



NAD Youth Ministries Safety Resources

Mission-Purpose-Principle of the Seventh-day Adventist Church On Child Safety

WHAT IS THE MISSION OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH RELATED TO CHILD/MINOR SAFETY

The Mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to provide a safe, spiritual and abuse-free environment for every child who attends the Organization's programs and activities.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH FOR CHILD/MINOR SAFETY?

It is the purpose of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to prevent any form of child abuse, physical, emotional, or sexual and to protect employees and volunteers from false allegations. Each Union and Conference should work in partnership together with pastors, teachers, church leaders, children and parents to promote the welfare, health and development of children. Child protection is everyone's responsibility. All children, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, socio-economic status, religious belief and sexual identity have the right to protection from all forms of harm and abuse.

PRINCIPLE

Zero tolerance of child abuse: Child abuse will not be tolerated by the Seventh-day Adventist church; neither will knowingly engage, directly or indirectly, anyone who poses a risk to children.

Sharing responsibility for child protection: To effectively manage risks to children, each conference should require the active support and cooperation of ministers, all church members, leaders and volunteers implementing the North American Division's safety procedures in any and all activities.