

**BYLAWS OF
Home Education After Righteous Teaching, Inc.**

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be Home Education After Righteous Teaching, Inc.

ARTICLE II MEETINGS/LOCATIONS

Section 1: Meetings of the members, Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as Board), subgroups and/or committees will be held at designated times and locations following proper notification.

Section 2: Two annual meetings of the general membership of this corporation shall be held at a time and place to be determined by the Board. Notification of time and location shall be a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to said meeting.

Section 3: Methods of notifications shall include one or more of the following: mail, telephone, fax, or e-mail.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, to encourage home education which centers around Biblical principles; to provide assistance and mutual support for parents and children of home educated households in the areas of spiritual, academic, and character development and to strengthen the family unit by providing positive fellowship, exchange of ideas, resources, and information important to homeschooling; to organize activities such as field trips, parties, co-op classes, seminars and clubs, all within the meaning of Section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, either directly or through other charitable organizations.

ARTICLE IV STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe:

1. The Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, to be the only inspired Word of God, without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of men and the Divine and final authority for all Christian faith and life.
2. In one God, Creator of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. That Jesus Christ is the true God and true man, having been conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He died on the cross and was sacrificed for our sins according to the Scriptures. Further,

He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into Heaven, where at the right hand of God the Father, He now is our High Priest and Advocate.

4. That the ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and to convict men, regenerate the believing sinner, indwell, guide, instruct, and empower the believer for godly living and service.

5. That man was created in the image of God, but fell into sin and is therefore lost and only through regeneration by the Holy Spirit can salvation and spiritual life be obtained.

6. That the shed blood of Jesus Christ and his resurrection provide the only ground for justification and salvation for all who believe, and such as receive Jesus Christ are born of the Holy Spirit, and thus become children of God.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP

Membership is offered to those families who agree with the above purpose and statement of faith, and any future policies adopted by the membership. Parents/guardians shall insure compliance with applicable Florida statutes pertaining to their child/children's home education.

Applicants shall submit a completed application to the Chairman of the Board or the Chairman's designee. Applications will be considered for approval by majority vote of the officers or an alternative method which has been adopted by the membership and included in a policy manual.

Members shall annually confirm their continued commitment to this corporation's purposes and statement of faith via renewal forms.

ARTICLE VI QUORUM

All decisions by the membership which require a vote shall as a minimum require that a quorum of the membership be in attendance. A quorum is 20 percent of the registered membership. Each family is considered a single member and is entitled to a single vote.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP REMOVAL

This corporation's members are encouraged to follow biblical principals of God's Word in efforts to resolve differences. This shall also be the preferred method of addressing a member's noncompliance with the bylaws. Members may be removed upon a two-thirds majority vote of the members in attendance at a regular or special meeting which has been called for said purpose by the Chairman of the Board. The member cited with removal charges shall be notified by certified mail at least ten (10) days prior to said regular or special meeting at which time the removal motion is to be heard with a complaint which shall set forth in particular the reasons for the removal charge. This same method shall be utilized for removal of officers. In such event that a

member/members bring removal charges against the chairman, the vice chairman shall be the recipient of charges and assume the responsibility of notifying the chairman and presiding over the meeting for consideration of removal.

ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIP DUES

Annual membership dues shall be determined by majority vote of the quorum in attendance at a meeting prior to the beginning of the school year. A quorum is 20 percent of the total membership.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS/BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: The outgoing chairman shall, no fewer than thirty (30) days prior to expiration of officer's terms of office, call a meeting for the purpose of electing officers. The term of office following elections will be one (1) year. Officers can serve a maximum of three (3) consecutive years, regardless of position(s) held, and may be considered for re-election following at least one year off the board. (As amended May 2009).

Section 2: It shall be the responsibility of the outgoing chairman to open the meeting, and the first order of business shall be the election of officers in the following order: chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, new member liaison, and activities coordinator, followed by any other business which may come before the membership. The board shall include, but not be limited to, five (5) officers. An officer can only hold one position on the board.

Section 3: A) The election of the officers and filling of vacancies (in cases of resignation or removal) shall be by ballot. In the event there is but one nomination for any officer or office, the ballot may be dispensed with by majority vote of the membership. All nominations shall be from the floor. No ballot shall be preprinted with the name of any candidate. In case of a board vacancy the Chairman has authority to appoint someone, with board approval, to fill that position for the remainder of that term.

B) Each family shall be allowed one vote.

C) The chairman shall appoint two officers and two randomly selected members for counting votes. Nominations, voting and counting votes shall be completed for each position prior to accepting nominations for the remaining positions.

Section 4: In the event the chairman is unable to continue his/her duties, the vice chairman, secretary or treasurer, in that order, temporarily assumes the duties of the chairman and must within sixty (60) days hold an election for the purpose of filling the vacancy. All vacancies shall be filled by a majority vote of the membership present at the duly called meeting.

Section 5: No officer is authorized to make unilateral decisions on behalf of the board or membership. Decisions by the board shall require a majority vote of the officers and shall be recorded in the minutes of the officers meetings.

ARTICLE X OFFICER/BOARD OF DIRECTOR INDEMNIFICATION

This Corporation shall indemnify any and all of its current or former officers, sub group and committee leaders against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them in connection with the defense of settlement of any action, suit, or proceeding in which they, or any of them, are made parties, or a party by reason of being or having been officers or leaders of this corporation, except in relation to matters as to which any such member or officer or former director of office or person shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for willful misconduct in the performance of duty and to such matters as shall be settled by agreement predicted on the existence of such liability. The indemnification provided herein shall not be deemed exclusive of any other right to which anyone seeking indemnification may be entitled under any Bylaw, agreement, etc. both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office. This Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any member, officer, agent, employee or former member or officer or other person, against any liability asserted and/or incurred against them to the extent that the organization would have the power to indemnify them against such liability under the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE XI COMMITTEES/SUBGROUPS/CO-OPS

Section 1: The officers are authorized to appoint ad hoc committees/subgroups/co-ops from time to time as are deemed necessary. The duties, number of members, and duration of said committee/subgroup/co-ops shall be determined by the officers.

Section 2: Duties of permanent committees and subgroups may be more clearly defined in a policy manual.

ARTICLE XII EXPENDITURES

Section1: An annual budget shall be adopted by the membership at the first annual meeting.

Section 2: Expenditures that are not specifically itemized in the adopted annual budget shall be handled in the following manner:

a. Checks shall require signature of chairman and treasurer or vice chairman.

b. The chairman is authorized to spend up to \$250.00 per month.

c. Expenditures in excess of \$250.00 and not exceeding \$500.00 (aggregate) per month shall require approval by a majority vote of the Board. Expenditures in excess of \$500.00 per month shall require the approval of a majority vote of the membership present at a regular or special meeting.

Section 3: Authorized expenditures include those expenses incurred for the sole benefit of this Corporation and its functions and may be more clearly defined in a policy manual.

Section 4: Expenditures by committees/subgroups/co-ops shall be more clearly defined in a policy manual.

Section 5: This corporation's board, officers, committees, subgroups and co-ops are not authorized to incur any debt to this corporation unless approved by a majority vote of the membership in a regular or special meeting for said purpose.

ARTICLE XIII DISSOLUTION

This corporation is not for profit and, therefore, there shall never be distributed any gains, profits or dividends to any officer, director or member of the corporation, and no part of the net earnings shall inure to any individual. It is a further express provision of these Articles that the assets and proceeds of every nature and description of the corporation are, and shall forever be, irrevocably dedicated to the benevolent purposes stated in Article III hereof. In the event of the liquidation or dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all assets of the corporation to any exempt organization(s) under Section 501 ©(3) as the Board of Directors shall determine.

ARTICLE XIV AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Articles III and IV are irrevocable and not subject to amendment.

Section 2: Articles may be added, deleted and/or amended upon a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a regular or special meeting. Members shall be notified of proposed changes at least thirty (30) days prior to said meeting. Notification shall include a written copy of proposed changes. Members proposing changes to Articles shall forward same in writing to the Chairman. The Chairman or the Chairman's designee shall insure compliance with notification procedure.

Adopted by membership vote on October 23, 2007.