

Christian Home Educators Fellowship of Faulkner County (CHEF)

STATEMENT OF FAITH

As members of CHEF, we believe that Jesus Christ, the only begotten son of God, suffered and died on the cross for our sins, rose bodily from the dead, and is Lord of all eternally. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, the only true guide for thought, word, and deed. We believe that all true believers bear with one another in love, united by the Holy Spirit in one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all.

The essence of this statement includes four elements:

1. personal faith in Jesus Christ and His work on our behalf
2. personal faith in the Bible as the revealed Word of God
3. personal commitment to love our brothers as ourselves
4. personal commitment to the body of Christ

Article II Definition and Purpose

I. Definition

CHEF is a Christian organization serving home schooling families in the Faulkner County area providing particular support to families affiliated with CHEF - of which are like-minded Christian home educating families dedicated to observing the Biblical commands of Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Proverbs 22:6, and Ephesians 6:4. CHEF is not a church, nor is this organization meant to replace the ministry of the local church to the home educating family. CHEF shall not mandate or monitor the specific home school activities of the member families including curriculum, performance, or testing.

II. Statement of Purpose

CHEF is organized for the purpose of serving local home schooling families in and near Faulkner County in, but not limited to, the following ways:

- A. To provide mutual support and encouragement by home educators for home educators. This support includes sharing of knowledge between home educators by means of formal and informal discussions consisting of teaching, training, seminars, lending library, etc.
- B. To enable home schooling families to participate in activities that would be more difficult to do on their own, such as field trips, cooperative learning experiences, plays, etc.
- C. To promote the advantages of home education to the general public through our presence, letters, support, and activities.
- D. To advance the cause of Jesus Christ by encouraging parents to raise up a godly generation through spiritual and academic training in the home.
- E. To provide information regarding the political climate of home education in Arkansas and in our nation.