



PARK STREET
BRETHREN CHURCH

Dear Park Street Volunteer,

Thank you so much for your interest in volunteering with the Kid's Ministry. It is an exciting time at Park Street and within the Kid's Ministries and we look forward to your participation!

As a member of the team you will have an opportunity to help lead kids into a discovery of what it means to develop a relationship with God. You will help guide kids beyond having Biblical "knowledge" to living a Biblical lifestyle. In other words, you will be a part of teaching kids how God works in the story of Scripture and the story of their lives all while having FUN at church!

We take serving the children at Park Street very seriously, and we trust you will appreciate the process we have in place to make sure we have qualified volunteers working with children. The process to become a volunteer is:

- Observe in the ministry environment/s that you are interested in
- Submit a Leadership Application, Covenant form, and Background Check consent form
- Talk with Park Street's Children's Director
- On the job training with an existing volunteer

Enclosed are the forms referenced above. Please fill out and sign the forms and return to me as soon as possible. You can drop off or mail them to Park Street Brethren Church, 619 Park Street Ashland, OH 44805, or scan them in and e-mail to me at leah@parkstreetbrethren.org.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or if I can assist you in this process. We look forward to working with you and appreciate your willingness to give yourself away in order to help ignite a revolution in the next generation!

Leah Sprague
Children's Director
Park Street Brethren Church



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VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

KID'S MINISTRY



After you complete this, please drop it off at the Kid's Welcome Desk, or drop it off in the office at 619 Park Street.

THANKS

for checking us out!

This is a fun place to serve with a wide variety of ways to get involved. As a part of the team, you'll have the opportunity to have an impact on dozens of kids and families who walk through our doors every week. If all this sounds good, keep reading.

WHAT'S THE PROCESS?

We'll process your application.

Once you've submitted this application, we will process your background check, contact your references and keep you updated on the progress.

Invite a friend.

Observe and join a team with a friend. This helps make the process more fun and more comfortable for both of you. This isn't required, but let us know if a friend will join you.

Observe.

We'll contact you to observe in a specific area. You'll serve alongside experienced volunteers who will show you the ropes. You can check out several areas until you find the best fit for you. You may begin observing before your application is fully processed, but please know, if you sign up to observe, we are counting on you. So please show up.

Join a team.

After your application has been processed, you will select a team. At this time, you'll be given instructions and guidelines specific to your team.

Questions?

For more information check out parkstreetbrethren.com/kids. If you still have questions, call 419.289.0224, and ask to speak to Leah Sprague or email, leah@parkstreetbrethren.org

CAN STUDENTS VOLUNTEER?

The short answer is yes. The long answer is that we understand that there are lots of areas for growth at Park Street. Students that want to serve in Kid's Ministry must have parent consent in order to serve. We won't put a requirement on how often you must attend youth classes and gatherings but just as we keep our adults accountable to keeping themselves spiritually healthy and growing through prayer, Bible Study and accountability, we have to hold that standard for our student helpers as well. If we hear of concerns from our youth pastor or your parents we may revisit your volunteer status.



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Kid's Ministry Volunteer Application Form

We are thrilled by your interest in volunteering at Park Street. Without volunteers our church would simply not exist. We are convinced that there is nothing else quite as special as serving others and the cause of Park Street in this way. Blessings on you as you begin this adventure with us. Completing this application form will help us help you find a place that fits your abilities and experience, provide a safe place for everyone who attends and enable the church to better fulfill its mission.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First: _____ Last: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Email: _____ Birth Date: _____ - _____ - _____

Street Address _____ Apt. _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Cell Phone Carrier: _____ May we send automated text reminders ___ YES ___ NO

Occupation _____ Work Phone _____ - _____ - _____

Place of Employment _____

Marital Status _____ Spouse's Name _____

Children's Names & Birthdates:

1.) _____ / _____ / _____ 3.) _____ / _____ / _____

2.) _____ / _____ / _____ 4.) _____ / _____ / _____

SPIRITUAL HISTORY

At Park Street we welcome people at any place on their spiritual journey. Whether you are a spiritual explorer or have been a committed follower of Jesus for some time there is a place for you to serve.

How often do you attend Park Street services? _____

How long have you attended Park Street? _____

Which service do you attend? _____ During which service would you like to serve? _____

Can you describe briefly your spiritual journey to this point?

Are you a Park Street Member? Yes: _____ No: _____

LIFESTYLE

In order to provide a safe and secure environment for everybody at Park Street, we believe it is necessary to include the following questions as part of our application process. All information will be kept strictly confidential. (Police may access this information under warrant, if requested) Answering "yes" to any of the questions may not necessarily preclude your involvement in ministry. A meeting will be arranged with a Ministry Leader so that you may discuss the circumstances. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

If any of the following circumstances apply to you, please check the box below.

____ Have been accused or convicted of a criminal offense involving children.

____ Have been accused or convicted of a sexually related crime.

____ Have been accused or convicted of an abuse related crime.

What prompted you to fill out an application and check us out?

Any special talents, abilities, skills or experiences that may be helpful? (Juggling, fire eating, acting, or making weird noises with your armpit count.) Seriously, we want to know your secret talents.

SKILLS & AREAS OF INTEREST

What areas most interest you? (Check all that apply)

___ SERVING IN A CLASSROOM

___ PREPPING ROOMS
(Organize/restock rooms, prep lesson supplies, clean toys, etc.)

___ WELCOMING NEW FAMILIES (Check-In)

___ SPECIAL EVENTS
(Fun Fabulous Friday cook or helper, communion, Town Halls)

___ WORSHIP (lead w/instrument or videos)

Want to serve directly with kids? What age do you prefer? (Check all that apply)

Nursery (Birth - 2)

Second/Third Grade

Preschool (2-PreK)

Fourth/Fifth Grade

Kindergarten/First Grade

REFERENCES

Please provide the names of three individuals, excluding relatives, who could provide a reference for you. If you are a minor, you may use the name of a parent and/or teacher. If possible, include at least one reference from inside the church.

1. Name of Reference _____

Relationship _____ Years Known: _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

2. Name of Reference _____

Relationship _____ Years Known: _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

3. Name of Reference _____

Relationship _____ Years Known: _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

I understand and agree that my position with Park Street is at will. This means that Park Street is free to conclude my service at any time, with or without advance notice, and for any reason, and that I am free to resign from service at any time, with or without advance notice, and for any reason. I agree to respect the policies of Park Street and its leadership.

I hereby acknowledge that the information contained in this application for volunteering is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize any references listed in this application to give you any information they may have regarding my character and fitness for volunteering, and I release all such references from liability for any damage that may result from furnishing such evaluation to you.

If I am to be serving with children under 18 years of age I understand that a Criminal Records Check is to be completed. PSBC will cover this cost. I consent to such an investigation with the understanding that the results will be kept in extreme confidence.

I also understand that I represent Christ and Park Street in my volunteering at the church. I am prepared to temporarily remove myself if there is a problem in my life that could undermine my witness and damage Park Street's reputation. I understand that I will be contacted by the Children's Director before full acceptance into ministry.

I resolve to volunteer within the Park Street community to the best of my ability, participating in training as needed, serving in partnership, supporting and affirming the gifts and ministries of others, and building up the Park Street community by acting in love toward others.

NAME (PRINT) _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

WHAT AM I COMMITTING TO?

My partnership with Park Street Kids's Ministries includes the following:

- A one year commitment to serve in Kid's Ministry.
- Regularly attending adult worship services.
- Keeping myself spiritually healthy and growing through prayer, Bible Study and accountability.
- Championing unity in the church and agreeing not to teach or practice that which is contrary to the teachings of Park Street Brethren Church
- Participating in leadership development opportunities provided by my ministry.
- Seeking the counsel of my ministry leader if I have any struggles that might affect the ministry.

Name (print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

DISCLOSURE and AUTHORIZATION – BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION

In connection with my application for employment or to serve as a volunteer with Park Street Brethren Church (“Client”), I understand that a “consumer report” and/or “investigative consumer report”, as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act, will be requested by Client for employment or volunteer purposes, whichever is applicable, from Protect My Ministry, Inc., (“Protect My Ministry”), a consumer reporting agency as defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act. These reports may include information as to my character, general reputation, personal characteristics or mode of living, whichever are applicable. They may involve interviews with sources such as my neighbors, friends or associates. The report may also contain information about me relating to my criminal history, credit history, driving and/or motor vehicle records, social security number verification, verification of education or employment history, worker’s compensation (only after a conditional job offer) or other background checks. Such reports may be obtained at any time after receipt of this Disclosure and Authorization and if I am hired or serve as a volunteer, whichever is applicable, throughout the course of my employment or volunteer service, as permitted by law and unless revoked by me in writing. I understand that I have the right, upon written request made within a reasonable amount time after the receipt of this notice, to request disclosure of the nature and scope of any investigative consumer report to Protect My Ministry, Inc., 14499 N. Dale Mabry Hwy., Suite 201 South, Tampa, FL 33618 or 1-800-319-5581. For information about Protect My Ministry’s privacy practices, see www.protectmyministry.com.

Acknowledgement and Authorization

By signing below, I voluntarily and knowingly authorize Client or its authorized agents to obtain or prepare consumer reports or investigative consumer reports about me. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of *A Summary of Your Rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act* and certify that I have read this Disclosure and Authorization as well as the summary explaining my rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

Residents of Minnesota and Oklahoma only:

Under state law you have a right to receive a copy of your consumer report, free of charge, if one is required by Client. By checking the below box, a copy will be provided to you at the address you provide on this Disclosure and Authorization.

- I wish to receive a copy of any consumer report on me that is requested.

Residents of New York only:

Under state law you have the right to inspect and receive a copy of any investigative consumer report requested by Client by contacting Protect My Ministry directly. You also acknowledge receipt of a copy of Article 23-A of the New York Correction Law by checking the below box.

- I acknowledge receipt of a copy of Article 23-A of the New York Correction Law.

Residents of Washington State only:

Under state law you have a right to request a copy of the Washington Fair Credit Reporting Act’s disclosure to consumers (RCW 19.182.070) and a copy of your report by contacting Protect My Ministry directly.

Residents of California and Maine only:

Under state law you have a right to receive a copy of your investigative consumer report and/or consumer credit report, free of charge, if one is requested by Client. By checking the box below a copy of your report will be provided to you at the address you provide on this Disclosure and Authorization.

- I wish to receive a copy of any report on me that is requested.

Signature

TODAY'S DATE _____

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE NAME/INITIAL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ COUNTY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

SSN

D/L or STATE ID

STATE ISSUED

EMAIL ADDRESS

For identification purposes only, please provide FULL DOB: _____

Please List Other Names Used _____

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