



Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.

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CHURCH ACTIVITY WAIVER (Adult)

I, _____ (print name) understand this waiver includes all activities hosted by **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** that I **choose** to participate in for the 2023 calendar year. I further agree and understand this waiver will expire December 31, 2023 at 11:59pm.

- 1. Agreement to Follow Directions:** I agree to observe and obey all posted rules and warnings, further agree to follow any oral or written instructions or directions given by employees, representatives or agents of **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** and any other guidelines listed according to the areas activities will be facilitated.
- 2. Assumptions of the Risks of Release:** I recognize that there are certain inherent risks associated with my participating in activities and I assume full responsibility for personal injury to myself and further release and discharge **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** for injury, loss, or damage arising out of my engagement, presence upon the facilities of any location activities may take place, whether caused by the fault of myself, **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** or other third parties.
- 3. Fees:** I agree to pay for all damages to facilities caused by any negligent, reckless or willful actions by me.
- 4. Applicable Law:** Any legal or equitable claim that may arise from participation in the above shall be resolved under Florida law.
- 5. No Duress:** I agree I am under no pressure or duress to sign this agreement and I have been given a reasonable opportunity to review it before signing. I further acknowledge and agree I am free to have my own legal counsel review this agreement if I so desire. I further agree and acknowledge that **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** will not reimburse any fees I have paid if I choose to have legal counsel review this agreement.
- 6. Enforceability:** Should any or more of the provisions of this agreement be determined to be illegal or unenforceable, all other provisions, nevertheless, shall remain effective and binding.
- 7. Emergency Contact:** Should I require immediate or emergency medical care while engaged in activity, I hereby grant the Apostle, Melinda Jones Sutton, or another authorized party from the leadership of **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee doing business as Divine Glory Ministries, Inc.** the authority to determine reasonable action under any circumstance that I am incoherent.

STATEMENT OF FAITH ON SEXUAL IMMORALITY

We believe that God has established marriage as a lifelong, exclusive relationship between one man and one woman and that all intimate sexual activity outside the marriage relationship, whether heterosexual, homosexual, or otherwise, is immoral and therefore sin (Gen. 2:24-25; Ex. 20:14, 17, 22:19; Lev. 18:22-23, 20:13, 15-16; Matt. 19:4-6, 9; Rom. 1:18-31; I Cor. 6:9-10, 15-20; I Tim. 1:8-11; Jude 7). We believe that God created the human race male and female and that all conduct with the intent to adopt a gender other than one's birth gender is immoral and therefore sin (Gen. 1:27; Deut. 22:5).¹ We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.

Any members of the church cannot serve in any capacity if they are engaging in immoral sexual activity and are unrepentant.

We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. Rejection of one's biological gender is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning and that is marriage sanctioned by God which joins one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture.

We believe that any form of sexual immorality (including adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, pornography, and attempting to change one's biological sex, identity or otherwise acting upon any disagreement with one's biological sex) is sinful and offensive to God.

We believe that in order to preserve the function and integrity of the church as the local Body of Christ, and to provide a biblical role model to the church members and the community, it is imperative that all persons employed by the church in any capacity, or who serve as volunteers who represent Bethlehem Baptist Church of Tallahassee Doing Business as Divine Glory Ministries Inc., should abide by and agree to this Statement on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality and conduct themselves accordingly.

We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

We believe that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity. Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be rejected and are not in accord with scripture nor the doctrines of the church.

PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

Participant's Last Name, First Name: _____

Name Allergies: _____

Telephone number(s): _____

Emergency Contact Last Name, First Name, & relationship:

Emergency Contact's Phone Number: _____

Health Insurance Company Name: _____

Health Insurance Company Phone Number: _____

Health Insurance Policy/ ID Number: _____

Health Insurance Group Number: _____

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY. THIS WAIVER IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION. BY SIGNING THIS WAIVER YOU HEREBY GIVE UP ALL RIGHTS TO MAKE CLAIMS AGAINST BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH OF TALLAHASSEE DOING BUSINESS AS DIVINE GLORY MINISTRIES, INC.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____