

**First Baptist Church**  
1290 32nd St.  
Allegan, MI 49010  
269-673-5321

**Application to Serve**

**First Baptist Church requires all volunteers that work in any of our children's ministries to:**  
1. Complete this application **and**  
2. Submit 2 reference sheets to the church office **PRIOR** to working in any of our children or teens ministries.  
3. A background check will be run by the church office **PRIOR** to working in these areas as well..

**Personal Information**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle initial \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth (m/d/y) \_\_\_\_\_

Male  Female

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, state, zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's license # \_\_\_\_\_ State issuing \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status:  single  married  divorced  widowed

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been attending First Baptist? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a church? \_\_\_\_ If yes, name & location of church \_\_\_\_\_

List any other churches you have attended in the last 5 years \_\_\_\_\_

List any previous ministry work or leadership roles: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate age group/ministry in which you are interested. If more than one, rank by preference.**

- nursery  preschool  grades 1-6  junior high  high school  college
- young married  men's ministry  women's ministry  adult small group ministry
- worship ministry

**In which of the following areas do you have interest and/or experience:**

- teaching/storytelling  drama  crafts  hospitality/greeting  leading worship
- leading games  helper  tech team  small group leader  special needs 1-on-1
- setup/teardown  leadership  other skills/interests \_\_\_\_\_

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**Personal References**

List adults you have known for at least one year, who are not related to you, and who have good knowledge of your character and ability to work with children (if applying for a ministry area that works with children) and other adults (if applying for adult ministry).

1.  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time known \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

2.  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time known \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Statement**

*I recognize that First Baptist church is relying on the accuracy of the information I provide on the Application to Serve form. Accordingly, I attest and affirm that the information I have provided is absolutely true and correct.*

*I authorize the organization to contact any person or entity listed on the Application to Serve form and I further authorize any such person or entity to provide the organization with information, opinions, and Impressions relating to my background or qualifications.*

*I voluntarily release the organization and any such person or entity listed on the Application to Serve form from liability involving the communication of information relating to my background or qualifications. I further authorize the organization to conduct a criminal background investigation.*

*Reports containing details of a crime related to assault, battery, abuse or sexual misconduct will automatically disqualify me from ministry with children. Any other reported misdemeanor or felony will be discussed by the First Baptist staff with me and may be grounds for denial of my application to work in any ministry setting at First Baptist.*

*Any sexual conduct or sexualized behavior with a minor is a betrayal of sacred trust and is an exploitation of power which violates those who are vulnerable and will not be tolerated. First Baptist is committed to investigate any and all allegations of misconduct either independently or in cooperation with a formal investigation that may include legal authorities. The alleged perpetrator will be asked to stop all ministry involvement throughout the time of the investigation until a decision is made.*

*Should my application be accepted, I agree to abide by the First Baptist statement of faith and child protection policy, and to refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on behalf of the church.*

**I HAVE READ THE POLICY AND PROCEDURES OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEM AND TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN OR YOUTH ASSIGNED TO MY CARE AT ALL TIMES.**

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (for applicants under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_