CC's Mission

Mission Statement

To know God and to make Him known

Purpose

The purpose of Classical Conversations is to lead the home-centered education movement by teaching parents and students the classical tools of learning in order to discover God's created order and beauty, and as a result, enable others to do the same.

Vision

Classical Conversations fulfills its mission and purpose by establishing and supporting Classical Conversations communities across the United States and in several countries and also by empowering parents in the classical, Christian teaching of their children through Parent Practicums. We enable parents everywhere to equip their children with a Christ-centered worldview and the classical "tools of learning" in order to impact the world for God's glory.

Goals

- 1. Provide compelling, influential Christian leadership in the home-centered, classical education movement.
- 2. Provide weekly classical, Christian communities that hone students' academic and classical skills of recitation, logical thinking, and persuasive rhetoric.
- 3. Provide Parent Practicums across the United States that empower parents to teach any academic subject classically.
- 4. Provide a curriculum framework with a Christ-centered worldview while engaging the current culture in which we live.
- 5. Seek to partner with like-minded businesses to provide quality products and services for families.

Core Beliefs

- 1. Bible: A Christ-centered worldview is the foundation through which all subjects must be viewed and eventually integrated.
- 2. Parents: Parents are a child's first and most influential teacher.
- 3. Method: Modern education has failed, and we would like to recover the knowledge of how to teach and learn effectively and efficiently, using the "tools of learning" (i.e., the classical model).
- 4. Community: A healthy academic community provides accountability, structure, fellowship, and the ability to impact the culture on a grander scale.
- 5. Mentors: An experienced, inspirational, homeschooling mentor, who facilitates a weekly community meeting and models learning, offers exponential rewards in the "learning-life" of the parent and student.
- 6. Students: All students can learn to "train their brains to retain," use information logically, and communicate well.
- 7. Skills: There aren't any difficult subjects, just poor learning skills.
- 8. Curriculum: Classical Conversations provides visionary, skeletal curriculum guides and syllabi, allowing parents to continue to direct and own the details that best suit their personal priorities and student dynamics.

- 9. Model: By nature, a homeschool family of younger children closely resembles a one-room schoolhouse model—multiple ages under one primary teacher, the parent.
- 10. Resources: If America's one-room schoolhouse teachers could produce some of greatest leaders with very limited resources, then so can today's homeschool family!