

IS THE UNTITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH A CHRISTIAN CHURCH?

This is a question sometimes asked.

Let us address this.

The tag "United" in United Pentecostal signifies a merging between 2 existing Pentecostal organizations in the 1940's, the Pentecostal Church Incorporated and the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ merged.

The tag "Pentecostal" indicates a relationship to the early church.

Pentecost was the 50th day after Christ was crucified.

It was on the day of Pentecost that the Christian church began, which was marked by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Acts chapter 2. In response to this perceived foolishness the surrounding people began to mock them saying they are drunk. In response to these accusations the Apostle Peter said:

14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

Acts 2:14-16 KJV

Jesus said of his Apostles in John 17:20

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through [the Apostles]their word;

John 17:20 KJV

In keeping the Christ's and his Apostles Teaching, the church then becomes an inheritor of the First Churches banner.

While the tag "Pentecostal" does not guarantee a Pentecostal church in question is following the concepts of the 1st church, for Satan himself will cause all kinds of falseness to arise, the tag "Pentecostal" indicates that the church claims indeed to be a Christian church.

The tag "Church" of course indicates the Greek word ecclesia.

In the New Testament it is the translation of the Greek word ecclesia, which is synonymous with the Hebrew kahal of the Old Testament, both words meaning simply an assembly, the character of which can only be known from the connection in which the word is found.

The United Pentecostal Church holds to the teaches of Jesus Christ and his Apostles so the answer to the question is YES!

The United Pentecostal Church IS a Christian church.

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