

Child Protection Policy Covenant Statement

(for use with non-church sponsored groups)

In accordance with the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church Child Protection/Safe Sanctuary policy, each non-church related group or organization where there are children and/or youth under the age of 18 years old present, an agreement form must be reviewed and signed by the listed group leader/leaders.

1. Stout Memorial United Methodist Church has a Child Protection policy in place. A copy of our policy has been attached to this statement for the leader/leaders of each event to study. The event leader(s) are responsible for understanding the policy and uphold to the fullest the policy in place.
2. It is the responsibility of the group or organizations leader(s) to inform fellow leaders and volunteers of the policy in place for Child Protection. It is of the utmost importance for everyone to be informed of and made familiar with the policy to be followed.
3. Background checks, or a completed list of those individuals who have been screened and approved to serve or volunteer, must be provided to the Child Protection Coordinator of Stout Memorial United Methodist Church. These will be kept confidential and stored in a locked file. Refusal to submit to a background check or provide a copy of prior screening will result in denial or termination of the Facilities Use Agreement.

Name of Group/Organization _____

Group Leader Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I have studied the Child Protection Policy of Stout Memorial United Methodist church and am prepared to inform my fellow leaders and volunteers of the policy.

I agree to follow and uphold the Child Protection Policy of Stout Memorial United Methodist church.

Facility User Leader(s) Signatures

_____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

Child Protection Coordinator _____

Date _____