

Isaiah 61 Ministries Discipleship Covenant for Adults

Isaiah 61 Ministries, Inc. is dedicated to discipling, assisting, encouraging, and supporting families and individuals who seek to grow in their Christian faith during times of difficulty.

In consideration for seeking and receiving assistance on my behalf, I understand and agree to the following:

- I understand and agree the Bible is the final authority and the basis of any discussion, teaching, writing and/or reading assignment and that prayer is a regular part of any meeting. I understand that Isaiah 61 Ministries is a Christian/Religious ministry which is premised upon a Biblical view of life, family and other relationships.
- I understand and agree that the purpose of this discipleship ministry is not to provide formal clinical mental health or marriage and family therapy counseling or services. Isaiah 61 Ministries will provide Biblically-based discussion around matters relating to and/or concerning mental and emotional health issues, life circumstances and marriage or family relationships with the goal of improving the overall health and well-being of the individual.
- I understand and agree assistance in the form of individual and/or group meetings will be with staff and volunteers of Isaiah 61 Ministries under the supervision of Teresa Sours, Director of Isaiah 61 Ministries. I understand assistance obtained through Isaiah 61 Ministries is not by a licensed or professional counselor or by an individual holding a degree in counseling. Mrs. Sours, staff and volunteers of Isaiah 61 Ministries all minister through the use of the Bible, prayer, and Christian discipleship material in addition to drawing from personal life experiences.
- I understand and agree an initial meeting will determine what group and/or individual meetings offered by Isaiah 61 Ministries will be best suited to my needs. If at any time I believe that necessary assistance beyond the resources of Isaiah 61 Ministries and/or the training and expertise of Mrs. Sours, staff and/or volunteers is needed, I may ask for referral options to professionals in the community. Additionally, if Mrs. Sours, staff and/or volunteers believe that additional resources or assistance may be appropriate, referral options to professionals in the community may be provided to me.
- I understand that regular, consistent attendance and participation in meetings as well as completing reading and/or other assignments is to my benefit. Therefore, I agree to honor scheduled meeting times, giving 24-hour advance notification, if at all possible, if I am unable to attend.
- I understand and agree I may be asked to discontinue my participation in individual and/or group meetings if I become a disruption, fail to abide by this covenant, violate expected conduct standards, or divulge confidential information.
- I understand and agree information shared during the course of working together may involve subject matter of a sensitive and emotional nature. I choose to participate in meetings

acknowledging that some subject matter may be sensitive, upsetting or of an emotional nature. I also understand if and when involved in a group, I or others may choose to share information and agree information shared or obtained will remain confidential unless it is believed that I or they pose a threat or harm to myself or others or if I/they am/are currently involved in an abusive or otherwise harmful situation, or unless it is otherwise deemed necessary by Mrs. Sours, staff and/or volunteers of Isaiah 61 Ministries. I understand and agree Mrs. Sours, staff and/or volunteers nor Isaiah 61 Ministries are responsible for the actions of other individuals attending any meetings. I understand and agree that confidentiality of information is necessary and that information will remain confidential, except as set forth above.

I understand Mrs. Sours, staff and volunteers will do everything possible to ensure confidentiality, except as already set forth in this covenant, which includes information shared through various electronic and technological means, however, it is also understood there are factors beyond the control of those acting on behalf of Isaiah 61 Ministries.

I acknowledge that Isaiah 61 Ministries is a religious, non-profit entity. I agree that in voluntarily choosing to participate, I am receiving religious and chartable benefits from this ministry which include, but are not limited to, religious instruction and training, religious based lay discipleship family ministry services, tools for growth in my Christian faith, and an opportunity for interaction with others in similar circumstances. I realize that these services are being provided at no required cost to me and that in participating I am receiving something of religious and charitable value related to Isaiah 61 Ministries religious and charitable purposes.

Signature	date
Isaiah 61 Staff/Volunteer	date