Kenaston EMC (Church on the Hill) Core Statements

PURPOSE:

To know God, and to make Him known.

Two-Fold:

First . . . To personally develop my own relationship with God.

Then ... to share my quality relationship with a person who needs to know God like I do.

MISSION:

To let the people of our community know they are important and that God desires a relationship with them by including them in worship and fellowship; and by showing them that they are truly loved by God and his church through actions which put their needs ahead of our own.

(a mission statement that is planted outside the church...)

VISION:

Making Relationships Real God — Family — Community

CORE VALUES

PEOPLE:

- All people have been created by God, and are deeply loved by Him.
- All people have sinned and become separated from God.
- All people need to know Jesus as Savior and Lord.
- All people can be forgiven and enter into a growing relationship with God.
- All people have gifts to contribute to the work God has called us to do.

CHURCH:

- The church is a place to teach seeking people God's Word.
- The church is a place where God's people are empowered to do his work.
- The church is a place where God's love and goodness is celebrated.
- The church is a place where people share, care, and bear one another's needs as a family of faith.

TEAMWORK:

- Teamwork combines the diversity of spiritual gifts and talents of people in ministry.
- Teamwork recognizes dependence on each other and God.
- Teamwork provides for the maximizing of resources.
- Teamwork creates a well thought out and effective ministry.

LEARNING:

- Learning starts with a mind open to learning new things.
- Learning leads to desired change.
- Learning leads to knowledge and wisdom.
- Learning leads to closer relationships.
- Learning leads to development of creativity and life skills.
- Learning leads to faithfulness to Biblical essentials.

INTEGRITY:

- Integrity is grounded in the trustworthy character of God.
- Governs the strategies, actions and programs that are used for ministry.
- Ensures the proper use of time, money and energy.

GROWTH:

- The Scriptures call for every church to grow through evangelism.
- The Scriptures call for every believer to grow in spiritual maturity.
- The Scriptures call for every believer to be involved in growing disciples.

CONNECTIONALISM:

- Shares a common Christian Theology and membership covenant that embraces people from other evangelical denominations.
- Builds healthy inter family cooperation and support.
- Allows for diverse approaches in accomplishing our common vision and mission.