

INTRODUCTION - HERC'S VISION

The Home Educators' Resource Center was formed in 1998 to help Christian families who feel called by God to privately homeschool their children, by providing resources that might otherwise be difficult for them to obtain. HERC's mission has remained the same for the past 20 years - to come alongside these parents and help them train their children in the way they should go. HERC is not a school, nor does it intend to take the place of a school. We believe that parents have the God-given responsibility to be the primary teachers of their children, and the home is their school.

HERC is a not-for-profit corporation run by a board of volunteers. We do not accept any funds from, nor are we obligated to, any government agency. We are blessed to have a facility provided for us by Calvary Chapel Bakersfield and maintained by volunteer labor. The only income HERC receives is from annual fees paid by the families who participate in HERC programs, and the fees that independently-contracted tutors pay for the privilege of teaching classes in our facilities. We are also blessed to receive donations from our friends and supporters (since we are a 501(c)3 corporation, these are tax deductible).

To ensure that like-minded families are involved in HERC, we ask that our members (tutors, volunteers, parents and students) sign the following statement of faith:

We believe that the Holy Scripture, in its entirety, is the inspired Word of God, wholly without error. We believe in one God in three persons—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ and that by His death on the cross He and He alone is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world. We believe that on the third day our Lord Jesus Christ rose bodily from the grave, ensuring the resurrection of all believers who have received God's free gift of eternal life. We believe that our Lord Jesus Christ will soon return to this earth to set up His kingdom and will judge the world in righteousness. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells all who receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. We believe that all who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ are called to be in the world but to be separate from it. We believe that Christians are called to witness for Christ, to preach the gospel to all nations, and to study the Word of God personally through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

For more details, please see our complete ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENTS AND POLICIES, including Educational Philosophy with supporting scriptures, on our website www.hercbakersfield.org.