

**Black Mountain Presbyterian Church APPLICATION**  
**TO BECOME AN APPROVED ADULT**

This application is a mandatory part of a process to assist the congregation in providing a safe, nurturing Christian environment for our children/youth. Persons responsible for the supervision and care of our children/youth are in a special position of trust and confidence. An approved adult is a BMPC member over 21 years of age who has satisfied the training and screening requirements of the Child Safety Policy, including a background check. An approved adult is authorized to provide overnight and off-site supervision of children in accordance with the terms of this policy.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

*Please attach photographic identification, e.g., copy of driver's license.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you 21 years of age or older?     Yes     No

**CHURCH OR CHILD-RELATED WORK**

(1) List your talents, training, education, etc., that might help enrich the lives of our children/youth.

Describe the type of work you prefer.

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(2) Name and address of church (if any) of which you are now a member, if other than this congregation.

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(3) When did you join Black Mountain Presbyterian Church? (MM/DD/YYYY if you know it)

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(4) Names and addresses of all churches you have attended on a regular basis at any time during the last five years.

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(5) Describe any church work you have done with children/youth during the last five years. Include the church's name, city, and year(s) of participation.

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(6) Describe any non-church related work you have done with children/youth during the last five years. Include the organization's name, city, and year(s) of participation.

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**Before answering questions 7 through 11 on this application, please read the Child Protection Policy of Black Mountain Presbyterian Church and the page attached to this application on which appear definitions of child abuse and child sexual abuse and exploitation. In the questions below, the words "abuse," "abusing a child" and "child abuse" are intended to include the conduct described in the definitions.**

(7) Is there any reason why you should not work with children/youth?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain.

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(8) Have you ever abused a child/youth (a person less than 18 years of age)?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain.

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(9) Have you ever been accused of abusing a child/youth?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain.

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(10) Have you ever been involved in a child abuse investigation as a witness, alleged victim, or alleged abuser?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain.

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(11) Have you ever been arrested for, convicted of, or plead guilty to a criminal offense against a person?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain

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**PREVIOUS TRAINING**

(12) Have you had any training in child abuse prevention within the last three years? \_\_\_\_ yes; \_\_\_\_ no.

If so, when was the training, \_\_\_\_\_ how many hours, \_\_\_\_\_ what was the content, \_\_\_\_\_

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and who provided the leadership? \_\_\_\_\_.

Please provide a certificate if you have one.

**PERSONAL REFERENCES**

(13) Give the name, address, and phone number of two persons, not relatives, who have known you for at least five years.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_

**I agree that the information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.**

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

**APPLICANT'S PERMISSION FOR THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICANT AND APPLICANT'S RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AGAINST PERSONS OR ENTITIES THAT DISCLOSE INFORMATION OR GIVE OPINIONS ABOUT THE APPLICANT**

I understand and agree that the congregation may contact the churches and references identified above and others who may be identified by those listed above. I authorize these references or churches or others to give you any information (including opinions) that they may have regarding my character and fitness for work with children/youth. I also understand and agree that law enforcement authorities or any other person or entity with access to records of criminal arrests or convictions may be contacted during the consideration of this application. I authorize these law enforcement authorities or any other person or entity to provide information regarding criminal arrests or convictions. In consideration of the receipt and evaluation of this application by the congregation, I hereby release the congregation and any individual, church, youth organization, employer, reference, or any other person or entity, including record custodians, both collectively and individually, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind or nature which may at any time result to me, my heirs, or family, on account of any person's or entity's disclosure of information about me or the expression of an opinion about me. I further state that I have carefully read the foregoing release and understand its content. I am signing this release freely and voluntarily.

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

