Limited Access Covenant for Persons Accused of a Sexually Related Crime

A serious complaint or allegation, now under review, has been made about you to a pastor or staff person of (name of church). While this complaint is being investigated, in order to protect the children and youth in our programs from potential risk, and in order to protect you from further suspicion, we ask you to abide by this interim agreement. Signing this document in no way constitutes a presumption or confession of guilt. This is a routine safety precaution, activated without prejudice toward particular individuals or circumstances. This document will be made known only to the pastors, your Accountability Partner and the ministers to families with children and youth.

Within these guidelines, the congregation welcomes your participation in adult worship services, coffee hour, committee meetings, adult education, all adult social events, and well supervised intergenerational events.

You will be assigned an accountability partner who will escort you at all times you are on the church campus or while in attendance at church sponsored events.

Avoid all contact with children and youth on congregation property or congregation-sponsored events. This includes the following:
- Please do not talk with children or youth.
- Please do not volunteer or agree to lead, chaperone or participate in events for children and youth including such things as religious education classes, stories or talks for worship, youth group events, activities during intergenerational events, driving or otherwise transporting children and/or youth.

If a child or youth in the congregation approaches you, either at church or in a community place, politely and immediately excuse yourself from the situation.

Please remain in the presence of your Accountability Partner at all times.

I have reviewed this covenant and agree to abide by its provisions. I understand and agree that if I violate this agreement, I will be denied access to future church functions and church property. Upon resolution of the charges against me, I will meet with the pastor for a review of this covenant and my behavior which lead to the initial accusations.

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Signature                                                                                        Date

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Pastor                                                                                             Date

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Witness                                                                                           Date