

Shreve United Methodist Church

Family Ministries

Volunteer Commitment & Application

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Strategy:

At Shreve UMC we strongly believe in a relational ministry. Men and women of God are strategically placed alongside students to provide a healthy role model for them to follow. From the student perspective, the volunteer at Shreve UMC will be an example of Jesus. The impact that life-on-life ministry has on today's children & youth cannot be underestimated.

Relationships:

We believe that loving students and showing them Jesus is the greatest way we can have an impact on them. Building individual relationships with the students through our program events: youth group, Sunday school class, trips/camps/VBS, and supporting students at their extracurricular activities, is essential for effective, relational ministry. Since we believe in a family-friendly youth ministry, this also includes making an effort to care about the members of the students' family.

Commitments:

Each volunteer's commitment is personalized, based on the individual's giftedness and availability.

After observing the Family Ministries program, I have spent time in prayer and discussed my commitment with my family and agree to volunteer within the program. I commit to the following:

Personal

I acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ in my life and have a personal relationship with Him. I am committed to growing and maturing my relationship with God through quiet times, active church attendance, and involvement in some type of accountable relationship. I am committed to choices and a lifestyle that are both godly and "above reproach", abstaining from any immoral behavior that the UMC dictates in the Book of Discipline. This is my commitment knowing that my life is a model for the students with whom I work.

Proper student relationships

I have also turned in a read and signed printed copy of each document:

- Disciplinary Policy
- Child/Youth Protection Policy
- Media Release and Medical Forms
- Volunteer Application/Commitment
- Spiritual Gifts Quiz
 - Please print results and turn in with documentation.
 - <http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts-online-assessment>

Supportiveness

I commit to relational ministry, knowing that every student counts, every student needs to be known, greeted, cared for, and loved. I understand the Statement of Faith and Affirmation of our church and agree with the Children & Youth Ministries' philosophy, mission, purpose, and vision. I commit to staff support and unity through quickly resolving conflicts, supporting the leadership and all church decisions, and accepting and nurturing any new leadership.

Time

I commit to consistency in attendance of the programs to which I have committed and to volunteer team meetings. Because I am making a significant commitment and my presence is important, I agree to be consistent and timely to the programs to which I commit myself. If I have the need to miss a program or event, I agree to do my utmost to find a replacement, and then notify the Director of the change.

This is your commitment for the position of volunteer. The Director and Pastor will hold you accountable to this commitment. By signing this document, you are agreeing with the information on the Volunteer Covenant and Commitment page and you have also read and understood your expectations expressed on your Volunteer description sheet. You were chosen for this position because of the love you have shown for students and your love for God. We ask that you continue good spiritual practices as you are role model for students. Students will grow as much as you grow.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Volunteer

Printed Name: _____
Volunteer

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Director

Family Ministries Volunteer Application

Please fill out with full legal name and information.

Take your time and fill this application out thoughtfully, carefully and prayerfully.

We take this ministry very seriously, and therefore we take you very seriously.

Please read through the application, pray, and then complete it.

The contents herein will be held confidential.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street: _____ City/Zip: _____

Driver's License # _____ Auto Insurance Co. _____

Auto Insurance Policy: _____ Birthday: _____

Home: _____ Cell: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Education Completed:

- High School: _____
- Further Education: _____

1. Do you attend this church regularly? _____

2. Are you a member? _____ How long? _____

3. In what ministries have you been involved with, and at what church?

4. Do you agree entirely with our church's doctrinal statement and beliefs?

Yes No

If not, with which statement(s) and/or beliefs do you struggle/disagree?

5. What children/youth ministry experiences have you had?

6. Briefly, how did you become a Christian? _____

7. List two reasons why you want to be a volunteer:

1. _____
2. _____

8. What fears/reservations will you have if you were selected as a volunteer?

9. We believe that you can only take students as far as you are spiritually. The most important thing you can offer is a growing and vital relationship with Jesus Christ. In your opinion, what specifically characterizes a person walking with God? _____

10. What specifically characterizes your walk with God? _____

11. With what part of your walk with Christ do you struggle the most, and how do you think that it will affect your ministry with students?

12. List three people who have significantly impacted your life for Christ:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

13. What kind of things do you like to do for fun? (Hobbies, leisure time, etc.)

14. What three spiritual gifts and/or strengths do you believe you have?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

15. Have you ever been convicted of a crime involving children/youth? Explain.

16. Have you ever been a victim of abuse, physical, emotional, or sexual? If so how might this affect your ministry with youth?

17. In what parts of the Children & Youth Ministries program would you like to be part of and why?

If you have any questions about any part of the application, please circle it so that we might discuss it with you. Thank you for taking time to consider prayerfully your involvement in Children & Youth Ministries.

I understand that this application will be kept completely confidential. I agree that to the best of my knowledge, all of the above questions have been answered honestly and truthfully.

Signature _____

Printed Name: _____

Date _____