redeemed by the blood of the Lord օװַײַֿֿ HaMashiach (Acts 20:28 Lamsa). We further believe that the Church refers to the people (who truly believe and practice the YAHUSHAN faith) that comprise the body of օװַײַֿֿ HaMashiach and not its buildings and other properties and the visibility of the True Church or Body of օװַײַֿֿ HaMashiach will be revealed only on the day when օװַײַֿֿ meets them in the clouds (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 AMP). We believe that people are added into the body of օװַײַֿֿ HaMashiach through the instrumentality of the true baptism (Acts 2:47 NKJV; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Colossians 1:18). However, ַײַֿֿֿ through the Lord օװַײַֿֿ

HaMashiach, has complete authority to add or remove whomsoever from the body of **owʻʻʻʻ** HaMashiach (Psalms 69:28; Revelations 3:5).

Article 7

We believe that the present earth and heavens will disappear and that the Holy City in the New Heavens and Earth will be the permanent home of those who are saved (2 Peter 3:10,7; Revelation 21:1-4). On the day of the first resurrection, also known as the day of the (Rapture) for those many religious researchers, we shall inherit eternal life as co-heirs with the Lord **owʻʻʻʻ** HaMashiach and live and reign with **owʻʻʻʻ** HaMashiach for a thousand years on earth, “the millennial kingdom,” as Immortals (Revelation 5:10 ESV). But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection (Revelation 21:5). And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before **ʻʻʻʻ** God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books (Revelation 21:12).

The Salvation or Condemnation of those who are not with **owʻʻʻʻ** HaMashiach, the non-members of the true Church of **owʻʻʻʻ** will take place on the second resurrection or on the day of Judgement, after the 1,000 years reign of **owʻʻʻʻ** HaMashiach, (John 5:28-29 AMP)

²⁸ Do not be surprised at this; for a time is coming when all those who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ²⁹ and they will come out—**those who did good things [will come out] to a resurrection of [new] life, but those**

who did evil things [will come out] to a resurrection of judgment [that is, to be sentenced]. No human being here on earth has authority to proclaim salvation or condemnation. The final judgment is in the hands of **YHWH** alone (James 4:11-12; Isaiah 33:22).

Article 8

We believe in **YHWH**'s work of sending messengers who are given the authority to reveal the mystery of the Gospel (Mark 4:11-12). We also affirm our belief that **Brother Felix Y. Manalo and the Ministers with him were YHWH's messengers appointed to preach the Gospel to bring about the emergence of the Iglesia Ni Kristo (Church of OWHY today)** in the Philippine Islands, in the Far East, in fulfillment of Old Testament and New Testament prophecies in the Holy Scriptures (Revelations 7:2-3; Isaiah 46:11; Isaiah 41:14; Isaiah 41:9-10).

Article 9

We believe that the Iglesia Ni Kristo (known as the Church of OWHY (YAHUSHA) today) is the work of **YHWH**'s hand for the salvation of all people (Isaiah 43:13; Isaiah 46:11). Thus, the opportunity to join the Church of OWHY (Movement) is open to all individuals, regardless of their nationality, race, or ethnicity (Galatians 3:28). Whoever wants to believe the teaching of the Gospel and practice every teaching will be baptized into the one Body of OWHY HaMashiach (The Church of OWHY) and become a YAHUSHAN.

Article 10

We believe that **የኃይለ** appoints spiritual leaders to shepherd the flock of the Lord **ዐሠኃይለ** HaMashiach (Isaiah 1:26; Hebrews 13:7,17-18). We believe that it is our duty to submit to the authority given to them. However, their authority is not absolute and is subject to the will and words of **የኃይለ** and the laws of the land (Romans 13:1-3; 1 Peter 5:3). These leaders (Shepherds of the flock) can never be a ruler over **those who have been put in their care but examples to the flock or Church** (1 Peter 5:1-4 GNT) I, who am an elder myself, appeal to the church elders among you. I am a witness of **ዐሠኃይለ** HaMashiach's sufferings, and I will share in the glory that will be revealed. I appeal to you ² to be **shepherds of the flock that **የኃይለ** God gave you** and to take care of it willingly, as **የኃይለ** God wants you to, and not unwillingly. Do your work, not for mere pay, but from a real desire to serve. ³ **Do not try to rule over those who have been put in your care**, but be examples to the flock. ⁴And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the glorious crown which will never lose its brightness.

Article 11

We believe that it is our duty to worship **የኃይለ** in spirit and in truth (John 4:24 NKJV). This must be regularly and consistently practiced while observing decency, orderliness, and solemnity at all times (Hebrews 10:25 NKJV). We believe that worship must be done with reverence and befitting the holiness of **የኃይለ**.

Article 12

We believe that governing authorities have been appointed by **የኃይለ** to punish those who practice evil. As such, we believe in being subject to presidents, governors, and rulers in obeying, honoring, and sustaining the laws of the land. (Romans 13:1-7 GNT, 1 Peter 2:13-17 AMP) for as long as the laws they

implement are in accordance with the Laws of **የኃይለ** our God (Acts 5:27-29 AMP) ²⁷ So they brought them and presented them before the Council (Sanhedrin, Jewish High Court). The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, “We gave you strict orders not to continue teaching in this name, and yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you intend to bring this ^[c]Man’s blood on us [by accusing us as His murderers].” ²⁹ Then Peter and the apostles replied, “**We must obey **የኃይለ** God rather than men** [we have no other choice].

Article 13

We believe that as disciples or followers of **ዐሠኃይለ** HaMashiach we must imitate the example of the Lord **ዐሠኃይለ** HaMashiach in living our life. We must also have **ዐሠኃይለ**’s mindset (1 Corinthians 2:16 GNT). Hence, we must fulfill the two greatest commandments He taught: to love **የኃይለ** our God with all our heart, strength, and mind and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves (Matthew 22:37-14 GNT). For this reason, we believe in our responsibility of doing works of charity that are motivated by love and not by the praise of men. Furthermore, we believe that love must be accorded not only to those of the same faith but to all people regardless of their race, sexual orientation and beliefs. It is by our sincere demonstration of love for our fellow YAHUSHANS, fellow human beings, and even our enemies, that we can be known as true disciples of **ዐሠኃይለ** HaMashiach and true children of **የኃይለ** (Matthew 6:1-4 NKJV).

Article 14

We believe that not all churches belong to **የኃይለ**. **ዐሠኃይለ** founded only one true Church; the Church of **ዐሠኃይለ** (YAHUSHA) (Matthew 16:18 NKJV). This Church (Movement) must bear the name of **ዐሠኃይለ** (Acts 4:10-12 NKJV). We believe that the Church is

composed of people who have the same faith, received the same baptism, have one hope, received one Spirit, and have the same testimony of prophecy. It is in this Church (movement) that we can conduct the kind of worship and service that is acceptable to **የእግዚአብሔር** and leads to the First resurrection (Ephesians 4:1-5 NKJV) which is our sure salvation. However, those who are not with **ዐሠየእግዚአብሔር** HaMashiach or not in the Church of **ዐሠየእግዚአብሔር**, for whatever reason, could it be they are in different faith, or haven't been reached by the Gospel or they don't have the laws of **የእግዚአብሔር**, could find a way for salvation based on how they have obeyed the laws written in their hearts, please see article number 7.

(Romans 2:12-16 GNT)

¹² The Gentiles do not have the Law of Moses; they sin and are lost apart from the Law. The Jews have the Law; they sin and are judged by the Law.

¹³ For it is not by hearing the Law that people are put right with **የእግዚአብሔር** God, but by doing what the Law commands. ¹⁴ The Gentiles do not have the Law; but whenever they do by instinct what the Law commands, they are their own law, even though they do not have the Law. ¹⁵ Their conduct shows that what the Law commands is written in their hearts. Their consciences also show that this is true, since their thoughts sometimes accuse them and sometimes defend them. ¹⁶ And so, according to the Good News I preach, this is how it will be on that Day when **የእግዚአብሔር** God through **ዐሠየእግዚአብሔር** HaMashiach will judge the secret thoughts of all.

(John 5:28-29 AMP)

²⁸ Do not be surprised at this; for a time is coming when all those who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ²⁹ and they will come out—those who did good things [will come out] to a resurrection of [new] life, but those who did evil things [will come out] to a resurrection of judgment [that is, to be sentenced].

Revelation 20:5,12 NIV

⁵ (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection.

¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.

Article 15

We believe that faith in **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach is necessary for salvation. However, we do not believe that simply by professing faith in the Lord **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach is enough for the attainment of salvation. One is not justified by faith alone and not even by the work of the law but most of all we will be justified with the Grace of **ʿayyʿ** in HaMashiach. True faith in **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach is manifested by works or by obeying the teachings of the Lord **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach and by the GRACE of **ʿayyʿ** (James 2:18-24 NKJV).

Article 16

We believe that insofar as we carefully live by the teachings of **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach, we cannot avoid the persecution and hatred of the world. We also believe, however, that by overcoming persecution, we will receive the promised rest of **ʿayyʿ**'s eternal life (John 15:18-25 NKJV).

Article 17

We believe that membership in the Church of **owʿayyʿ** is not enough for salvation (and it is not through the registry implemented by its elders but by the confirmation only of its rightful owners **ʿayyʿ** the Father and **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach, **ʿayyʿ**'s son. What the Lord **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach requires from those who are in His Church (Movement) is a renewal of life. Hence, true Followers of **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach must reject the ways of the flesh and the ways of the world and uphold a YAHUSHAN way of life (2 Corinthians 5:17 AMP) ¹⁷Therefore if anyone is in **owʿayyʿ** HaMashiach [that is, grafted in, joined to

Him by faith in Him as Savior], *he is* a new creature [reborn and renewed by the Holy Spirit]; the old things [the previous moral and spiritual condition] have passed away. Behold, new things have come [because spiritual awakening brings a new life].

Article 18

We believe that **ጸገጸገ** our God commands followers of **ዐግጸጸ** HaMashiach to contribute and give thanksgiving offerings to support the needs of the movement or the needs of the Church. By fulfilling these obligations, a good foundation is laid up for the attainment of eternal life (Hebrews 13:15-16 AMP, Mark 12:41-44 AMP, 1 Corinthians 16:2 GNT).

Article 19

We believe that the Lord **ዐግጸጸ** HaMashiach instituted the brotherhood inside the Church of **ዐግጸጸ** (YAHUSHA) so that we will love and edify one another. By this love, we are obligated to forgive those who wrong us just as **ጸገጸገ** our God has forgiven us through the Lord **ዐግጸጸ** HaMashiach. We believe that true forgiveness is manifested in peaceful reconciliation among brethren who may have offended each other (Matthew 18:15-17 GNT, 1 Peter 2:17 AMP, Matthew 18:21-35 GNT).

Article 20

We believe that some of **ጸገጸገ**'s prohibitions implemented during the Old Testament also apply during our time. Among these prohibitions are the prohibition from eating blood (Acts 21:25 AMP) ²⁵ But with regard to the Gentiles who have believed [in HaMashiach], we have sent them a letter with our decision that they should abstain from meat sacrificed to idols and from [consuming] blood and from [the meat of] what has been strangled and from sexual immorality.”), marriage with unbelievers (2 Corinthians 6:14-16 AMP) ¹⁴ Do not be unequally bound together with unbelievers [do not

make mismatched alliances with them, inconsistent with your faith]. For what partnership can righteousness have with lawlessness? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? ¹⁵ What harmony can there be between HaMashiach and Belial (Satan)? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? ¹⁶ What agreement is there between the temple of $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ God and idols? For we are the temple of the living $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ God; just as $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ God said: "I WILL DWELL AMONG THEM AND WALK AMONG THEM; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.), and disrespecting one's parents (Ephesians 6:1-4 AMP Children, obey your parents in the Lord [that is, accept their guidance and discipline as His representatives], for this is right [for obedience teaches wisdom and self-discipline]. ² HONOR [esteem, value as precious] YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER [and be respectful to them]—this is the first commandment with a promise— ³ SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY HAVE A LONG LIFE ON THE EARTH. ⁴ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to the point of resentment with demands that are trivial or unreasonable or humiliating or abusive; nor by showing favoritism or indifference to any of them], but bring them up [tenderly, with lovingkindness] in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.)

Article 21

We believe that baptism is necessary for one to become a follower of $\omega\aleph\aleph\aleph$ HaMashiach, receive forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38 AMP ³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent [change your old way of thinking, turn from your sinful ways, accept and follow $\omega\aleph\aleph\aleph$ as the Messiah] and be baptized, each of you, in the name of $\omega\aleph\aleph\aleph$ HaMashiach because of the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.), and to attain salvation (Mark 16:15-16 AMP ¹⁵ And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. ¹⁶ He who has believed [in Me] and has been baptized will be saved [from the penalty of $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ God's wrath and judgment]; but he who has not believed will be condemned.). This baptism must be done in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Bible.

Article 22

We believe that it is the responsibility of all believers and followers of $\omega\aleph\aleph\aleph$ HaMashiach to do missionary work or share their faith with others (not to impose) (Matthew 5:14 and 16 AMP ¹⁴ "You are the light of [HaMashiach to] the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; ¹⁶ Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good deeds *and* moral excellence, and [recognize and honor and] glorify your Father who is in heaven.)

Article 23

We believe that prayer is vital in upholding a YAHUSHAN life. Through prayer a believer or a follower of **owYaq** HaMashiach can praise **Yaq**, triumph over temptations, make requests from **Yaq** our God and receive healing for all sicknesses. For prayer to be effective, we believe that faith is necessary.

Article 24

We believe that unity is **Yaq**'s teaching and that division within the Church is evil in the eyes of **Yaq**. This unity is observed in all its works in the service of **Yaq**.

Article 25

We believe that **Yaq** our God has set a Day of Judgment (Acts 17:31 AMP ³¹because He has set a day when He will judge the *inhabited* world in righteousness by a Man whom He has appointed *and* destined for that task, and He has provided credible proof to everyone by raising Him from the dead.) which will take place not on the second advent of **owYaq** HaMashiach but after His 1000-Year reign here on earth (the Millennial Kingdom). (Revelations 20:5, 11-12 AMP ⁵The rest of the dead [the non-believers] did not come to life again until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection. ¹¹And I saw a great white throne and Him who was seated upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them [for this heaven and earth are passing away]. ¹²And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is *the Book* of Life; and the dead were judged according to what they had done as written in the books [that is, everything done while on earth].)

We also believe that the salvation of the true believers of **owYaq** HaMashiach (YAHUSHANS) will take place on the day of the first resurrection and not on the day of Judgement. This is also the great day when the true

believers and followers of **ዐሠኅእኅ** HaMashiach (inside the Church of **ዐሠኅእኅ**) whom He already recognized as His will meet Him in the clouds and will enter the Holy City the New Yerushalaim (Jerusalem) for the wedding of the Lamb to his Bride will take place (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 AMP) ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will come down from heaven with a shout of command, with the voice of the ^[b]archangel and with the [blast of the] trumpet of **እኅእኅ** God, and the dead in HaMashiach will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain [on the earth] will *simultaneously* be caught up (raptured) together with them [the resurrected ones] in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord!).

Article 26

The Christ or HaMashiach (meaning the Messiah) is the title of **ዐሠኅእኅ** not His name. **ዐሠኅእኅ** is the only name for salvation and his Title is HaMashiach (Acts 2:36 NKJV) ³⁶ “Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that **እኅእኅ** God has made this **ዐሠኅእኅ**, whom you crucified, both **Lord and HaMashiach.**”.

Article 27

Whoever violates the aforementioned Articles in this declaration of faith, we must warn the person one-on-one. If they refuse to change then warn them a second time with a witness. If they still refuse to change then bring it to the leaders and counselors, if they still refuse to change then they will be removed. Matthew 18:15-17 GNT) ¹⁵ “If your brother sins against you,^[e] go to him and show him his fault. But do it privately, just between yourselves. If he listens to you, you have won your brother back. ¹⁶ But if he will not listen to you, take one or two other persons with you, so that ‘every accusation may be upheld by the testimony of two or more witnesses,’ as the scripture says. ¹⁷ And if he will not listen to them, then tell the whole thing to the church. Finally, if he will not listen to the church, treat him as though he were a pagan or a tax collector. (Titus 3:10-11 GNT) ¹⁰ Give at least two warnings to those who cause divisions, and then have nothing more to do with them. ¹¹ You know that such people are corrupt, and their sins prove that they are wrong. (1 Corinthians 5:11-13 AMP) ¹¹ But actually, I have written to you not to associate with any so-called [YAHUSHAN] brother if he is sexually immoral or greedy, or is an idolater [devoted to

anything that takes the place of אלהים God], or is a reviler [who insults or slanders or otherwise verbally abuses others], or is a drunkard or a swindler—you must not so much as ^{eat}eat with such a person. ¹² For what business is it of mine to judge outsiders (non-believers)? Do you not judge those who are within *the church* [to protect the church as the situation requires]? ¹³ אלהים God *alone* sits in judgment on those who are outside [the faith]. REMOVE THE WICKED ONE FROM AMONG YOU [expel him from your church].

Note:

Subject for revision as we continue to learn Biblical truths revealed by אלהים through the Holy Spirit.