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COMMUNITY CHURCH

Children's Ministry

Volunteer Packet

Thank you for your interest in joining the Elk Plain Community Church Children's Ministry Team. Willing servants, like yourself, are essential to our church family and together we can accomplish more, in the name of Jesus, than we could apart.

With that in mind, we want to begin by expressing how much we appreciate your willingness to share your time, gifts, and abilities. We pray that the Lord gives you a real joy in your service, and that you can find a position that fits your spiritual gifts.

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. ...If it is serving, let us serve; if it is teaching, let us teach; if it is encouraging, let us encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let us give generously;...if it is showing mercy, let us do it cheerfully " Romans 12:6-8

At Elk Plain Community Church we strive to provide a safe spiritual and physical environment. In order to accomplish this, we require volunteers to complete our Children's Ministry Volunteer Packet.

There are several key parts to this packet –

1. Applicant's Statement and Teacher's Covenant – Please read this page carefully before signing.
2. Authorization for Background Check - These are required for all volunteers 14 years old and older. National background checks are conducted through Protect My Ministry (www.protectmyministry.com), and we also perform Washington State Patrol background checks.
3. Children's Ministry Volunteer Form – The following sections are required: Personal Information, General Information, Experience, and Personal References. For those interested in teaching please continue the form and answer the questions in the Personal & Biblical Questions section.

Again, we thank you very much for your willingness to serve the children. May God be glorified as you serve.

God Bless,

The Elk Plain Community Church Elder Team

Please complete the following checklist and turn in to the office:

- _____ Complete the Applicant's Statement
- _____ Complete the Authorization for Background Check
If you are unable to pay the \$12 fee the church will cover the cost. We appreciate your willingness to serve!
- _____ Complete the Children's Ministry Volunteer Form
- _____ Please include a copy of your driver's license or student ID
- _____ \$12 for background check
- _____ Read EPCC Child Abuse Prevention Packet
If you did not receive these please contact Amy Tate to receive a copy. These are for you to keep.

Applicant's Statement

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize any references, churches, or other organizations listed in this application to give you any information they may have regarding my character and abilities working with children or the disabled. I release all such references from liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such evaluations to you.

Elk Plain Community Church Teacher's Covenant

Having committed to the ministry of teaching and the habits essential for spiritual maturity, I commit to...

- ...prepare for ministry by maintaining my personal relationship with Christ.
- ...support the church in prayer, including the students under my leadership.
- ...cooperate with other ministries placing the good of the whole body over the needs of the ministry.
- ...follow the Policies and Procedures of Elk Plain Community Church.
- ...be a role model for my students and refrain from unscriptural conduct both in and out of their presence.
- ...protect the children from physical, sexual, emotional, or mental abuse from an adult or another child, which includes providing adequate supervision to ensure safety. I will do everything in my power to avoid being put in a situation where I am alone with a minor other than my own.
- ...treat all people with respect, acting and reacting with Christian love and understanding in all situations.

I also understand that...

- ...I will be subject to a background check, including criminal history, and that the personal information will be held confidential by the Elders of the church. I authorize the background check to be repeated as needed.
- ...a violation of this covenant may result in removal from my position as a volunteer.

Print Name _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of parent/guardian, if minor _____ Date _____

Applicant Checklist

(office use only)

Background Checks: WSP _____ National _____

Reference Checks 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Interview date _____ by _____

Authorization for Background Check

I authorize **Elk Plain Community Church** to solicit background information relative to my criminal record history. I understand that **Elk Plain Community Church** may make inquiries into my background that may include motor vehicle records, personal references, criminal records, and any other public record reports pertaining to me.

I authorize, without any reservation, any person, agency, or other entity contacted by **Elk Plain Community Church**, or their agent, for purposes of obtaining background report information to furnish the above-mentioned information.

I release **Elk Plain Community Church**, their respective employees, or agents, and employees of their agents and all persons, agencies and entities providing information or reports about me from any and all liability arising out of furnishing any such information.

Personal Information (please print)		
First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:
Other Name(s) Used:		Gender:
Social Security Number:	Telephone Number:	Date of Birth:
Email:	Driver's License Number/State Issued:	
Current Address		
Street Address:	City:	State & Zip:
Previous Address		
Street Address:	City:	State & Zip:
Signature:		Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature, if minor		
Signature:		Date:

Residents of Washington State only:

Under state law you have a right to request a copy of the Washington Fair Credit Reporting Act's disclosure to consumers (RCW 19.182.070) and a copy of your report by contacting Protect My Ministry directly.

Elk Plain Children's Ministry Volunteer Form

This application is to be completed by all those desiring a ministry position involving the supervision or custody of minors or mentally disabled. It is being used to help the church provide a safe and secure environment for those who participate in our programs and use of our facilities.

Personal Information:

Name _____ Date _____
 Home # _____ Cell # _____ Email _____
 Spouse's Name _____ Cell # _____
 Names & Ages of children at home _____
 Occupation, Place of Employment, Phone # _____

The questions listed below are a part of our interview process in order to help provide a safe and secure environment for our children. All information is held strictly confidential by the Elder board at EPCC. Answering yes to any of the questions may not necessarily preclude your involvement in the Children's Ministry. Thank you for your understanding.

Have you been convicted for use or sale of illegal drugs? _____
 Have you ever been hospitalized or treated for alcohol or substance abuse? _____
 Have you ever been arrested for a criminal offense? _____
 Have you ever been accused, arrested, or convicted for any sexually related crimes? _____
 Are there any circumstances involving your lifestyle or your background that would call into question your ability to work with children? _____
 If you answered yes to any of the questions above please explain _____

*All volunteers are subject to a background check, including criminal history, before being placed in a classroom.

General Information:

When did you begin attending EPCC? _____
 Please list any EPCC Ministries you are currently involved in _____

Please list any other area(s) of ministry you desire to be involved in? _____

Age Preference _____ Nursery _____ Preschool _____ Elementary
 _____ Junior High _____ High School
 Program Preference _____ Sunday School _____ Children's Church _____ Youth Group
 _____ AWANA

Experience:

Do you have any medical training or are you CPR certified? _____ Explain _____

What leadership/volunteer experience have you had with children? Please list (identify place, type of work and supervisor) _____

List any gifts, training, education, or other factors that have prepared you to work with children _____

Personal References (must be over 18 years old and not related to you):

Name _____	Relationship _____
Address _____	Phone Number _____
City, State, Zip _____	Email _____

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Name _____

Date _____

Please complete this section if you are interested in a lead/ teaching role. If you need more room for the answers you may attach an additional sheet.

Personal & Biblical Questions:

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? _____ Briefly describe _____

Have you been baptized and, if so, when? _____ Also, what is the role of baptism? _____

What do you believe about the Bible? _____

Do you believe that the Bible is inerrant, without errors? _____

Who is the Father? _____

Who is the Son? _____

Who is the Holy Spirit? _____

How did the world and life come into existence and approximately how long did it take? _____

Who is Satan? _____

What is death and why do we experience it? _____

Do you believe in a literal heaven and a literal hell? Why? _____

What does it mean to be saved? _____

What would you say to someone who wants to know how they can be saved? _____

Are there any other ways to be saved? _____

What do you believe about the work of the Holy Spirit? _____

What does the Bible say about homosexuality and what is your opinion? _____

What is your personal conviction regarding the consumption of alcoholic beverages? _____

What is your personal conviction regarding the use of tobacco? _____

What is your personal conviction regarding the use of recreational drugs like marijuana? _____

What is your personal conviction regarding sexual intimacy before or outside of marriage? _____

