

# Church of the Redeemer Baptist, Inc. Guidelines for Church Sponsored Activities/Events

# I. Purpose:

To establish guidelines to prevent unexpected liability from activities/events (in-person or online) sponsored in the name of the Church of the Redeemer Baptist.

### II. Applicable to:

- a. Any activity or event for which money is collected. (e.g., ticketed events, free will offering, promotion of merchandise)
- b. Any activity or event that require outside request/contracts. (e.g., rental facility, bus, caterer, donation request, paid speaker or musician, purchase of merchandise)
- c. Any event or activity requiring advance funding from the church. (Excludes request for ministry treasury funds)
- d. Any special event with an allocated church budget. Special events include but are not limited to:
  - i. Women's Day
  - ii. Men's Day
  - iii. Pastor's Anniversary
  - iv. Vacation Bible School
  - v. Church Anniversary/Founder's Day
  - vi. Thanksgiving
  - vii. Christmas

#### III. Guidelines:

- a. Package Required
  - i. Copy of Ministry Event Planning Checklist.
  - ii. Ministry Event Request Form
  - iii. Itemized Budget Itemized Income and Expenses should include chronological dates of when money is due from participants and dates of when expenses will be paid.
  - iv. Unsigned contracts, if applicable.



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- v. A copy of caterer's license and insurance, if not a member of Church of the Redeemer Baptist.
- vi. Check Request, if applicable.
- vii. Administration Form, if applicable.
- viii. Announcement Form, if applicable.
- b. Due Date for Packages
  - i. Ministries
    - Activities/events requested during calendar planning meeting - Package must be submitted no later than 90 days prior to activity/event.
    - 2. Activities/events requested after calendar planning meeting - After confirmation that the date is available from Business Office; package must be submitted no later than 90 days prior to activity/event.
  - ii. Special Events Package must be submitted after first meeting but no later than 90 days prior to event.
- c. Where to Submit Package:
  - i. Hard copy of package should be submitted thru the Business Office or electronic copy of package thru busmgr@cotrb.org.
- d. Approval Process
  - i. Once the package is received it will be reviewed by Business Office for completion.
  - ii. After a complete package is received and reviewed, the Business Office will forward package to Trustee Office for assignment.
  - iii. A designated member of trustee ministry will be assigned as the point of contact for the event. The designated trustee will contact the ministry/chairperson within 2 weeks of receipt of the package by the Business Office.



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- iv. The designated trustee will notify the ministry/chairperson and Business Office when event is approved/not approved.
- v. All announcements, letters & flyers must be approved through the Business/Trustee Office before advertised.
- vi. Only the Business Manager/Trustee Chair has the authority to sign all contracts on behalf of the church.
- vii. Request for sign-up/information tables are made via Ministry Event Request Form and must be approved by Business Office.
- e. Money Collection
  - i. ALL money collected must be deposited in the church treasury. If the money is collected from Monday thru Saturday, a deposit must be made on Sunday. If the money is collected on Sunday, the money must be deposited the same day.
  - ii. Free Will Offerings ALL money must be collected by a trustee. If a trustee is not available, then it is the responsibility of the ministry's treasurer to make the deposit into the church treasury no later than the Sunday after the event.
  - iii. All monies deposited must concur with the church financial secretary's records.
- f. Additional Requirements
  - i. Any event/activity required advance funding, then
    - 1. A Special Event/Ministry Expense Form must be completed itemizing the expenses, money advanced and amount returned, if any. Attach all receipts to form.
    - 2. All receipts and any excess funds must be turned into the Business/Trustee Office no later than 2 Sundays after the event/activity.