**ACCOUNTABILITY COVENANT**

As a registered sex offender who has received Jesus Christ’s forgiveness, I promise my church family, XXXXXX,and at any future location, that I will maintain the following guidelines for the protection of the children, youth, the congregation, and my witness.

* + I will refrain from any physical or verbal contact with minors.
	+ I agree to notify my accountability partner within 24 hours of being contacted by any law enforcement officer concerning any new charges or allegations.
	+ I will sit with my accountability partner (or his/her designee) during worship and other events where minors are present.
	+ I will participate in ministries involving only adults.
	+ I will refrain from using any part of the church facility where pre-school, children or youth activities are in session, the educational wing, the youth lounge, or other areas where children and youth ministries take place.
	+ I will make sure that when I go to use the restroom I would chose the one that is in plain sight of other adults in the area. However, during worship, or other events, I would make sure to mention my intentions to my accountability partner or my supervisor before using the restroom, especially if it is in a more remote area of the building.
	+ I will meet monthly with my accountability partner and yearly with the Pastors to discuss my growth in Christ and any struggles I may be having with my sexual behavior.
	+ I will seek to refrain from placing myself in a questionable or compromising position in regards to special needs/mentally challenged adults attending church events. Therefore I will have no contact or ministry to special needs men without the escort and assistance of another male adult church member. I will not be involved in a specific ministry to women at any time.
	+ I will consult with my accountability partner and church staff before committing to participate or serve in any ministry opportunity (i.e., volunteer activity or event). When in doubt regarding my involvement with a specific activity, I will consult in advance the Pastors for permission to participate.
	+ I agree to limit my participation to the following areas: (additions need to be pre-approved by the Pastors)
1. SundayWorship -- Initial\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Initial\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Initial\_\_\_\_
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	* I understand that anytime my involvement in the church becomes a stumbling block to others in the church, I will follow church leadership guidance to resolve the issue. If I choose to enter this covenant, the facts of my legal history will be shared on a “need to know” basis. I will be informed of the people this information is to be shared with.
	* This is a spiritual covenant rather than a legal contract and is not intended to convey any contractual rights or obligations to anyone who signs this document. My continued attendance here is also dependent upon the continuing permission of XXXXXXX and I realize that they, at their option, may decide to revoke that permission.

Before God and the XXXXXXXXX, I commit to maintaining this accountability covenant. If I fail to comply with this covenant in any way, no matter how minor, the church may rescind this covenant and deny me further participation in this church family and attendance at any church functions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pastors Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Accountability Partner: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_