

Linden MB Volunteer Application

This application is the first step in becoming a Screened Volunteer at Linden MB Church. Our church's Safe Place policy requires that a Screened Volunteer always be present in any Linden MB church ministry serving children, youth, seniors or the disabled. The Screened Volunteer in his or her ministry is identified by a blue lanyard. The five steps to becoming a Screened Volunteer are:

- ☐ submit this application form
- ☐ acquire a police check
- ☐ name two references (waived if you have been a regular attender of this church the past two years)
- ☐ be interviewed by a pastor (waived if you are a member of this church)
- ☐ attend a training session each year

Those who are under age 18 cannot become a Screened Volunteer and will be identified by the orange lanyard. All other unscreened workers wear the white lanyard, but are actively encouraged to take the steps necessary to become a Screened Volunteer.

Personal Information

Full Name:		Home Phone:	
Address:		Cell Phone:	
City:		Work Phone:	
Postal Code:		Email:	

How would you prefer to be contacted? ☐ Home Phone ☐ Cell Phone ☐ Work Phone ☐ Email

History in Church

Are you a member of this church?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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If you answered No, a church pastor will contact you to set up an interview. At the interview you will be asked to tell a little of your life story, and to describe as best you can the nature of your personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Have you been a regular attender of this church the past two years?	☐ Yes ☐ No
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If you answered No, in the section to follow you need to provide the names of two personal references. If you answered Yes skip the following reference section.

References

References must be adults, excluding relatives, whom you have known for at least 3 years. If you are transferring from another church, one of the references should be your pastor from that church.

Reference 1:

Name:		Email:	
Daytime Phone:		Evening Phone:	
Relationship:		Years Known:	

Reference 2:

Name:		Email:	
Daytime Phone:		Evening Phone:	
Relationship:		Years Known:	

Volunteer Safety Disclosure

In order to provide a safe environment for the children and youth in our church ministries, we believe it necessary to ask the following questions. All information will be kept confidential. Answering “Yes” to any of the following questions does not necessarily mean that you cannot volunteer at Linden MB church. It means that the implications for Safe Place must be worked out in discussion with a pastor.

Is there anything in your lifestyle or history that could call into question your ability to work safely with children or youth? (e.g., the use of illegal substances)	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have you ever been convicted or found guilty of a criminal offence for which a pardon has not been granted? (Do not include traffic violations.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have you ever had your employment terminated by an organization or employer for assault or violence against another person?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have you ever been investigated by a government agency for suspected child abuse?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have you ever been in a legal proceeding in which you were alleged to have abused or engaged in violence, harassment or other immoral or illegal behaviour involving children, youth or other vulnerable persons?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Do you have any health concerns which could impact your ability to do your church ministry? (Note: this will not necessarily prohibit you from that ministry.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
Do you have any contagious diseases of which we should be aware, and which we may need to take steps to protect against transmission?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Volunteer Code of Conduct

- I will serve to the best of my ability in my church ministry.
- I will do my best to demonstrate and uphold Christian values.
- I will cooperate with and treat with respect the other people I am serving with.
- I will respect church property.
- I will keep personal information confidential.
- I will inform my ministry leader if I am to be absent due to sickness or vacation, with reasonable notice.
- I will communicate with my ministry leader if I am unable to continue serving, with reasonable notice.

I agree to abide by the above Volunteer Code of Conduct, and I verify that all the information entered in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(required if applicant is under 18 years of age)

Return completed form in an envelope to the Linden MB Office. The application will only be seen and acted upon by the Leadership Team member responsible for Safe Place.