

Highland Presbyterian Church – Youth Ministries  
Covenant of Conduct

I will be a living example of God’s love for others. I will seek, in all I do, to follow the example of Jesus who did not come to be served, but to serve.

I will be open to the surprising work of God, even when it comes through the unexpected, such as bad food, exhausting work and people who are different from me.

I will live in the context of a Christian community, showing respect and attentive love to each person within our group and persons we meet. I will strive to be flexible and put the needs of the group ahead of my own needs.

I will keep my focus on the group and the work we have committed to do by refraining from using electronics at all times, unless otherwise designated by the group leader.

I will honor the group, and the importance of the work we will be doing by participating fully in all activities, by working to the best of my ability and by living within the basic behavioral guidelines for the trip (respecting the privacy of others, not wandering off from the group, following all directions given by adults, leaders, etc.)

I will avoid bringing any items, participating in any actions or holding any attitudes that might detract from the building of Christian community or the mission we have been sent to accomplish (including but not limited to weapons, illegal drugs, tobacco, alcohol, complaining, gossip, profanity, etc.)

I will honor the cultural context in which we will be serving by practicing gratitude for the food we are served, welcoming different expressions of Christian worship joyfully, dressing with extreme sensitivity to the standards of dress of those near us, and showing compassion for the economic situation of the people we are serving by only spending money as deemed appropriate by the leaders of the mission program.

I will strive to leave each place our group touches a little better than it was before we came, whether on the mission site, in the bus, on an airplane, or at Highland.

In the unlikely event I choose to disregard any portion of this covenant, I understand that I may be asked to make appropriate restitution for my actions or sent home, prior to the trip’s end, at my expense.

This covenant is committed to by:

Youth’s Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_