

## Mission

IFBC exists to connect, encourage, and equip members to advance authentic faith in Jesus everywhere, to the glory of God.

## Method

- Champion orthodox Wesleyan doctrine and practice.
- Pursue global vision.
- Enhance ministry capabilities.
- Build biblical community.
- Simplify governance.
- Plant churches.

## Vision

- A viable IFBC Church in every city, town and village in the world.

## Distinctives

- Wesleyan-Arminian theology, practice, and interpretive model.
- Interdependent and connectional without IFBC ownership or control.
- Voice and vote in International Assemblies for all IFBC churches and ministers in good standing.
- Simple governmental structure (see inside panel) and reporting.
- Ordination track for both men and women in ministry.
- No required pastoral itinerancy.
- Moderate financial contribution for IFBC operational expense.



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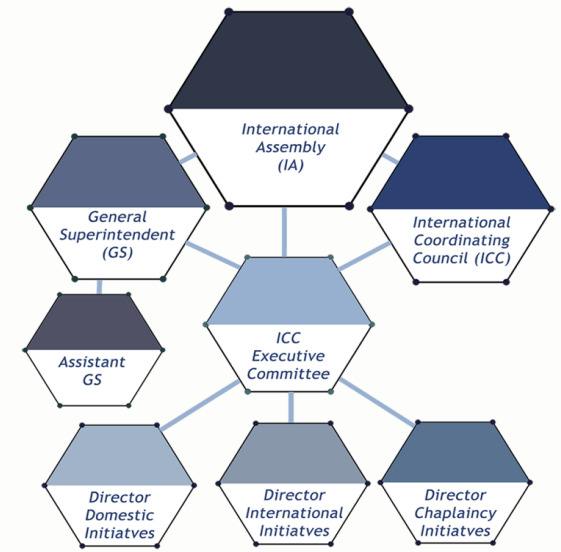
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# Quick-Start Summary of IFBC Doctrine

More complete information at [www.ifbc.org/publications](http://www.ifbc.org/publications). Click on Handbook

- Triune God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit — three persons in one essence.
- God revealing Himself in creation, Scripture, and in the man Christ Jesus.
- Plenary inspiration, inerrancy, sufficiency, and final authority of the Christian Scriptures.
- Fall and total (extensive) depravity of humanity, resulting in the universal need of a Divine Savior.
- Preliminary (preventive) grace which enables people to receive and obey the Gospel, thus preventing irrecoverable loss of their eternal souls.
- Freedom of human will to resist and/or reject divine grace, either before or after being born again.
- Universal atonement, resulting in Salvation (eternal life) as available to all who believe, by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone.
- Witness of the Spirit as the direct personal assurance from the Holy Spirit to born again believers that they are indeed the children of God.
- Balance between law and grace, avoiding extremes of both lawlessness (antinomianism) and legalism.
- The instantaneous and continually active grace of sanctification of the believer in his/her entirety, resulting in holiness of heart and life and lifelong growth in grace.
- Christian perfection as maturation in sanctification — or perfect love — the state of loving God with all the heart, soul, mind and strength, and loving others as Christ loves us.
- Christian maturity marked by conformity to the character and will of Christ in all things.
- Christ's return and the Global expansion and final triumph of God's eternal kingdom on earth.



## Organizational Structure

- Ultimate authority for IFBC governance rests with the delegates voting at the biennial International Assembly (IA).
- The ICC is comprised of 10 elders and 10 lay members who are elected to four-year terms. The ICC meets between Assemblies to conduct IFBC operations.
- The IA elects the GS to four-year terms. The GS chairs Assemblies and ICC meetings and carries out the will of the Assembly.
- IFBC ministers, churches and organizations enjoy great freedom in implementing their purpose and mission, and their contribution to IFBC's overall vision and mission.