

## Sample Attendance Agreement & Policy for Registered Sex Offenders

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### ATTENDANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN

\_\_\_\_\_ (Covenantor) AND \_\_\_\_\_ (Church)

I agree to the following conditions:

1. I will meet regularly with a \_\_\_\_\_ Church oversight committee, made up of the following people, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, (Committee) who will evaluate and monitor my access to \_\_\_\_\_ Church services and activities. I will disclose to the Committee all requested background information regarding my offense and living circumstances and sign any releases for such information.
2. I will meet with the court ordered Community Corrections Officer (CCO), or similar officer, as prescribed.
3. I will meet with a certified sex offender treatment therapist, if required by my CCO or supervising elder without complaint.
4. I will provide the treatment therapist's name and phone number and the CCO's name and phone number to the Committee.
5. I will get approval by the court ordered CCO, therapist and social worker to attend \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of a signed authorization from each of these providers must be provided to the Committee.
6. I agree to have my picture, name, offense level, and a copy of this signed contract emailed to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. Church pastors, elders, staff and all youth personnel) before attending \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. Sunday morning worship service, adult education hour, Bible study or church activity).
7. I will not attend any services or activities nor be present on the property of \_\_\_\_\_ Church or attend any off-property church-related gatherings without my chaperone. The Committee must approve all persons who act as my chaperone. If a chaperone is not available, I will not attend any services or activities. nor will I be present on the property of \_\_\_\_\_ Church or off-property gathering location at any time.

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- 8 Immediately upon my arrival at \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. Sunday morning worship service, adult education hour, Bible study or church activity), I will sign in at an area designated by the Committee. I will wait there until my chaperone is able to sign in with me, acknowledging that I am on location. If my chaperone cannot be located, I will sign out, indicating the time of my departure and promptly leave the \_\_\_\_\_ Church premises.
9. I will not serve in any church leadership role.
- 10 I acknowledge and agree that all areas specifically designated for children and students at \_\_\_\_\_ Church are off limits to me at all times.
- 11 I will not attend a \_\_\_\_\_ Church small group where children are present, regardless of the location of the small group meeting.
12. I will not visit the home of a \_\_\_\_\_ Church family where children are present, without the parent knowing my history, offense level and receiving permission for my entry into their home.
13. I will not have any physical contact with a child at \_\_\_\_\_ Church.
- 14 I will only use the bathrooms after my chaperone has entered and found no children in the bathroom. My chaperone will monitor the door while I use the facility.
15. I understand the Committee will retain records of our meetings, which will be available to my therapist, CCO, and court at their request.
16. I will not attend \_\_\_\_\_ Church if the victim of my offense also attends \_\_\_\_\_ Church.

I understand and agree to the above conditions and wish to attend \_\_\_\_\_ Church. I agree that if I do not follow any of the above conditions, as determined by the Committee, I will no longer be allowed to participate in \_\_\_\_\_ Church. \_\_\_\_\_ Church, its pastors, deacons, employees, volunteers and members are released from any legal responsibility or liability from my attendance at \_\_\_\_\_ Church and for disclosure of the above information to the extent indicated and authorized herein.

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Signature of Covenantor:

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Printed name of Covenantor:

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Phone number and email address of Covenantor:

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Date:

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Signature of \_\_\_\_\_ Committee Member

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Printed name of \_\_\_\_\_ Committee Member

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Date:

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### Policy for Registered Sex Offenders

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Policy:**

The Church accepts as central to its mission the establishment and maintenance of a caring environment for every child of God, not least our own children and a place for sinners, including those whose crimes are public. Knowing that children are at risk, not yet having the ability to protect themselves, we determine to provide protection for them by carefully monitoring anyone with a history of criminal sexual conduct participating in the life of this congregation.

Knowing that God's grace has been extended to all, we determine to provide a means that anyone who is known to have a record of criminal sexual conduct can live in that grace in the life of this congregation. Toward this end we implement this policy for anyone in the life of the congregation who is known to have a record of criminal sexual conduct

#### **Implementation of Policy:**

- 1) The church will take the following actions in the event it comes to the attention of church leadership that a sexual offender is currently attending any of the church services or participating in any church function
  - a. The participant will meet with a pastor and a member of Council for the purpose of learning about the participant's background and reasons for attending \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. If the participant decides to continue to attend \_\_\_\_\_ Church, he or she will be asked to sign the Attendance Agreement before attending any future services or events.
  - c. An oversight committee will be formed to offer regular connection, ongoing support and to ensure compliance with the Attendance Agreement for as long as the participant attends \_\_\_\_\_ Church.
  - d. If for any reason, this policy seems inappropriate to an individual circumstance, the oversight committee may recommend exceptions, in writing, to the church council.

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