RRPC Youth 2019
ASP Covenant
Be the Peace – 1 Samuel 25:6

The Bible is full of stories where God covenanted with the people who had been asked to serve God. Noah, Abraham, Moses and David all had covenants with God in which both parties made commitments to one another. Jesus Christ offered the new covenant of grace and salvation through his death and resurrection. Jesus then sent us out, saying "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (John 20:21b) As an intentional act of servant-hood I choose to honor God and love neighbor through ASP, and I to enter into a covenant in which I commit:

- To spend time with God in prayer before, during and after this trip. I know that God will renew my mind through time spent with God. I also know that the state of my spirit will witness to those around me regarding the state of the Holy Spirit, so it is important to prepare my soul and to help others prepare theirs in order that we might have the most impact for Christ in our mission to Appalachia. I will pray daily for myself, for my team, for the family I will serve, and for the trip in general.

- To send a deposit of $200 along with this signed covenant to reserve my spot and show my commitment to this mission initiative. I understand that the full cost of my trip is approximately $600 and that generous gifts from a supportive community of faith enable me to attend at a subsidized rate.

- To fundraise* a minimum of $300 to help cover the cost of my trip, understanding that meaningful participation in fund raising efforts is part of a full mission experience, because it creates opportunities for the congregation to support me as a missionary in hands on ways, therefore joining us together as one church in mission, even though each person is not able to physically travel to Appalachia with us.

- To attend to the absolute best of my ability all pre-trip meetings, understanding that ASP is not just one week a year. When we do mission fully we do it to the glory of God, which manifests in developed relationships, deepened faith and strengthened community, all of which only have an opportunity to come into being through time spent with my brothers and sisters in Christ seeking God together

I enthusiastically enter into this covenant, fully embracing this opportunity to use my gifts in praise of my Creator (1 Corinthians 12:4-6).

Participant Signature:_____

Participant Name (Printed):_____

Parent Signature:_____

Parent Name (Printed):_____

*A note about ASP fund raising this year:

Our First initiative will be Ask letter, very similar to the letters we sent last year. Ask Letters generated the greatest amount of revenue each year

Our Second initiative will be another BBQ Dinner and silent auction, which is a great opportunity for you to showcase your gifts and talents in a way that glorifies God and serves the community. Start thinking now about what you can donate! The date of this event will be May 5.

Our Third initiative will be selling Partnership Shares to the congregation. When you look at biblical foundations for funding mission, you won't see too many special events. More often than not, Paul just asks and expects people to respond—after all, it is what we are called to do as followers of Christ. This is the model that leads us to Ask Letters and Partnership Shares. This is our opportunity to live into the vision of funding ministry that is offered to us in scripture.

Please note that all money raised is used for this trip and the county we serve. Any money in excess of our expenses is donated directly to the county we work in this summer.