

## Attachment 5 – Helper Covenant

Note: This form is intended for use for youth helpers and short-term adult helpers.

Please provide the following information and sign the covenant statement after reading the SMUMC Child and Youth Protection Policy and Procedures. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with the Pastor, Lay Leader, or the Safe Sanctuary Coordinator (SSC).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Helper Position: \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., VBS teacher, Children's Church)

Activity Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

### *Covenant Statement*

*I have read the Child and Youth Protection Policy and Procedures of SMUMC, I understand the policy, and I agree to abide by all of its provisions.*

*I understand Helpers must work under the direction of a volunteer or staff.*

*I understand Helpers do not count towards the Two Adult Rule or the minimum adult-child ratio.*

*I understand NO physical punishment or verbal abuse; e.g., ridicule, is to be used at any time. In the event I observe an isolated incident, I will report it immediately to the Pastor, Lay Leader, or SSC.*

*I do not have any unresolved issues relating to child abuse or sexual abuse that would pose a risk or hinder my effectiveness in working with children or youth.*

*I have no child abuse convictions or expungements.*

*I have never committed any crime involving abuse of a child or youth.*

*I have carefully read and understand this statement.*

Helper Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Helper is a minor)