

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

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Dear Volunteer,

Thank you for your willingness to help me with my doctor of ministry project. From our recent phone conversation, you agreed to assist me by being present in the preceding service. This letter is being distributed to you so that you will have a complete understanding of what you have agreed to do.

At this time, I can not disclose the full nature of my project and what it is attempting to prove due to the fact that the scoring of the data would be influenced by your knowledge of the project. I can tell you, however, that my project is not focused on individuals in the congregation in any way.

Three sets of questions will be distributed for you to complete. The questionnaires should take no more than 10 minutes of your time. I will not be asking for your name in order to assure the anonymity of your answers. If you have children, please do not be concerned about picking them up while in the music room. I have already made arrangements with the children's workers to remain with the children until they can be picked up after the testing.

It is extremely important that you not discuss the details of the experiment before or after you testing. Several services will be used in generating the needed data for my project. Please do not talk about or try to figure out the project's purpose until the entire project has been completed. I will make a detailed report available to anyone who would like to read over the results and my related research when the project has been finished in the early fall.

A few of you may also be asked to complete a follow-up questionnaire two to three weeks after the service. This questionnaire will be extremely brief, as well. If you are willing to volunteer for the follow-up questionnaire, please notify Stephanie before you leave today. Thank you for making an effort to be at the service in which you agreed to attend. Without full participation, my data will be incomplete and the results may not be accepted by my research committee.

I humbly appreciate your willingness to be a part of my development as a minister through this project. May God abundantly multiply your time back to you as you assist me.

In Christ,

Barry Simon

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Please return this form Stephanie Simon as soon as you sign it today.

I agree to answer questions immediately following the service. I will not discuss the experiment or try to guess what the testing is about until after August 9, 1998.

Signed\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_