

White House First United Methodist Church

COVENANT AGREEMENT

Safe Sanctuary Policy and Procedure

As a Christian community of faith and a United Methodist congregation, we have a pledge to conduct the ministry of the gospel in ways that assure the safety and spiritual growth of all of our children and youth as well as all of the workers with children and youth. Therefore, we will follow reasonable safety measures in the selection and recruitment of workers; we will implement prudent operational procedures in all programs and events: we will educate all of our workers with children and youth regarding the use of all appropriate policies and methods; we will have a clearly defined procedure for reporting a suspected incident of abuse that conforms to the requirements of state law.

In all of our ministries with children and youth, this congregation is committed to demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ so that each child will be "surrounded by steadfast love, ... established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal."

WHFUMC has implemented a child and youth protection policy called Safe Sanctuaries. The purpose is to reduce the risk of child abuse in the church.

I acknowledge receipt of the White House First United Methodist Safe Sanctuary Policy and Procedure form on the date shown below. I have read and understand each provision in this policy. I understand that these policies are in place to protect the children, myself and WHFUMC. As such, I agree to comply with each provision. I also understand that as a WHFUMC Children's volunteer, I will be required to sign this or a revised policy on an annual basis.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____
 First Middle Last

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Area of Ministry: Children // Youth // Other: _____

Date of Birth: _____ 18 years of age: Over or Under (please circle one)