## BUMC VOLUNTEER QUESTIONNAIRE FOR WORKERS WITH CHILDREN/YOUTH

Name:
Address:
Daytime phone: Evening phone:
Emergency contact/phone number:
How long have you been involved in the activities or ministries of BUMC? Please describe your involvement.
Occupation:
Previous volunteer experience:
Special interests, hobbies and skills that you believe might benefit BUMC
Why would you like to volunteer as a worker with children and/or youth at BUMC?
Have you ever been charged, convicted of, or pled guilty to a crime, either a misdemeanor or a felony (including, but not limited to drug-related charges, child abuse, other crimes of violence, theft, or motor vehicle violations)? No Yes
If yes, please explain:

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## **COVENANT STATEMENT**

BUMC is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, and volunteers who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church. The following policy statements reflect our congregation's commitment to preserving this church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who would enter:

- 1. No adult who has been convicted of child abuse (either sexual abuse, physical abuse, or emotional abuse) should volunteer to work with children or youth in any church-sponsored activity.
- 2. Adult survivors of child abuse need the love and support of our congregation. Any adult survivor who desires to volunteer in some capacity to work with children or youth is encouraged to discuss his/her willingness with one of our church's ministers before accepting an assignment.
- 3. All adult volunteers involved with children or youth of our church must have been attending BUMC regularly for at least six months before beginning a volunteer assignment, or recommended by two such adults.
- 4. Adult volunteers with children and youth shall observe the "Two Adult Rule" at all times so that no adult is ever alone with children or youth (spouses count as one adult).
- 5. Adult volunteers with children and youth shall attend regular training and educational events provided by the church to keep volunteers informed of church policies and state laws regarding child abuse.
- 6. Adult volunteers shall immediately report to their Ministry Director any behavior that seems abusive or inappropriate.
- 7. BUMC will conduct a criminal background check on all workers (paid and volunteer) who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church.

Signature of Volunteer	Date	
Ministry Director	Date	

I understand and agree to comply with and support the above policies.

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