

# YOUTH MINISTRY COVENANT

Guidelines for Christian Living within a Community

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We are a community called to “SURGE”

This calling defines everything we do.

We live in a covenant relationship with God and with each other.

When we get together we do so for a purpose:

to SERVE our neighbors; to UNITE together for fellowship; to REFINE our faith;  
to GLORIFY our God; and to EQUIP each other for ministry.

**This is the covenant that defines our community’s life together:**

## OUR COVENANT LIFE

- Remember that God is the center and focus of our time together. We are to represent God’s with all of our actions and words.
- Have a positive attitude that adds to the group, not distracts.
- Participate in the current activity rather than anticipating whatever is happening next.
- Be flexible, open-minded and ready to try new things without complaining.
- Respect...
  - each other’s property - don’t take or use something that’s not yours.
  - each other’s feelings - No cut-downs, insults, sarcasm or rude talk. When someone else is talking - listen and pay attention.
  - God with your words, attitude, behavior and attire.
- Our group should be marked by trust, patience, cooperation, humility, humor and kindness.
- As group members we will:
  - Encourage, help & affirm one another.
  - Support, listen to and obey our youth leaders.
  - Participate with maturity and flexibility.
- Our group leaders are committed to a leadership of:
  - Patience
  - Understanding

### For your safety :

- No alcohol or drugs allowed. If a student seems to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, the parents will be notified.
- An adult leader must know where you are at all times. If you leave the supervision of the leadership without permission the parents will be notified.
- No youth under the age of 19 will be able to transport any other youth during a youth meeting or event.
- Bullying & Harassment of others will not be tolerated.

**Youth and adults alike are encouraged to keep one another accountable to this covenant.**

If the above rules are broke, or if a youth is constantly disruptive, there will be appropriate discipline administered by the youth ministry staff. The youth may be removed from the activity and the parents notified. Further consequences will be determined on a case-by-case nature. If needed, in rare situations, the youth may be sent home at the parent’s expense.

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

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