

CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT FOR OFFENDER ACCOUNTABILITY

This contract is not meant to isolate or discriminate against any individual seeking a church home. The following conditions for participation at _____
_____ Church are agreed to in order to place protective boundaries for the safety of all:

1. I will fully disclose the exact nature of my past offense to the senior pastor or his/her designee and submit to a criminal background check. This information will be held as confidential and shared only at the discretion of church leadership and on an "as needed" basis.
2. I will have no intentional contact with minors under the age of eighteen, vulnerable adults and any other individuals representative of my past convictions or crimes and will not be alone with them.
3. If asked to supervise or watch a child or vulnerable adult for any reason, I will decline.
4. I will not sit next to a child/vulnerable adult at any time I am on church property. If such persons sit next to me I will move to a different seat. Whenever possible I will attempt to sit on the aisle seat with my guardian.
5. I will not be in areas of the church where children/vulnerable adults are being taught.
6. I will not take a child/vulnerable adult home with me, provide transportation for them or attempt to see them outside of church.
7. I will not kiss or hug children/vulnerable adults. If such people attempt this contact with me, I will remove myself from the situation.
8. I will not allow a child to sit on my lap, even with my guardian present.
9. I will not go to a church member's home if they have children/vulnerable adults present.
10. I will not place myself in a position of authority that the church leadership has not approved for me, especially involving children and/or vulnerable adults.
11. I will not make any inappropriate sexual remarks, sexual gestures or sexual humor to anyone at church.
12. Parish staff, ushers, childcare providers and others on a need to know basis will be made aware of this contract so that they can also provide accountability and over-sight. This is for my own protection as well as that of others who participate in this church.
13. An approved adult guardian who knows about my offense will supervise/ accompany me at all times while I am on church property. (This includes restrooms and parking.) The guardian will hold me accountable for my behavior and will meet the following conditions: Agree to submit a criminal background check. Sign a document agreeing to the supervisory guidelines. Be of the same gender as the offender.
14. If asked to meet with a representative of this church's leadership, I will comply. This includes pastoral counseling and discipleship.
15. If I have sexual thoughts or fantasies regarding a minor, vulnerable adult or church member representative of my past offense, I will notify my guardian and treatment provider/therapist.
16. I will sign a release of information for a leadership representative of this church to permit communication with my Community Corrections Officer and treatment provider/therapist.

17. I understand that this contract will be reviewed regularly at the discretion of church leadership and can be amended as needed for everyone's safety.

I understand that failure to comply with this contract may mean I can no longer worship or participate in the activities of _____ Church.

Name (Signature)

Date

Pastor or Church Representative

Date

Community Corrections Officer

Date

Treatment Provider/Therapist

Date