

**Blossom Hill Mennonite Church
333 Delp Road, Lancaster PA 17601**

COVENANT OF CHILD PROTECTION

I accept the responsibility to nurture the Christian faith and well-being of the children and youth of the Blossom Hill Mennonite Church (BHMC) and to care for them as Christ cares for me.

“I ...will tend the flock of God that is in my charge... willingly, as God would have me do it...” -
-I Peter 5:2

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the Child Protection Policy of the BHMC

I further indicate my understanding and compliance with the following specific conditions set forth in that policy:

- I understand that as a volunteer working with children/youth, I will be a mandated reporter, required by state law to report to proper authorities any suspected child abuse I become aware of in my duties. I understand that I will be given training in how to recognize child abuse, and how to properly report it. I understand that I am legally required to make such a report when necessary, and that failure to do so carries criminal penalties as well as risking injury to a child.
- I agree to notify the church immediately if I am charged with a criminal offense involving child abuse, or if I am the subject of an indicated or found child abuse report.
- If I become aware of an injury, accident, or mishap at any property and/or facility of BHMC I or at a BHMC activity at any location, I will make certain that the incident is reported immediately to a member of the Safe Church Committee. Committee members' names will be posted on the bulletin board in the rear of the Sanctuary.
- While at a property and/or facility of BHMC or at a BHMC activity at any location, I will support the policy of two Approved Adults present. Every attempt will be made to have this ratio. I will actively support alternative safeguards outlined in the policy when two Approved Adults are not present.
- If I become aware of an inappropriate relationship involving children, youth, or a child or youth and an adult, any one of whom is associated with BHMC, I will report it immediately to a member of the Child Protection Policy Committee. Committee members' names will be posted on the bulletin board in the rear of the Sanctuary.
- When the activity that I am supervising has ended, I will make sure that the lights are out and the doors are locked before I leave, or I will notify other Church representatives who are still in the building that I am leaving.

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____