

# Participant Behavior Contract

As an applicant to this Orthodox Christian Retreat, I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to the following concerning participation at the retreat or at any other location visited as part of the retreat program.

## *Participant's Agreement*

- I agree to bring only those items approved by the retreat directors (see retreat's packing list) and to leave home those things which are neither appropriate nor allowed by the retreat. This includes radios, tape and CD players, computer games and other luxuries.
- I agree to refrain from smoking, drinking alcohol, taking drugs other than those approved or specified by the retreat director, or partaking of any other prohibited substance.
- I agree to respect the authority of the retreat staff, following their directions and accepting their decisions. This includes instructions for "lights out," as well as to cease any other activities for whatever reasons that they might have.
- I agree to attend all retreat church services as designated by the retreat directors, to arrive on time, and to remain there until dismissed.
- I agree to respect the needs and feelings of others, to show kindness to all that I come into contact with, and to help out whenever I can.
- I agree to refrain from any and all unchaste language, gesturing, and behaviors. This includes using profanity, engaging in or seeking to engage in sexual behavior, dressing or behaving immodestly, or in general, willfully giving into or leading others into temptation.
- I agree to refrain from any and all violence, including physically or verbally abusing my fellow participants, bullying, fighting, yelling, and in general losing my temper. I also agree to leave at home any items which are weapons or weapon-like.
- I agree to respond to all harsh words, threats, taunts, insults, and attacks without returning like for like, "eye for an eye," but to seek a peaceful resolution to the problem, including but not limited to seeking the help of retreat staff or simply walking away from the situation.
- I agree to respect the views, opinions, beliefs, religious or otherwise, of my fellow participants, even if I do not agree with them.
- I agree to pursue the fun and enjoyment of this retreat experience whole-heartedly and in the spirit of Christian fellowship!

Having read and understood the above Participant's Behavior Contract and having agreed to follow these policies during my participation at this Orthodox Christian Retreat program, I also understand that should I fail to comply with these policies, the consequences may include, but are not limited to, being prohibited from participating in some or all activities, being sent home, being prohibited from returning to this camp program, or having less of a good time as I and everyone else should.

<b>APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
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PO Box 372, Wayne, NJ 07474-0372**

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<b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S PARENT:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
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