



# Children's Ministry Volunteer Application

**THANK YOU** for choosing to serve in the children's ministry as a member of our life-changing team. We consider it a privilege to minister to kids here at Grasslands Church. It's never babysitting, but truly ministry to kids from birth to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Each child has the ability to impact the kingdom now. We want to come alongside families and see a passion for Jesus and His purposes released in everyone.

***Please complete and return the attached application.***

The information contained in this application will be kept confidential but will be disclosed only to those who have a genuine need to know in order to carry out their responsibility for/in Grasslands Church or as required by law. The purpose of obtaining this information is to protect both our volunteers and the children.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Are you 18 years or older? \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Stakeholder at Grasslands Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Who is your Community Group leader? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to serve in the children's ministry?

Though it is not required, what prior experience do you have working with children?

What are your natural and/or spiritual giftings?

What age group do you prefer working with (0-3, 4-6 or 7 and up)?

NOTE: We try to accommodate as much as possible.

**Legal Questionnaire:**

For the protection of the children, we must ask the following questions. Answering "yes" will not automatically disqualify you for this ministry, but we ask that you please attach a written explanation for all "yes" answers.

1. Have you been convicted of an offense other than a minor traffic violation(s)? yes  no
2. Have you ever been convicted of a sexual offense, offense relating to children, abuse, or crime of violence (that is not covered in question 1)? yes  no
3. Have you ever been sexually abused, or been the victim of abuse in any form? If so, describe any counseling you have received for that. yes  no
4. Have you ever been the subject of any disciplinary action, transfer or dismissal, as a result of an accident or mishap involving children? yes  no
5. Have you ever been accused, charged or alleged to have committed any act of neglecting, abusing or molesting any child? yes  no
6. Have you ever been subject to any disciplinary action (including discharge) or investigation by a church, religious or other organization, or by an employer? yes  no
7. Do you have any drug, alcohol or substance abuse problems; or has anyone ever suggested that you may have a problem? yes  no
8. Have you been concerned that you may have an addiction to pornography; or has anyone ever suggested that you may have a problem? yes  no
9. Are you practicing a sexual lifestyle that would not be considered God-honouring? yes  no
10. Are you currently taking medication for any emotional disorders? yes  no
11. In the past 6 months, have you been hospitalized due to a mental or emotional disorder? yes  no
12. Is there anything else going on in your life that you need some pastoral help working through; or you believe that we should know? yes  no

I understand that to verify my suitability as a volunteer worker for the children's ministry Grasslands Church will request a criminal records search. I understand that the personal information will be held confidential by the children's directors and church leadership. As a volunteer worker in the children's ministry of Grasslands Church I agree to observe and abide by the policies and safeguards measures in the Grasslands Plan to Protect.

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

REFERENCES: Please provide the contact information for 3 personal references.

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you known this person? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Volunteer's Statement:**

The responses I have provided in completing this application form are complete, truthful and accurate. I hereby authorize Grasslands Church to make inquiries concerning my background and authorize all persons associated with me, including churches, employers, law enforcement agencies, licensing and social services agencies, to release any information contained in their files or records concerning me to Grasslands Church and its representatives.

- I declare that I have not engaged in sexual abuse, or a pattern of physical, emotional, or spiritual abuse, or neglect of a child. If I have been the subject of an allegation of a complaint, disciplinary action or dismissal due to such acts, regardless of the outcome of the allegation, I have notified Grasslands Church.
- I understand my responsibility to verbally report abuse and other inappropriate conduct toward a child to my ministry team leader, a pastor or elder of Grasslands Church.
- I understand Grasslands Church takes allegations of child abuse seriously and that abuse in any form will not be tolerated. I understand that Grasslands Church will cooperate with civil authorities in the investigation of any report of abuse.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Received by Grasslands Church \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_