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Safeguarding Against Sexual Abuse

	Yes	Needs Attention
1. Do you ask volunteers to wait until they are associated with your ministry for at least six months prior to allowing them involvement with children of any age?	☐	☐
2. Do you invest in a background screening program for all volunteers and employees who work with children?	☐	☐
3. Does the background check include investigation into prior church membership and volunteer work, reference checks, and criminal records checks?	☐	☐
4. On and off church premises, do you have at least two adults supervise a group of children at all times, whether they are in a room, a vehicle, or other enclosed space—even if only one or two children need care?	☐	☐
5. Do you ensure an adequate number of adult chaperones for all off-premise events, especially those that involve overnights?	☐	☐
6. Do you discourage the use of teenagers as nursery workers (or any other type of child care provider) during organized church functions?	☐	☐
7. Do you use a "claim check" procedure so that children are released only to a parent, guardian, or other authorized person?	☐	☐
8. Do your children's ministry leaders know all state and federal laws that deal with child abuse (e.g., reporting requirements), and have they have been trained in how to comply with these laws?	☐	☐
9. Do your staff members and volunteers know how to identify inappropriate behavior and the procedures for reporting such conduct?	☐	☐

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