

# Emmanuel Church

## COVID-19 Waiver/ Participation in Recreational Activities

### **PLEASE READ - IMPORTANT!**

In consideration for me and/or my child being allowed to participate in any way with programs, events and/or activities conducted by Emmanuel Church on 14 Hope St. Ridgewood, NJ, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees that:

1. The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. It is believed that an individual can be infected with COVID-19 without their knowledge and be asymptomatic. Emmanuel Church cannot guarantee that we or anyone else will not become infected with COVID-19, including my spouse, guests, unborn child, or relatives through my participation in the programs, events and/or activities of Emmanuel Church in Ridgewood, NJ, including but not limited to activities, use of the facilities, daily camp programs, conducted at Emmanuel Church. Participation in any Recreation Activities could increase the risk of contracting COVID-19. By signing this agreement, I ACKNOWLEDGE the contagious nature of COVID-19 and VOLUNTARILY ASSUME THE RISK that I or my child may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in or allowing my child to participate in Recreational Activities/Outdoor Activities, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death to myself, my child, my spouse, my guests, my unborn child, or my relatives. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at a Recreation Activity may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself, my child, or others, including, but not limited to, employees, and its program participants. I, on behalf of myself and my child, UNDERSTAND AND VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL of the foregoing risks related to COVID-19 and accept sole responsibility for any injury or illness that may occur. Further, I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of Emmanuel Church in Ridgewood, NJ, including but not limited to myself and/or employees, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any Recreation Activity.

2. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation with regards to all protections against infectious diseases. If, however, I observe any unusual hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove my child from participation and bring it to the attention of the nearest employee immediately.

3. I and my participating family members HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS Emmanuel Church in Ridgewood, its employees, and other participants with respect to any and all injury, illness, disability, death or loss or damage to person or property related to exposure to COVID-19 and/or recreational activities, whether or not arising from the negligence of others.

4. This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained these provisions to my child including the risks of participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against communicable diseases and participation in any activities while on Emmanuel Church's grounds. Furthermore, my child understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND THE MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

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