

**Application and Statement of Trustworthiness for Ministry to Children and Youth at Maranatha Christian Reformed Church.**

Adults who minister with children and youth are responsible for fostering a nurturing environment wherein children and youth are rooted in Christ, grow in faith and bear fruit for Christ daily. Foundational to this environmental nurture is the established trust between adult and children or youth. In various nurturing environments children and youth learn to trust adults, following them faithfully and sometimes unquestionably. Because of this trust level, adults who minister with children and youth must always act with integrity and trustworthiness.

As one who ministers with children and youth, your endorsement below helps to continue the trustworthiness that exists between adults and children or youth of Maranatha Christian Reformed Church.

**A. PERSONAL DATA**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
last first middle

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a current driver's license? \_\_\_\_\_ If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you will be transporting children or youth, please list your driver's license number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Identity may be confirmed with a state driver's license or other photographic identification.)

Have you been a member/regular attender of Maranatha Christian Reformed Church for at least six months?  
Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Please list all involvements you have had in and outside the church with children and youth during the past five years: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list the churches you have been involved with in the last five years: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## B. BACKGROUND CHECK

Have you ever been convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges of child abuse or neglect?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Have you ever been dismissed or terminated from a volunteer or paid position for charges of child abuse or neglect? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to a misdemeanor or a felony? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been dismissed or terminated from a volunteer or paid position for allegations of fiscal mismanagement, harassment, or misconduct? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I grant the Safe Church Team of Maranatha CRC to administer a background check on me, understanding that the contents of the report will remain confidential. Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

## C. PERSONAL REFERENCES (*Non-relatives, employers, supervisors, church co-workers may be included*)

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## D. STATEMENT AND AGREEMENT

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize any references or churches listed in this application to give Maranatha any information (including opinions) they have regarding my character. I have read and understand Maranatha's Safe Church Ministry Policy. Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound to Maranatha Christian Reformed Church's policies and to act in accordance with ministry commitments for volunteers and refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on the behalf of the church.

Additionally, I understand and agree that all allegations or observations of physical and sexual abuse will be reported by the church and its leaders to the appropriate authorities who are Child Protective Services and the local law enforcement department.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print or type) \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Print name of SCT member*

*Signature of SCT member*

*Date*