

# Some “Earmarks” of the Church

## ORGANIZATION

- No central organization on earth
- Headquarters is in Heaven
- No ecclesiastical organization of any kind
- Each congregation has its own elders
- Each congregation has its own deacons

## AUTONOMY OF CONGREGATIONS

- Each congregation exists independent of all others congregations in that one does not control another.
- Congregations fellowship and work together, each under the guidance of its own elders
- Non-denominastional

## OBEDIENT PERSONS ARE ADDED TO THE CHURCH BY CHRIST

- Acts 2:47

## WORSHIPS ARE PRACTICED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

- **Prayer** - Acts 2:42
- **Preaching & teaching** - Acts 20:7
- **Singing** - Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16
- **Lord’s Supper** (Every Lord’s Day) - 1 Corinthians 11:24-25
- **Giving** - 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

## TEACHES THE PLAN OF SALVATION FOUND IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

- Hear the Gospel - Romans 10:14
- Believe (Faith) - Hebrews 11:6  
Romans 10:17
- Repentance - Luke 13:3, 5  
Acts 2:38
- Confess Christ - Matthew 10:32-33
- Bapism (immersion) for the remission of sins - Acts 2:38,  
Acts 22;16,  
1 Peter 3:21

