

## Declaration of Consent and Waiver of Liability 2011-2012

We at **First Baptist Church (FBC)** look forward to serving you and your child through our **Hands in HAND** ministry program. FBC seeks to provide a nurturing and safe environment for the care and training of your child during **Hands in HAND** programs. However, no matter how careful our staff and volunteers are, accidents can occur. To make certain that your child is participating in these activities with your full understanding and knowing consent, and informed parental guidance and instruction of your child, we ask that you carefully read and sign this form. If you have any questions about this program or policies, please contact Melinda Robinson at [mrobinson@fbccov.org](mailto:mrobinson@fbccov.org).

In consideration for the services provided by **First Baptist Church** through its **Hands in HAND** ministry programs, I agree to the following terms and conditions of my child's participation.

**Agreement to Participate and Waiver of Liability.** To assist FBC in providing the best care for my child during Hands in HAND programs, I agree to provide FBC with accurate and complete medical information about my child, including all special medical, physical, mental, and emotional need or disabilities that my child may have, on the Hands in HAND "Family Profile", and to immediately update such information as developments occur from time to time.

I understand the risk of injury to my child inherent in a program whose participants consist of individuals with physical, mental, or emotional disabilities, who may exhibit violent or impulsive behavior or suffer from epileptic seizures. During any of the Hands in HAND programs and activities, including but not limited to Sunday Bible Fellowships, Respite Nite and family events, my child may engage in activities such as nature hikes, sports activities utilizing balls or other game equipment, contact with animals, amusement equipment rental, and playground equipment,

To the extent permitted by law, I (we) assume all risks of injury to my child, including those caused by accidents or by the acts of other participants, To the extent permitted by law, I (we) further agree to release **FBC, Hands in HAND**, and their staff, volunteers, directors, and agents of all liability for injury or illness to my (our) child or for damage to my (our) child's property arising during any **Hands in HAND** ministry program or event due to any cause except the gross negligence or willful misconduct of **FBC** staff, volunteers, or agents.

**Photograph Consent:** I (we) give **FBC** permission to use, without compensation, my (our) child's name and/or picture in presentations, media releases, newsletters, and marketing materials primarily for the purpose of promoting **FBC and Hands in HAND** Ministry programs and services.

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Child's name (use one form for each child)

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Parent or Guardian Signature / Date

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*Both parents (or legal guardians) of each child must sign.*