Activity Participation Agreement

For activities sponsored by local churches of the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church

ACTIVITY DETAILS (COMPLETED BY THE ACTIVITY SPONSOR)

Sponsoring church or organization:

Address: Phone:

Activity coordinator: Phone:

Description of activity:

Date(s) and location of activity:

PARTICIPANT DETAILS (COMPLETED BY THE PARTICIPANT, OR BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18)

Participant's name:

Parent(s) or guardian(s):

Address: Phone:

Emergency contact:

Daytime phone: Evening phone:

Allergies or medical conditions:

May the sponsor approve medical treatment for the participant? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does the participant have personal or family medical insurance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, insurance company:

Policy or group number:

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

1. Definitions. In this agreement, the “Activity” is the activity described above. The “Sponsor” means the sponsoring church or organization named above and the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, together with their trustees, officers, employees, volunteers, agents and other representatives.

2. Risks. I understand that taking part in the Activity, and traveling to and from it, carries risk for the participant (and for the participant’s parents or guardians, if the participant is a minor). Possible harm includes, among other things, illness, exposure to an infectious or communicable disease, bodily injury, death, emotional injury, personal injury, property damage and financial loss.

3. Acceptance of risk and responsibility. In return for the opportunity to take part in the Activity, the participant (or the parent or guardian, if the participant is a minor) knowingly accepts these risks. The participant (or parent or guardian) will be financially responsible for any injury or other loss that occurs during the Activity or during travel to or from it, and for the cost of any medical care for the participant that the Sponsor authorizes.

4. Release and hold harmless. The participant (or parent or guardian) releases the Sponsor and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the Sponsor harmless from any claim for injury or loss arising directly or indirectly out of the Activity or travel to or from it, whether the injury or loss is caused by the negligence of the Sponsor, the participant or anyone else.

5. Disputes. If a disagreement arises about this agreement, or a claim for damages is made, the participant (or parent or guardian) and the Sponsor will first try to resolve it through an alternative dispute resolution process acceptable to both. If they cannot agree on a process, the dispute will be submitted to a three-member arbitration panel for decision under the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

Signatures. A participant who is 18 or older signs this agreement. For a participant under 18, at least one parent or legal guardian must sign.

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Signature - Participant (if 18 or older)	*Printed name*	*Date*
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Signature - Parent or guardian	*Printed name*	*Date*
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