

Sample Covenant for Women's Ministry Volunteers

Thank you for prayerfully considering serving in our women's ministry. We appreciate your investment of time, energy, and resources and trust that you have not made this commitment lightly.

As the director, I [insert name] ask that you sign a covenant before being involved in leadership within the women's ministry. The purpose of the covenant is two-fold:

- 1. To ensure that we are reflecting sound theology in line with the core beliefs of the church as determined by the elders.
- 2. To ensure that Bible-believing Christians who have disagreements on secondary issues can learn, worship, and grow together because we understand our common ground.

As a volunteer for the women's ministry of [insert church name], I affirm that I will, to the best of my ability:

- Defend the core beliefs as decided upon by our elders. (Attach a doctrinal statement for your church.)
- Specifically:
 - * Salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ by grace alone (Eph. 2:8).
 - * The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one—God in perfect unity (Matt. 28:19).
 - * All Scripture is God-given, unchanging, and relevant to women's lives (2 Tim. 3:16-17).
 - * Scripture is the authority we look to for guidance on what we believe and how we live what we believe (1 Cor. 14:37).
 - * As women we honor our husbands/fathers as the head of our homes, our pastors/elders as the head of the local church, and Jesus as the head of our lives (Eph. 5:23).

I will do my best to combine the grace and truth demonstrated by Jesus in defense of these truths but I will affirm these truths as non-negotiable for the disciples of Jesus.

In addition, I will do my best to be gracious to those who disagree with me on matters that are outside of the list above. I will allow women the freedom to express differing points of view on these issues, while encouraging them to look to Scripture as their authority.