

APPENDIX B

ADULT VOLUNTEER COVENANT STATEMENT

The Congregation of Zachary United Methodist Church, is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, and volunteers who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church. The following policy statements reflect our congregation’s commitment to preserving this church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who would enter and as a place in which all people can experience the love of God through relationships with others.

1. No adult who has been convicted of child abuse (either sexual abuse, physical abuse, or emotional abuse) should volunteer to work with children or youth in any church-sponsored activity.
2. Level II workers involved with children or youth of our church must have been an active participant in the life of the church for at least six (6) months before beginning a volunteer worker assignment.
3. Adult volunteer workers with children and youth shall observe the “Two-Adult Rule,” Any church sponsored activity/event involving children or youth must have two unrelated adults present at all times. This applies to classroom activities and activities away from the church facility. The primary on-site Level I or Level II adult must be at least five (5) years older than the oldest child/youth being supervised.
4. Adult volunteer workers shall attend regular training and educational events provided by the church to keep informed of church policies and state laws regarding child abuse.
5. Adult volunteers shall read and abide by the Zachary United Methodist Church Safe Sanctuary Policy.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Print Full

Name: _____

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Please answer each of the following questions:

1. As a volunteer in this congregation, do you agree to observe and abide by all church policies regarding working in ministries with children and youth? ___yes ___no

2. As a volunteer in this congregation, do you agree to participate in training and education events provided by the church related to your volunteer worker assignment? ___yes ___no

3. As a volunteer in this congregation, do you agree to abide by the Zachary United Methodist Church Safe Sanctuary Policy? ___yes ___no

I have received and read the Zachary United Methodist Church Safe Sanctuary Policy and this Adult Volunteer Covenant Statement and I agree to observe and abide by the policies set forth above.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Print Full

Name: _____

FOR CHURCH OFFICE USE ONLY:

Worker Level _____ I _____ II _____ III

Name of Applicant _____.

DOB of Applicant _____.

For Level I Personnel

Criminal Background Completed - _____ (date)

Reference Check Completed- _____ (date)

APPROVED BY:

Pastor _____ Date: _____

SPRC Chair _____ Date: _____

For Level II Personnel:

Volunteer Application Received _____ (date)

Criminal Background Completed - _____ (date)

Signed Adult Volunteer Covenant Received _____ (date)

Has this person been an active participant in the life of the church for at least 6 months _____

APPROVED BY: Pastor _____ OR

APPROVED BY: Staff in Charge _____

Date: _____

For Level III Worker:

Volunteer Application Received _____ (date)

Signed Adult Volunteer Covenant Received _____ (date)

Is this person known to, and recommended by, a Level I or II person? If yes, who _____.

APPROVED BY: Pastor _____ OR

APPROVED BY: Staff in Charge _____

Date: _____