THE NAVIGATORS ...BASIC BELIEFS...

We begin with the twin foundation stones of all evangelical Christianity – Ephesians 2:20.

- 1. Jesus Christ is the Son of God and therefore LORD Colossians 1:15-20.
- 2. The Bible is the Word of God and therefore our final authority II Timothy 3:16.
 - "...God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ Himself as the chief cornerstone" Ephesians 2:19,20 (NIV)

"I am a companion of all them that fear Thee, and of them that keep Thy precepts." –

Psalm 119:63

It is with such people that we take our stand.

From that foundation grow the following as of 1976:

3. The Sovereign Grace of God.

All ministry must originate with Him. All increase comes from Him. The prayer of faith appropriates His promises. The response of faith obeys His commands.

- --Matthew 15:13; Romans 4:20,21; Romans 12:1-3
- 4. The Importance of Every Individual.

Every individual is important and of worth by virtue of what he is as a being created in the image of God and by virtue of what he can be under the transforming power of the Holy Spirit.

- --II Corinthians 5:17; I Peter 2:9
- 5. Our Task is to Serve.

Serving others for Jesus' sake, with humility, sacrifice, with righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

- --II Corinthians 4:5; Philippians 2:3,4; Romans 14:17,18
- 6. The Necessity of Example.

Pace-setting. Showing the way. Preach what you practice. Reduce the disparity between what we do and what we teach.

- --I Timothy 4:12; I Thessalonians 1:7; Matthew 23:4; Philippians 4:9; II Timothy 3:10
- 7. Our Standard is Excellence.

The best that I can be. My utmost for His highest. Hardworking. We <u>must</u> be excellent; we are so few in such a big world.

--Galatians 6:4,5; I Peter 4:11; Colossians 1:29; Isaiah 60:22; I Corinthians 9:24-27

NOTE: Standard - "denotes a means of determining what a thing should be"

- "a definite rule, principle or measure established by authority"