

# Stephen Minister Covenant

Stephen Ministry® Form

The congregation and Stephen Minister listed below agree to this Covenant.

\_\_\_\_\_ is commissioned for the period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as a Stephen Minister for this congregation. After this period, the Stephen Minister and the Stephen Leader Team may by mutual agreement renew this covenant for an additional term.

Through this covenant, the Stephen Minister agrees to

- ▶ Accept assignment of care receivers from the designated Referrals Coordinator and care faithfully for this care receiver.
- ▶ Attend twice-monthly supervision sessions.
- ▶ Maintain confidentiality with respect to his or her own care receiver and the care receivers of other Stephen Ministers during supervision.
- ▶ Promote the ongoing strength and effectiveness of the congregation's Stephen Ministry.

The congregation agrees to

- ▶ Provide Stephen Leaders trained at Stephen Series Leader's Training Courses to manage Stephen Ministry.
- ▶ Provide funding to train additional Stephen Leaders as needed.
- ▶ Provide funding for training Stephen Ministers.
- ▶ Maintain continued support and prayers for the Stephen Ministry program.

The Stephen Leaders agree to

- ▶ Encourage the continued growth of Stephen Ministers in prayer and spiritual maturity.
- ▶ Provide meaningful training for additional Stephen Ministers as needed.
- ▶ Conduct regular twice-monthly Small Group Peer Supervision and continuing education for Stephen Ministers and be available for individual supervision, when necessary.
- ▶ Maintain confidentiality of all Stephen Ministry caring relationships.
- ▶ Keep congregation leaders aware of and informed about Stephen Ministry in the congregation.
- ▶ Build continuing awareness of and support for Stephen Ministry within the congregation.

Stephen Minister \_\_\_\_\_

Stephen Leaders \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Leader(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

