



ARTICLE II - Mission and Statement of Beliefs

A. Purpose and Vision

1. The purpose of the Youth ARCHIVE is to support the spiritual, mental, and emotional health of all local youth by providing a safe and healthy place to socialize and engage in a variety of creative and educational activities under the supervision of mature adults. The corporation's name may be understood as an acronym: Youth Activity Resource Center • Hope, Integrity, Veritas, Education

B. Belief Statement

1. The underlying religious convictions of all directors and volunteers in this organization may be summarized by “The 5 Solas” of the Protestant Reformation:
 - **Sola Scriptura (Only Scripture):** The Holy Bible alone is the basis for truth, wisdom, divine commandments, Christian doctrine, and healthy thought & conduct. (Luke 24:27)
 - **Sola Christus (Only Christ):** Jesus Christ is the Son of God who now sits at God's right hand. He is the one and only mediator/priest between God and man. No one can honestly come to God without first acknowledging Jesus as God's equal (John 10:30) who willingly sacrificed himself to pay the penalty for our sin. He was raised to life after 3 days entombed thereby blazing a path to eternal life for all who follow him. (Colossians 2:9)
 - **Sola Gratia (Only Grace):** Believers are justified and made worthy to be with God only because God sovereignly chose us before the creation of the world. We contribute nothing to our own salvation; it is a gracious gift of God. (Ephesians 2:8-9)
 - **Sola Fide (Only Faith):** Our salvation from sin is evident as we walk by faith in Jesus Christ – a faith that expresses itself in a daily trust in the promises and prophecies of God (in scripture). Possessors of genuine faith enjoy doing a variety of good works because we feel God's pleasure in our obedience to his leading. (Romans 3:27)
 - **Soli Deo Gloria (Glory only to God):** All glory and honor belong to God alone. A Spirit-led Christian enjoys doing good deeds and will spontaneously credit God who makes everything possible. We do not call attention to our own virtues; we celebrate the awe-inspiring power and goodness of God. (Psalm 103, Romans 1:21)
2. Directors and volunteers should be eager to listen and be cheerleaders for teenagers. We strive to speak truth at all times; truth that is established by the testimony of witnesses. Any counsel shall take the form of personal witness testimony and the exposition of relevant Scripture (Deuteronomy 19:15) which is also witness testimony. We strive to guide conversations away from unproven theories - however popular they may be. (Jeremiah 17:5-10, 2 Chronicles 18)