



# LIGHTHOUSE CONGREGATION COVENANT

*"You are the light of the world..."  
-(Matthew 5:14a)*

**A Lighthouse Congregation in Indiana clearly communicates we have "A Place for You" by being committed to:**

- Remaining United Methodist and supporting the mission of The United Methodist Church.
- Providing a vibrant hospitality/welcoming ministry with ongoing training for the congregation and ministry volunteers.
- Offering a safe and hospitable space for healing, peace, and rest for those who have been hurt or wounded by the church as a result of conflict, division, judgement, or abuse.
- Offering opportunities to engage in the congregation's ministries of worship, discipleship, mission/service, and fellowship without pressure or expectation.
- Offering support through pastoral care and prayer, as well as access to space and resources, including financial.
- Providing information regarding conference and district resources (programs and staff), particularly when needs for support and resourcing exceed what the Lighthouse Congregation is able to provide.
- Providing (and keeping current) a "bio" (not to exceed 100 words) that can be included on the Conference website to give those seeking a Lighthouse Congregation a better picture of your congregation's identity and unique ministries.

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Church Name

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District

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County

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Senior Pastor (print)

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Board/Council Chair (print)

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Senior Pastor (signature)

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Board/Council Chair (signature)

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Date of Board/Council approval

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Conference Superintendent (signature)

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Date