

CODE OF INTERPERSONAL ETHICS FOR THE GRACE CHURCH FAMILY

Believing that God has called us to be a church family together, we commit ourselves to the following Code of Ethics to guide us in our interactions and communications with one another:

1. We will speak and deal with people in an open, honest, and respectful manner. We will not engage in harassment, use of abusive words or actions, or coercion of others.
2. We will serve one another with a mutual understanding and respect for our cultural, ethnic, and personal backgrounds.
3. We will develop trusting relationships with the persons we serve and therefore discourage any behaviors that might cause mistrust in others.
4. We will maintain integrity and purity in our relationships with others. We will, therefore, avoid any impropriety or even the appearance of impropriety with others.
5. When a child or adult experiences distress, we will offer appropriate comfort and assistance. Where applicable, we will help others find appropriate assistance from services available in the broader community.
6. We will endeavor to protect each other from abuse and will take necessary steps to report suspected abuse to proper authorities.

May this code serve as a guide to help us to care for one another in mutual respect.

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