

Sample Covenant 2

I declare my intention to be a faithful participant in the _____
Network for six months beginning _____, as long as I remain settled
in a United Methodist Church in the area.

I will

- Attend every group meeting. If an emergency should prevent my attending, I will notify our facilitator as soon as I know.
- Be on time.
- Respect my colleagues – Every voice is important. No one person should dominate.
- Hold confidential all that occurs in our group meetings, sharing only that which is explicitly negotiated.
- Keep our United Methodist mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, central to my life and ministry and to the mission of this Network.
- Communicate honestly, knowing that honesty builds trust.
- Demonstrate respect for my colleagues, their opinions, their ministries, and their time.
- Recognize the presence of God with us in all our Network conversations, learnings and activities whether we are experiencing joy, struggle or confusion.
- Search for ways to enhance ministry in our part of God's world and commit to living it through our Network

I understand that our Network is an accountability group.

- I commit to being accountable to this group for at least one personal goal and one ministry goal per gathering, realizing it could be the same goal each session as I increase my success and learn from my failures.
- If I miss more than 1 or 2 meetings, I understand the group will communicate with me and the Network leader will communicate with the DS about my absences.
- I will pray for my colleagues and their ministries between Network gatherings.