

INUMC Emerging Leaders Team Covenant

We are the Indiana Conference Emerging Leaders Team and as such we represent our families, the people of our Districts, local churches and agencies who choose us to be their representatives. To honor God and those persons we represent we are challenged to live at the highest Christian moral standard as possible at all times.

It is expected that this Covenant will be a part of our daily life even when apart from INUMC Emerging Leaders Conference related events and meetings.

The benefit of living in covenant is an increased depth to our community and to each person's personal life. Living in covenant provides for, and creates, an atmosphere in which all persons are cared for and respected in the highest manner possible while honoring God.

The Covenant: as a member of the INUMC Emerging Leaders Team, I covenant with its members to adhere to the following while participating in INUMC related activities, and will use the covenant as a guide for my everyday life.

- a. I will be at all meetings and events listed on the Emerging Leaders Team schedule in accordance with my role on the Core Team or Events Team. If I am unable to attend a meeting or an event I will submit a written reason as to why I am unable to attend. Further, I will honor those who selected me by making every effort to be in attendance. I understand that I must be at the meeting for 70% of the waking time for it to count as a full meeting. **I understand that missing more than two meetings/events/activities will possibly result in my removal from the team. I have received the schedule with these dates.**
- b. I am a member of a leadership team, and as such I will seek to come to meetings with an open-mind, a listening ear, a loving heart, and a willing spirit.
- c. I am a member of a leadership team for the United Methodist Church and as such I will seek to grow as a spiritual leader through increasing my commitment to personal prayer and Bible Study. I will join with others to encourage, pray for, and support all Emerging Leaders team members in deepening their commitment throughout the year.
- d. I will also seek to grow spiritually through attending worship regularly at my local church. The church listed on my application is the church where I regularly attend.
- e. I will not leave any INUMC Emerging Leaders meeting or event without a signed written note from a parent/guardian. I will have a signed written note from my parent/guardian for each meeting if I will be riding with anyone other than my parent/guardian from meetings/events. Further, I will seek to show respect for my family by keeping them informed of all meetings, activities and events.
- f. I will leave each place better than I found it.
- g. As a responsible member of the team, my Christian values, beliefs and morals will be evident to those around me, including those I correspond with via face to face, email, texting or social media, through my actions and words.
- h. As a member of the team, I will do everything I can, with God's help, to witness to the power of God in my life as a witness for Jesus Christ by the way I behave, talk, listen, and respond to others.
- i. **I will respond promptly to all INUMC Emerging Leaders correspondence and communication. By taking these mailings seriously, I am taking responsibility for my participation on this INUMC Conference Team.**

I agree, as an Emerging Leaders Team Member, to live by this covenant. I understand that failure to live in this covenant will result in, at least, a consultation with the Associate Director of Leadership Development – Emerging Leaders, and, at most, possible removal from the INUMC Emerging Leader Team.

Team Member Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____