

Ark Mission Church Activities Categorisation – Building Safe Ark Together

Safe Activities	Action needed
<p>Sunday Services: Regular worship services held inside the rented facility.</p> <p>Prayer Groups: Small groups meeting for prayer and reflection in a controlled environment (after Sunday service)</p> <p>Bible Study Groups: Weekly sessions focused on reading and discussing biblical texts in a private homes or public space.</p> <p>Community Meetings: Gatherings for church-related discussions or planning, held in the public space.</p>	<p>Read the Code of Conduct*</p> <p>Read Safeguarding Policy*</p> <p>Check with the Safeguarding team if any Qs*</p>
Medium Risk Activities	
<p>Children's Sunday School: Classes for children involving light activities and supervision in a rented facility.</p> <p>Children's Events: Indoor play activities for children in a rented facility, ensuring safety measures.</p> <p>Youth Sunday Service: Bi-monthly groups involving Bible study and discussion under the supervision.</p> <p>Youth week groups: Bi-monthly groups involving Bible study and discussion under the supervision</p> <p>Church Lunches: Community meals where members bring food to share, ensuring food safety.</p> <p>Outdoor Events: Worship services held in an outdoor setting, considering weather and safety.</p> <p>Church Picnics: Group gatherings in a park or garden area.</p> <p>Street Evangelism: Engaging with the public on the streets to share the church's message, considering public interaction risks.</p>	<p>Discuss with Safeguarding Lead or Deputy the details of the event and submit a draft of the activity by WhatsApp or email</p> <p>Email Masha or Safeguarding</p> <p>Complete a Risk Assessment form (www.arkmission.org/safeguarding)</p>
High Risk Activities	
<p>Children/Youth Group Trips: Cinema, theatre, hiking, camping, or other adventurous outings with the youth group.</p>	<p>Submit your planned activity to one of the Elders</p> <p>Discuss with Safeguarding Lead or Deputy the details of the event and submit a</p>

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<p>Events with Church members (including Youth/Children): Group gatherings in private homes</p> <p>Retreat Events (any age): Activities involving travelling away for a day or overnight stays, considering the rented facility's policies.</p> <p>Large Public Events: Major events like festivals, fairs, or large gatherings, considering crowd management and facility regulations.</p> <p>Mission trips:</p> <p>Domestic Mission Trips: Volunteering or outreach activities within the country, considering travel and logistical risks.</p> <p>International Mission Trips: Volunteering or outreach activities abroad, considering travel, health, and safety risks.</p> <p>Risk Considerations:</p> <p>Health and Vaccinations: Ensure all participants have required vaccinations and are aware of health risks.</p> <p>Travel Insurance: Provide adequate travel insurance for all participants.</p> <p>Emergency Contacts: Maintain a list of emergency contacts and local support resources.</p> <p>Cultural Awareness Training: Educate participants about the culture and customs of the destination.</p>	<p>draft of the activity by whatsapp or email</p> <p>Email Masha or Safeguarding</p> <p>Complete a Risk Assessment form (www.arkmission.org/safeguarding)</p>
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