



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

CONFIDENTIAL WHEN COMPLETED

In our desire to reduce the risk of abuse within our church's ministries, we believe this information is necessary to protect our children and to protect our volunteers. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Personal Information			
Name:	_____	_____	_____
	First	Middle	Last
Date of Birth:	_____	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
	Day / Month / Year		
Phone:	() _____ - _____	() _____ - _____	() _____ - _____
	Home / Evening	Work / Daytime	Cell / Emergency
e-mail:	_____ <input type="checkbox"/> private		
Address:	_____		
	House/Apt Number	Street or Avenue	

	City	Province	Postal Code
Occupation:	_____		
Employer:	_____		
Marital Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Remarried <input type="checkbox"/> Widow/widower		

Spiritual History
How long have you attended <i>Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly</i> ? _____
Are you a Member? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
When did you accept Christ as your Savior? _____
Have you been baptized in water? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Church Attendance (previous 3 years)

1. Church Name: _____ Phone : _____
 Denomination: _____
 Address: _____
 Dates Attended: _____ Member or Adherent
 Ministry Involvement: _____
 Pastor \Ministry Leader: _____ Phone : _____

2. Church Name: _____ Phone : _____
 Denomination: _____
 Address: _____
 Dates Attended: _____ Member or Adherent
 Ministry Involvement: _____
 Pastor \Ministry Leader: _____ Phone : _____

Lifestyle

*In order to provide a safe and secure environment for our children, we believe it is necessary to include the following questions as part of our application process. All information will be kept strictly confidential. (Police may access this information under warrant, if requested.) Answering "yes" to any of the questions may not necessarily preclude your involvement in ministry. **A meeting will be arranged with a Pastor so that you may discuss the circumstances.** Thank you in advance for your understanding.*

If any of the following circumstances apply to you, please check here

- Have been convicted of a criminal offense involving children.
- Have been convicted of a sexually related crime.
- Have been convicted of an abuse related crime.
- Have been hospitalized or treated for alcohol or substance abuse.
- Have any communicable disease.
- In treatment for any form of mental illness.

Do you have any physical conditions that would prevent you from performing certain types of activities (lifting children, playing sports)? If so, please explain.

References

Please provide the names of three individuals (Pastors, teachers, church members, employers) who are not related to you who can provide a reference for you.

1. Name:	_____	Relationship:	_____
Address:	_____	Phone:	_____
2. Name:	_____	Relationship:	_____
Address:	_____	Phone:	_____
3. Name:	_____	Relationship:	_____
Address:	_____	Phone:	_____

Ministry Profile

Please mark any areas you are interested in working:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nursery | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preschool | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama, Puppets or Worship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary | <input type="checkbox"/> Administration / Office Support |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (Junior\Senior High) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Please provide any further details of ministry to children or youth you would like to be involved in, including areas of particular passion or vision for you:

Applicant's Statement

I authorize individuals and organizations provided in this application to share any information they have regarding my character and fitness for ministry and release them from liability for any damages that result from providing that information. I grant permission for *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly* to perform a Criminal Record Check. I agree to follow to the Child Protection Policies of *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly*.

Signed Date

Full Name (Please Print Clearly)

Parent\Guardian Signature for Applicants under 18 Years of Age Date

Parent\Guardian Name (Please Print Clearly)



MINISTRY COVENANT

THE MEANING OF THIS COVENANT:

I understand that a covenant is a promise, that it is not merely a mutual acquaintance but a commitment to responsibility and action.

WHAT MY MINISTRY LOOKS LIKE:

Here at *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly*, we believe that ANY PERSON WHO PARTICIPATES IN ANY FORM OF SERVICE TO THIS BODY, NO MATTER HOW MENIAL IT MAY APPEAR TO BE, IS INVOLVED IN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP. WE FURTHER BELIEVE THAT God intended THESE MINISTRIES be carried out in the spirit of a servant. Although our talents, personalities and gifts may vary, Scripture clearly teaches a leadership style that is uniquely Christian. It has been given to us by the Lord of the Church. Jesus has demonstrated this leadership style, and commanded us to do likewise.

“Do nothing from selfish or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, being made in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” Phil. 2:3-8 (NAS)

Servant Leadership is much more than a leadership style we act out and master like other management styles. Servant leadership begins with the heart, with our attitude and with our motives. A servant-leader can be characterized by submission, love, compassion, persistence in the pursuit of God’s will, and self-sacrifice. Reflections from Scripture on Servanthood: *John 17, Phil. 2:3-8, John 6:38-40, John 15:12-13, 1Corinthians 13*

MY QUALIFICATIONS FOR MINISTRY:

A life that qualifies FOR MINISTRY LEADERSHIP at *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly* exhibits personal morality and character consistent with the Bible. While recognizing that grace abounds in our experience with Christ, and that in Christ there is forgiveness for moral failure, it is also recognized that biblical principles and standards are what qualify and empower an individual to lead.

Models, not just rhetoric, change people. Our primary mandate in this church is to “make disciples, teaching them to obey” (Matt. 28:19). Modeling biblical truth and standards gives those who are young (in age or faith) an example to follow; an illustration of what it means to be a Christian. It gives the church community confidence in the integrity of their church and the quality of our vision.

MODELING A BIBLICAL LIFESTYLE:

I understand that consistent modeling requires diligence in the pursuit of the biblical lifestyle. There are some things that we can do to renew ourselves from the inside out. There is a need to ‘keep short accounts with God’ (confession). We must be sensitive to sin so that we can easily identify it and recognize its presence in our own lives. We must immediately go to God and ask forgiveness. A lifestyle of sin evolves through inattention and insensitivity to God’s view of sinful behavior.

The biblical lifestyle is both a life of participating and a life of abstaining. In participating we are to fully involve him/herself in the principles and, when appropriate, the programs of our church .

Abstaining is also considered part of the biblical lifestyle. Abstaining from what the Bible refers to as acts of the sinful nature, means not participating in an activity that is harmful to both your personal welfare and that of the church. A list of some acts of the sinful nature are as follows:

Adultery, cohabitation that includes physical intimacy and/or negatively impacts the church as a result of the appearance of evil, occultic practices, dissensions/factions, drunkenness, lesbian or homosexual activity, criminal activity, any sexual abuse, and/or any behaviour that is deemed to be detrimental to the purposes of the church.

By no means is the above list a comprehensive representation of acts that would require disciplinary attention. We are to abstain from ANY ACT OR ATTITUDE that is counter-productive to the purposes of the church or its ministries.

COVENANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior, and in recognition of God's covenants toward us, I understand and agree to the content of this Ministry Covenant. I resolve to minister within the church and within the world as a servant of Jesus Christ, under God, and according to Scripture. The following statements help to further define my commitment:

I. I will protect the unity of my church

- by acting in love toward other members
- by refusing to gossip
- by following the leaders
- by being supportive of *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly's* Statement of Faith
- by complying with *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly's* Constitution and By-laws.

"So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together." (Rom. 14:19)
"Have a sincere love for other believers, love one another earnestly with all your heart." (1 Peter 1:22)
"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs." (Eph. 4:29)
"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be no advantage to you." (Heb. 13:17)

II. I will share the growth of my church

- by praying for its growth
- by inviting the unchurched to attend
- by warmly welcoming those who visit.

"To the church – We always thank God for you and pray for you constantly." (1Thess.1:1-2)
"The Master said to the servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes, and urge the people there to come so my house will be full'" (Luke 14:23)
"So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified." (Rom. 15:7)

III. I will serve the ministry of my church

- by discovering my gifts and talents
- by actively involving myself in ministry
- by being equipped to serve by my pastors
- by developing a servant's heart
- by ministering in cooperation with others in the Body of Christ
- by supporting, through prayer and affirmation, others' gifts and ministries.

“Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given each of you” (1 Peter 4:10)
“God gave some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the Body of Christ may be built up.” (Eph. 4:11-12)
“Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus; Who...[took on] the very nature of a servant.” (Phil. 2:3-4, 7)

IV. I will support the testimony of my church

- by attending faithfully
- by living a godly life (applying Biblical principles in all aspects of my life)
- by keeping a regular, personal quiet time of Bible reading and prayer and regularly confessing my sins before God
- by giving regularly
- by abstaining from any act or attitude that is counter-productive to the purposes of the church or its ministries.

“Let us not give up meeting together ... but let us encourage one another.” (Heb. 10:25)
“Whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ.” (Phil. 1:27)
“Each one of you, on the first day of each week, should set aside a specific sum of money in proportion to what you have earned and use it for the offering”. (1 Cor. 16:2)
“A tenth of [all your] produce ... is the Lord’s and is holy.” (Lev. 27:30)

I understand that *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly* is responsible for the welfare of any person entrusted to my care, and thus I will co-operate fully with the staff in the fulfillment of my duties and will keep all information I encounter in my role as a Ministry Leader, confidential. If, at any time, I find that for any reason I am unable to support the policies, procedures, or doctrines of *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly*, I will gracefully and quietly resign my position.

If I fail to live a life consistent with God’s word so that my witness, the reputation of the Name of Christ and / or the integrity of *Mill Woods Pentecostal Assembly* is compromised, I will withdraw from my position of ministry and submit to a process of restoration.

Signed _____	Date _____
Full Name (Please Print Clearly) _____	

