



THE COVENANT

of the

**Retreat Ministry Mission Group
Presbytery of Muskingum Valley**

The Call

The Retreat Ministry Mission Group, in response to God's call to nurture and challenge the church, seeks to provide a variety of retreat opportunities for persons within Muskingum Valley Presbytery, inviting them to a deeper faith and a more obedient sharing of the fruits of that faith. We believe that God has called us to be co-creators and enablers in the building and renewing of the Body of Christ here in this time, and in this place.

As a group called to retreat ministry in the name of Jesus Christ, we desire to grow in our ability to:

- † deepen our personal and corporate relationship with Christ;
- † live lives that reflect the peace, love, and joy that are marks of Christ; and move constantly toward being more dependent on God than on ourselves or other people.

The Covenant

Therefore we covenant with one another to:

- ❖ spend time daily in meditation, reflection and prayer, remembering each member of the group and the group's corporate call to retreat ministry and to participate in weekly corporate worship;
- ❖ meet together monthly to:
 - engage in study, to share our inward journeys as we walk daily with Christ; to support and assist each person to be accountable for, and faithful to, the disciplines; and
 - to organize and assume responsibility for the outward tasks related to our call to retreat ministry;
- ❖ seek to discover each person's gift(s) of the Spirit, enabling each member to exercise those gifts on behalf of the group;
- ❖ continually evaluate our corporate ministry and
- ❖ make an individual re-commitment to this retreat ministry annually.

We welcome others to explore membership in this retreat ministry, as God so leads them. Inquirers are asked to attend at least three monthly meetings before beginning the process of becoming a covenant member. We expect that this period of inquiry shall be completed with one year.

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