

Upcoming Vote at the Annual Meeting regarding Minor Revision to the EFCA Statement of Faith

At the 2019 Conference, the EFCA Board of Directors officially voted to amend Article Nine “Christ’s Return” of the Statement of Faith (SOF) to replace the word “premillennial” with “glorious” in reference to the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The previous language in the SOF since 2008 had been: \

“We believe in the personal, bodily and premillennial return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission.”

The amended language as of 2019 is:

“We believe in the personal, bodily and glorious return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission.’

Resources from the EFCA:

- Here’s a link to download a .pdf - “The Proposal to Amend our Statement of Faith: A Rationale for the Change”, posted on the EFCA website: [Proposal to amend EFCA Statement of Faith.pdf](#)
- Here’s a link to watch the SOF FAQ session hosted at the 2019 Theology Conference at Trinity International University: [EFCA Statement of Faith Q&A](#)
- And, here’s a link to the full SOF: [EFCA Statement of Faith 2019](#)

The EFCA has asked all of its churches to consider adopting this revised Statement of Faith, which we will be voting on at the upcoming (virtual) Annual Meeting. If you have any questions - about the process, the revision in particular, or the actual ballot, please feel free to email elders@firstfree.com.