



## PRINCIPLES OF PERSONAL CONDUCT, LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

### Introduction

Every servant in Street Life Ministries, regardless of title or duties, is expected to know, accept and abide by the principles set forth in this document.

Street Life Ministries relies first and foremost on the Word of God as revealed in the Bible as the highest authority in all matters. No other authority stands above God's Word in any area of life.

The content of this document is, by no means, a comprehensive list of possible issues. It is, instead, an effort to anticipate, identify and clarify a few, major issues and applicable principles.

While some of the content of this document may appear repetitive, a closer examination will reveal subtle but significant differences. Simply stated, while the standards of conduct are the same for each of the three groupings, leaders, individual contributors and participants, our expectations relative to those standards are different for each group.



## Leaders

A leader is one whose ministry service includes teaching, preaching, leading worship, supervision of others, preparation of procedures and/or training of a group or other ministry leader. Leaders in the ministry may hold a ministry position with one of the following titles: director, coordinator, site captain, table captain, worship leader.

Street Life Ministry leaders are expected to lead by example and persuasion. They must visibly demonstrate Christian character and influence others to do the same. They are required to clearly and consistently abide by the standards of conduct and are to exemplify attitudes and behaviors of growth in abstinence from sin.

Every leader in the ministry is encouraged to grow in godliness and to endeavor to recognize and refrain from sin.

Two basic principles shall be observed and practiced by every leader in Street Life Ministries:

Every effort must be made to avoid even the appearance of impropriety.

No speech or action should be undertaken which might reasonably be expected to give rise to unnecessary controversy or conflict.

All who lead in the ministry shall practice the following:

Integrity in personal and family relationships.

Integrity in business and ministry relationships.

Honesty and accountability in all matters.

Courtesy and respect in all interactions.

Personal modesty in attire, speech and behavior.

Good stewardship in the use of and care for ministry funds and property.

Cheerful cooperation.

All who lead in the ministry shall abstain from the following:

Intoxication through drugs, alcohol or inhalants.

Pornography.

Sexual contact outside of heterosexual marriage.

Any speech or contact of an overtly sexual or sexually suggestive nature.

Any form of physical or verbal abuse



## Individual Contributors

An individual contributor is one whose ministry service is limited to activities which do not require teaching, preaching, leading worship, supervision of others, preparation of procedures or training of a group. The individual contributor may hold a ministry position with one of the following titles: cook, accent cook, driver, food server, scheduler, site assistant, clothing and donations assistant, or any position of similar scope as yet undefined.

Individual contributors should aspire to learn and grow in Christian character. They are strongly encouraged to abide by the standards of conduct and to improve in abstaining from sin.

Every servant in the ministry is strongly encouraged to grow in godliness and to endeavor to recognize and refrain from sin.

Two basic principles should be observed and practiced by every servant in Street Life Ministries:

Every effort must be made to avoid even the appearance of impropriety.

No speech or action should be undertaken which might reasonably be expected to give rise to unnecessary controversy or conflict.

All who serve in the ministry are strongly encouraged to practice the following:

Integrity in personal and family relationships.

Honesty and accountability in all matters.

Courtesy and respect in all interactions.

Personal modesty in attire, speech and behavior.

Good stewardship in the use of and care for ministry funds and property.

Cheerful cooperation.

All who serve in the ministry are strongly encouraged to abstain from the following:

Intoxication through drugs, alcohol or inhalants.

Pornography.

Sexual contact outside of heterosexual marriage.

All who serve in the ministry are required to refrain from the following:

Any speech or contact of an overtly sexual or sexually suggestive nature.

Any form of physical or verbal abuse



## Standards of Personal Conduct for Participants

Each participant in a Street Life Ministries activity is encouraged to learn and grow in godliness and to endeavor to recognize and refrain from sin.

The standards below are suggested as a guide for personal conduct.

Two basic principles should be observed and practiced by every participant in any Street Life Ministries activity:

Every effort must be made to avoid even the appearance of impropriety.

No speech or action should be undertaken which might reasonably be expected to give rise to unnecessary controversy or conflict.

Each participant in a Street Life Ministries activity ought to consider practicing the following:

Integrity in personal and family relationships.

Integrity in business and ministry relationships.

Honesty and accountability in all matters.

Courtesy and respect in all interactions.

Personal modesty in attire, speech and behavior.

Good stewardship in the use of and care for ministry funds and property.

Cheerful cooperation.

Each participant in a Street Life Ministries activity ought to consider refraining from the following:

Intoxication through drugs, alcohol or inhalants.

Pornography.

Sexual contact outside of heterosexual marriage.

Each participant in a Street Life Ministries activity is required to refrain from the following:

Any speech or contact of an overtly sexual or sexually suggestive nature.

Any form of physical or verbal abuse