

## Ox Hill Baptist Church Volunteer Covenant

Name

Address\_

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me." --Matthew 18:5

Ox Hill Baptist Church is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, volunteers and staff who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church. The following statement reflects our congregation's commitment to preserving this church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who enter and as a place in which all people can experience the love of God.

- Any adult who has been convicted of child abuse (sexual, physical, or emotional) or sexual misconduct will not be allowed to volunteer to work with children or youth for any church sponsored activity.
- Any adult working with children or youth must have been an active participant in the life of the congregation for at least six months before beginning a volunteer assignment.
- Any adult working with children or youth will attend training and educational events provided by the church to keep informed of the church's Safe Sanctuary Guidelines and state laws regarding child abuse.
- Any adult working with children or youth for any church sponsored activity will abide by the Safe Sanctuary Policy.
- Any adult working with children or youth for church sponsored activity will report any behavior that seems inappropriate or abusive to the Safe Sanctuary Committee following the Response Plan.

I ACCEPT the responsibility to nurture the Christian faith and well-being of the children, youth, and adults of Ox Hill Baptist Church and to care for them as Christ cares for me.

I HAVE READ and I UNDERSTAND and I AGREE TO ABIDE BY the Safe Sanctuary Policy of Ox Hill Baptist Church.

Name	
Signature	Date