

## Statement of Faith



# The Real Tree Archers

## Central Virginia Chapter of the Christian Bowhunters of America

Genesis 27:3, Isaac said to Esau (KJV)  
*“Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and bow, and go out to the field, and take me some venison and make me some savory meal that I love.”*

The Real Tree Archers is a non-denominational, non-profit, Central Virginia Chapter of the Christian Bowhunters of America.

Our purpose is to expand the ministry of the CBA to the bowhunters and archery enthusiasts of our area.

We want to share the love, joy and peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to men and women through the art of archery

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**1. The Word of God** - we believe in the Word of God, fully inspired and without error in the original manuscripts, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and it has supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct. *II Peter 1:20-21*

**2. The Trinity** - We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons; that these are equal in every divine perfection, and that they execute distinct but harmonious offices in the work of creation, providence and redemption. *Deut. 6:4; II Cor. 13:14*

**3. God The Father** - We believe in God the Father, an infinite, personal spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love. We believe He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men, that He hears and answers a prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ. *John 3:16; I Tim. 2:5; Eph. 4:6*

**4. Jesus Christ** - We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived of the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles and teachings. We believe in His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into Heaven, perpetual intercession for His People, and personal, visible return to earth. *Matthew 1:20, 21; I Timothy 2:5, 6; Acts 1:9-11*

**5. Holy Spirit** - We believe in the Holy Spirit who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ and that He is an abiding helper, teacher and guide. *John 14:16-17; 16:8-11; Acts 1:8*

**6. Regeneration** - We believe all men are sinners by nature and by choice, and are, therefore, under condemnation. We believe those who repent of their sins and trust Jesus Christ as Savior are regenerated by the Holy Spirit. *Romans 3:23; I John 1:9, Eph. 2:8*

**7. Christian Conduct** - We believe Christian should live for the glory of God and the well being of his fellowman; that his conduct should be blameless before the world; that he should be a faithful steward of his possessions; and that he should seek to realize for himself and others the full stature of maturity in Christ. *Phil. 3:10; Gal. 5:16, 22-25; James 1:27*

**8. Religious Liberty** - We believe that every human being has direct access to God and is responsible to God alone in all matters of faith. *Heb. 10:18-22*

**9. Church Cooperation** - We believe in the universal church, a living spiritual body of which Christ is the head and all regenerated persons are members. We believe in the local church and encourage every believer, as part of God's family to regularly attend the fellowship of His church. *Ps. 122:1; I Peter 2:5; Col. 1:18*

**10. Christian Witness** - We believe every believer has a scriptural mandate to share his life of faith with Christ. We believe the only Christ many will ever see is the Christ they see in us, thereby making our personal lives the most powerful influence for effective Christian witness. *Matt. 5:16, 28:19-20; John 20:21*

**11. The last Things** - We believe in the personal and visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth and the establishment of His kingdom. We believe in the resurrection of the body, the final judgment, the eternal joy of the righteous and endless suffering of the wicked. *Rev. 22:12; Thes. 4:16-17; Luke 16:22-25*

**12. Satan and Hell** - We believe in the personality of Satan, the prince and power of this world and his ultimate defeat by Jesus Christ. We believe in a literal hell, a place prepared for Satan and his followers. *I Peter 5:8; Eph. 2:2; Matt. 25:41*

**13. Creation and View of Hunting** - We believe God created the cosmos and the planet earth as a beautiful habitation for mankind. We believe man, God's special creation was given dominion over the earth, to partake of and govern all its resources wisely. We further believe that the art of hunting with the bow and arrow is a time proven means of human survival and resource management and that it is in harmony with the divine plan. *Gen. 1:1-3, 9:2-3, 10:9, 27:3*

## Central Virginia Chapter of Christian Bowhunters of America Membership *“The Real Tree Archers”*

(Membership not available to non-residents of Virginia)  
 (Please Print)

Name.....  
 Mailing Address.....  
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 Zip Code.....  
 Phone..(.....).....  
 Email.....

[ ] I have read the Statement of Faith, signed the membership covenant and wish to be granted membership in RTA.

<b>INDIVIDUAL</b>	<b>FAMILY</b>	<b>This Membership is:</b>
[ ] 1 year \$20	[ ] 1 year \$30	[ ] New
[ ] 2 years \$35	[ ] 2 years \$50	[ ] Renewal
[ ] Youth (under 16) 1 year \$10	[ ] Gift membership	
[ ] Youth (under 16) 2 years \$15	[ ] Address change	
[ ] Gift membership \$20 (for someone else)		
[ ] 1year membership RTA membership and CBA \$50		
[ ] My gift to help support the ministry of RTA \$.....		

Check #..... Total \$.....

### Membership Covenant

I have received Jesus as Savior of my life (*Romans 10:9-12*) and hereby wish to make this public expression of my faith. I agree with the Statement of Faith of CBA and this Chapter and will uphold its Biblical policies and Christian practices to the glory of God. I will uphold the Laws of the Land and fellow Christian ethics in all my hunting.

Signed.....  
 Date.....

Make Checks Payable to: The Real Tree Archers  
 Mail to: 789 Deer Crossing Lane, Orange, VA 22960