

Release of Liability and Agreement for Mediation and/or Arbitration 2022-2023

This form applies to all immediate family members, whether they attend classes at REACH of North Texas or not. This includes parents, student(s), and siblings.

This Release of Liability and Agreement for Mediation and/or Arbitration is between the members of REACH (hereinafter Members), Town North Presbyterian Church (hereinafter TNPC), and the Family as listed above.

The Family releases and covenants not to sue either the leaders of REACH of North Texas or Town North Presbyterian Church, their staff, officers, employees, elders, or other families participating in these classes.

The Family realizes TNPC is providing physical space for the classes of REACH of North Texas and acknowledges that the classes are neither church related activities nor sponsored by TNPC.

The Family assumes full responsibility for transportation to and from classes or any time spent off campus at REACH sponsored activities. In addition, the Family agrees that REACH shall have no responsibility for non-REACH-sponsored activities that may be communicated to REACH members.

The Family agrees to indemnify the leaders and members of REACH of North Texas and TNPC from any loss, damage, or injury to any Family member or their property while working or participating in the activities of the classes or related to the classes, regardless of whether those activities take place at TNPC or at another location.

The Family releases all REACH and TNPC leaders, officials, and professional personnel from any claim whatsoever on account of first aid, treatment, or service rendered to the Family while at TNPC or at another location.

The Family and Members agree that "any claim or dispute arising from or related to this agreement or any activity related to their participation in REACH shall be settled by mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration in accordance with the *Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation* of the Institute for Christian Conciliation, a division of Peacemaker® Ministries (complete text of the Rules is available at www.HisPeace.org). Judgment upon an arbitration decision may be entered in any court otherwise having jurisdiction. The parties understand that these methods shall be the sole remedy for any controversy or claim arising out of this agreement and expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit in any civil court against one another for such disputes, except to enforce an arbitration decision" (www.HisPeace.org). The substantive laws of the State of Texas (and not its conflicts of law principles) govern all matters arising out of this Agreement, including without limitation its validity, interpretation, construction, performance and enforcement.