

Seventh-day Adventist Church
Located in _____, Tennessee
Attendance/Participation Agreement for Convicted Sex Offender

I recognize the concerns and responsibilities of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church to ensure a safe environment for its members and to protect my personal experience. As a condition of my limited participation in this congregation, I agree to the following restrictions and conditions:

1. I will not associate with any minors or children attending or participating in any church or school activity. I will not sit next to a minor or child and if such a person sits next to me, I will move.
2. I will not linger or loiter in areas where children are being taught, such as Sabbath School, Pathfinders, Adventurers and the like, and will not go to any area where children are present or youth/children's ministries are being conducted.
3. I will not volunteer in the Church in any capacity, nor will I place myself into, or accept, any church office or any position of leadership or authority. I agree to advise the nominating committee that I neither seek nor will accept any position for which the nominating committee may recommend for me.
4. I will under no circumstances transport any child to any destination. I agree not to allow any child into any motor vehicle to which I have access. I will not be present in any motor vehicle owned, leased, or contracted by the Church when children under eighteen (18) years of age are present in the vehicle. I will not operate any such vehicle at any time. I will not stand or sit idly, in a vehicle or otherwise, within 1000 feet of Church property, public school, private or parochial school, licensed day care center, other child care facility, public park, playgrounds, recreation center or public athletic field available for use by the general public.
5. I will not develop any special or close relationships or friendships with minors or children or their parents who are in any way affiliated with the _____ Church.
6. I will not go to a church member's home where children are present. If I go to a member's home and find children present, I will immediately leave.
7. I will not come onto the premises of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church nor attend any officially sponsored church events without the presence of an accountability partner as defined and agreed to by the church. (***OR:*** *I understand that I will not be allowed to drive a vehicle onto the church property. Furthermore, I agree to be personally escorted from a predetermined location onto the premises of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church and any officially sponsored church events only with the presence of an accountability partner as defined and agreed to by the church board and/or pastoral staff*). This accountability partner will be with me at all times while attending church or church related activities. This will be to ensure that my whereabouts are known at all times, including visits to the restroom. I understand that this list of accountability partners will be maintained in the church office.
8. If I am a resident of the State of Tennessee, I agree that I am in compliance with all registration requirements set forth in TCA 40-39-203 and identification requirements set forth in TCA 40-39-213. I further agree to comply with any and all court-mandated restrictions or other legal restrictions or conditions such as conditions of probation, treatment, and/or requirements and recognize that these shall supersede any conditions in this Agreement that are less restrictive or contradictory. I will not offer my services to the church as a volunteer in any capacity, including counseling, coaching, teaching, supervising, volunteering or working with minors in any way.
9. I understand that the provisions of this Participation Agreement do not create any personal and/or legal rights against the church that would afford me any claim or right of redress in any legal or administrative proceedings, nor does this agreement in any way preclude the church from exercising its right to freely exercise its faith as set forth in the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of _____ with respect to church governance in matters relating to church membership and/or discipline.
10. This agreement shall remain valid as long as I attend and/or participate in the activities of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church. Should I wish to transfer my attendance,

participation, or membership to another congregation, I specifically agree and consent that a copy of this document may be sent to the subsequent congregation.

11. I hereby specifically authorize any member of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church to announce or publish either verbally or in writing that I am a Convicted Sex Offender. I understand and agree that the information disseminated by the church is information that is available to the public through the State’s official website authorized to publish such information, and that this information is being disseminated to church members in good faith. I hereby release _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church and its members from any and all liability of whatever kind which may directly or indirectly result from any such publication.
12. I will not contact any church members under the age of eighteen (18) via text message, instant message e-mail, social media website, or any other form of electronic communication.
13. I will not photograph, videotape, or film any member of the church under the age of eighteen (18) via traditional or electronic means.
14. I understand and accept that there will be an annual notification in the church newsletter informing our church family that we have Convicted Sex Offenders that are members or attendees of our church, and referring those wishing additional information to an elder or the pastor. I also authorize the notification of all members joining the church.
15. I specifically authorize the church to notify the following church leaders that I am a Convicted Sex Offender:

Church Board members	Assistant Head Deacons
Children’s Division Leaders	Safety Committee
Pathfinder Director	Vacation Bible School Leader
Adventurer Director	_____ Adventist School Principal
Head Deacon	_____ Adventist School Board members
Children’s Ministries Coordinator	

I have read and understand the above conditions and agree to abide by them. If at any point I fail to adhere to any of the above conditions, I recognize that my participation may be terminated or otherwise restricted. Such failure shall be at the sole discretion of the _____ Seventh-day Adventist Church board.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Participant’s Signature

Participant’s Printed Name

Head Elder
_____ **Seventh-day Adventist Church**

Pastor
_____ **Seventh-day Adventist Church**

cc: _____
Seventh-day Adventist Church office
Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Participant
Accountability Partners

Parole Office