

MEMBERSHIP SERMON SERIES

Part 2: STATEMENTS (Various Verses)

WHO ARE WE?

UCM is an international, interdenominational, English-speaking church.

1. WHAT WE BELIEVE

Belief Statement: **The Apostles' Creed**

2. WHAT WE HOPE FOR

Vision Statement: *We are a church of **All Nations, United, Centered, & Maturing in Christ.***

ALL NATIONS

Rev 7:9

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from **every nation, tribe, people** and **language**, standing before the throne and before the Lamb [Jesus].

Deut 10:19

you are to **love** those who are **foreigners**, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt.

Mt 25:35

For I was a **stranger** and you **invited** me in,

UNITED in Christ

Eph 1:9-10

9 God made known to us the mystery of his **will**, according to his **purpose**, which he set forth in Christ, 10 as a **plan** for the fullness of time, to **unite all things in Christ**, things in heaven and things on earth.

John 17:20-23

20 My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 21 that all of them **may be one**, Father, *just* as you are *in* me and I am in you. May they also be in us so *that* the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they **may be one** as we are **one**: 23 I *in* them and you *in* me. **May they be brought to complete unity** to let the world know that you **sent** me and have **loved** them even as you have loved me.



CENTERED in Christ

John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who **remain in me** and I ***in*** them, will bear much fruit.

Eph 3:16-19

16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he ***may strengthen*** you with ***power*** through his Spirit in your **inner being**, 17 ***so that*** Christ may ***dwell in*** your **hearts** through faith. And I pray that you, being **rooted** and **established** in **love**, 18 ***may have power***, together with all the saints, to ***grasp*** how wide and long and high and deep is the **love** of Christ, 19 and ***to know*** this **love** that surpasses knowledge ***so that*** you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

MATURING in Christ

Eph 4:13

until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become **mature**, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Rom 8:28-29

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his **purpose**. 29 ***For*** those God foreknew he also predestined **to be conformed to the likeness of his Son**.

2 Cor 3:18

We are being ***transformed into his likeness*** with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

3. WHAT WE DO

Mission Statement: ***make disciples of all nations*** (Mt 28:19)

Mt 28:18-20

18 Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

19 ***Therefore go and make*** disciples of all nations, ***baptizing*** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and ***teaching*** them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

