## Membership with our Chapter



We offer membership in the RTA if you are a Christian and a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia and would like to be a part of this wonderful, God led Ministry.

If you are a Christian Archer and don't feel led to be a member of this local chapter but would like to join the National Organization of the Christian Bowhunters of America (CBA), we offer a membership with them as well.

As a Member of the RTA, we have established a standard of morals for our Chapter in the form of By-Laws. We have also adopted and adhere to the Statement of Faith that has been established by the CBA.

#### Statement of Faith

- I. 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 merficully 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; 17im. 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; 1 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 trus 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; Gol. 5:16, 22-25; lames 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; 1 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. 35:41
- 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





## The REAL Tree Archers

# Central Virginia Chapter of the Christian Bowhunters of America

#### 1 Peter 2:24 (NKJV)

"who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed."

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.

#### www.RealTreeArchers.com

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### **About Us**

The RTA is a group of devout Christians that have accepted Jesus Christ as our personal Savior and have the burning desire to share His love and grace to the Archery Community. We believe that "ALL have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God!" and the only way to Him is through the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ.

Our purpose and goal is to share about Jesus Christ by being the "Real Tree Archers", witnessing and handing out literature about at events throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia that also promotes Archery and Bow Hunting. We adhere to the Statement of Faith that was established by the Christian Bowhunters of America (CBA).

We are currently meeting every January, April, July, and October at Mountain View Community Church in Culpeper, Virginia. Check our website for dates and times.

### **Activities**

We have partnered with Hoffman Archery at their 3D shoots; we support a local churches in their Centershot ministry.



We take advantage of opportunities to minister at local and regional events; participating in game dinners and outdoor events. We set up our newest ministry tool, the Hoverball target, to introduce youths and first timers to the sport of archery.



## Membership Form "The Real Tree Archers"

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

Name
Mailing Address
Zip:
Phone()
Email
[] I have read the Statement of Faith, signed the membership covenant and wish to be granted membership in RTA.
INDIVIDUAL FAMILY Membership is:  [] 1 year \$20
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 th 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

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