

Appendix H

**Youth Covenant**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that I am representing our Lord Jesus Christ and Reynoldsburg United Methodist Church in all youth activities. Therefore, for my own safety, the well-being of others, and mutual respect, I promise that:

1. I will not possess or use illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco in any form.
2. I will use prescription or over-the-counter medications only with the permission of my parents or guardians and under the supervision of an adult leader.
3. I will not possess or use prohibited explosives, fireworks, or weapons
4. I will treat other people's property with respect and cause no form of vandalism or destruction to any private or church property.
5. I will treat adult leaders and other members of the youth group with respect.
6. I will cause no emotional or physical injury to myself or others.
7. I will respect others by avoiding inappropriate sexual activity, and will not engage in sexual misconduct, which includes but is not limited to inappropriate jokes, comments, or touching; viewing inappropriate materials; wearing clothing that is immodest, offensive, vulgar or inappropriate; or listening to music with offensive lyrics.
8. I will not participate in inappropriate forms of public displays of affection (PDA).
9. I will relinquish my cell phone or other electronic devices to the leaders if they request me to do so during youth events.
10. I will be responsible for my actions and will act in a Christian manner.

In addition to these promises, I agree to work in harmony with the leaders and members of the group by participating in activities, and I will respect the opinions of others and care for my peers as sisters and brothers in Christ. I agree to listen and adhere to all the instructions by the adult leaders.

If I am eighteen (18) years of age or older, I understand that I am attending this activity as a participant and have no authority over any other participants. I am not attending as a leader, supervisor, counselor, junior counselor, or in any other role which might imply supervisory authority.

I understand that if I fail to comply with any of the above promises I will be held personally responsible for any injuries or property damage that may result from my actions. Depending upon the nature and severity of the violation, I understand that I may be reprimanded, that my parents may be notified of my behavior, that I may be removed from the activity at my parent or guardian's expense, that I may be referred to local law enforcement, and that my future privilege to participate in Reynoldsburg United Methodist Church youth events may be jeopardized.

Youth Name \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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