

CONSENT AND RELEASE FOR MINOR TO PARTICIPATE IN CHURCH PROGRAMS

This document contains important information. Please read it carefully before you sign.

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY DURING CHURCH PROGRAMS

As the parent and/or legal guardian of _______, I authorize and grant permission for him/her/them to attend and fully participate in ministries, programs and activities (collectively, the "Programs") that are conducted, organized or sponsored by Manchester United Methodist Church of Manchester, Missouri ("MUMC"), together with any affiliated organizations.

I also hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, FOREVER DISCHARGE AND AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS, "MUMC", its clergy, leaders, directors, trustees, employees, caregivers, volunteers, members, fellow participants and their collective representatives, successors, assigns and heirs, as well as church agencies, districts, conferences and related organizations and the leaders, directors, trustees, and employees thereof (collectively, the "Church"), from ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS OR DEMANDS OF ANY TYPE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING THOSE ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE of the "Church" and/or its representatives, including, but not limited to PERSONAL INJURY, SICKNESS, VIRUS EXPOSURE or INFECTION, DEATH, as well as PROPERTY DAMAGE and EXPENSES that may be incurred as a result of this minor's participation in "Programs", EXCEPT in cases of intentional misconduct or gross negligence by the "Church" and its representatives.

I acknowledge that "Programs" involve known and unknown risks, and some activities may include strenuous or moderately strenuous physical activities or involve hazardous conditions, machinery or equipment.

I also acknowledge that the "Church" cannot prevent this minor from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 (or other viruses) while engaged in "Programs." I understand that by allowing the minor to participate in "Programs" I may be exposing them to and/or increasing their risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19 (and other viruses). Evidence has shown that viruses such as COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illness and even death. I choose to accept this risk in order for this minor to participate in "Programs" and I hereby forever RELEASE AND WAIVE any right to bring suit against the "Church" in connection with exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19 (and other viruses).

I also agree to HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the "Church" and its representatives from any liability or damages incurred as a result of gross negligence or intentional misconduct by this minor.

I further agree that any disputes arising from this Consent and Release shall be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri and will be the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of St. Louis County, Missouri. If any provision of this consent and release shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, void, or unenforceable, I agree that the other provisions shall not be affected but shall remain in full force and effect.

CONSENT FOR MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION, FIRST AID AND LIFE-SAVING MEASURES

During "Programs", I authorize "Church" representatives to arrange transportation for this minor to a medical or dental facility for emergency care as well as non-life-threatening conditions that may require treatment. Such conditions may include, but are not limited to, cuts, burns, rashes, fevers, sprains, vomiting, tooth pain, respiratory distress, injury, etc. I also authorize "Church" representatives to consent to treatment of this minor by medical and dental professionals and agree to be liable for all costs incurred in connection with this minor's transportation and treatment during "Programs". I further grant "Church" representatives permission to release information about this minor to emergency and other care providers as well as adult chaperones and leaders.

In addition to arranging medical transportation and treatment, I authorize "Church" representatives to administer first aid and life-saving measures to this minor during "Programs" before professional emergency personnel arrive and to assist such emergency responders as requested. Such persons shall NOT be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions, EXCEPT damages occasioned by gross negligence or by willful acts or omissions in rendering emergency care.

CONSENT AND RELEASE FOR MINOR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN CHURCH PROGRAMS

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EMERGENCY CONTACTS

In case of an emergency during a "Program," I authorize "Church" representatives to notify the below emergency contact(s) as soon as they determine that it is safe and reasonably possible to do so.

Name:	Phone:	Relationship:
Name:	Phone:	Relationship:

CONSENT FOR TRANSPORTATION

If any "Program" requires transportation of this minor, I hereby authorize and give permission for the minor to be a passenger in any legally licensed and insured vehicle driven by an ADULT chaperone with a valid driver's license. I understand that the minor will be required to wear his/her seat belt, if one is available.

RETURN HOME POLICY

Should I or "Church" representatives determine that it is necessary for this minor to return home from a "Church Program" due to medical or other reasons, I shall be responsible for the minor's transportation costs. In this situation, I also understand that I will NOT be entitled to a refund of registration, participation or other fees or monies related to the minor's participation in the "Program".

CONFIRMATION OF INTENT

By signing below, I certify that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and of sound mind; have carefully **READ**, **UNDERSTAND AND AGREE** to the terms and conditions of this two-page Consent and Release instrument; and have no unanswered questions. I **MAKE THIS DECISION FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY** without duress, fraud, constraint, inducement, assurance or guarantee being made.

I agree that this document supersedes any and all prior consent and release documents related to the <u>future</u> participation of this minor in "Programs" and that a photocopy or digital image of this document shall be as valid as the original. This consent and release instrument, along with its terms and conditions, shall be in full force and effect through AUGUST 31, 2022 (unless revoked earlier by me in writing) and it shall forever apply to this minor's participation in "Programs" while it was in effect.

Minor's Full Legal Name:			DOB:	
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	Parent/Legal Guardian 1:		Parent/Legal Guardian 2: (If Applicable)	
	Print Name		Print Name	-
	Signature		Signature	-
	Date		Date	-
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