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
• Baptism (immersion) for the remission of sins - Acts 2:38,
  Acts 22:16,
  1 Peter 3:21