

Children's & Youth Ministry Volunteer Covenant

Souderton Mennonite Church 2015

Name: _____

Volunteer Role(s): _____

As a volunteer working with children or youth through Souderton Mennonite Church, I affirm the following:

- I have never been charged with or convicted of child abuse of any criminal conduct related to children.
- I have taken the mandated reporter training and understand what constitutes "child abuse" under Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law.
- I will not engage in any inappropriate or abusive conduct with children while on SMC property or as a SMC ministry volunteer.
- I understand and will comply with my duties as a mandated reporter of suspected child abuse under Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law.
- I affirm that I have undergone the following background checks within the last 36 months:
 - **The Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance**
 - **The Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal Record Check**

FBI Background Checks (please check one):

- I have not lived in the state of Pennsylvania for the entirety of the past ten years, and **I am required to submit an FBI Fingerprint Record Check.**
- I have lived in the state of Pennsylvania for the past ten years and I affirm that I have not been convicted of any crime, in another state, similar to the convictions disqualifying a person in Pennsylvania. Therefore, **I am not required to submit an FBI Fingerprint Background Check.**

Status of Required Background Checks (please check one):

- The original background check results are kept on file at my employer's office. A representative of that employer has verified in writing (Form B) that I have completed the required background checks within the last three years. Further, the representative verifies that the results of all background checks are maintained in the office of the employer. This verification form is attached and submitted with this document.
- I personally possess the original background check documents and have shown the original documents to either Mary Benner or Jessica Hedrick.

I understand that I must **1) submit this signed page, 2) submit copies of the required checks, AND 3) show the original documents to Mary Benner or Jessica Hedrick** OR *obtain a signed verification form from an employer.*

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please contact us with any questions:

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