

# Canoeing Activity Waiver & Assumption of Risk

I, the undersigned parent/legal guardian, acknowledge that I am voluntarily allowing my child/ward to participate in canoeing and related water activities provided through Venture of Faith Camp. I understand that participation is not required and involves inherent risks.

I understand and acknowledge that canoeing and river travel involve inherent and unavoidable risks, and I voluntarily assume all risks, known and unknown, associated with my child's participation.

I understand and agree that:

- This canoeing trip is a **self-guided activity**
- Venture of Faith is providing equipment (canoes, paddles, life jackets) and access only
- Venture of Faith is **not providing lifeguards, in-water supervision, or active guiding services**
- Supervision of the Participant is the sole responsibility of the sponsoring group/church leaders

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby release, waive, discharge, and hold harmless Venture of Faith, its owners, employees, volunteers, agents, and affiliates from any and all liability, claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of or related to any loss, injury, illness, death, or property damage that may occur during participation in canoeing or related activities. This release includes claims arising from **ordinary negligence**, but does not include gross negligence or willful misconduct where such waiver is not permitted by law.

I agree to indemnify and defend Venture of Faith against any claims brought by or on behalf of my child or any third party arising from my child's participation in this activity, including attorney's fees and costs.

I authorize Venture of Faith and its representatives to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child if necessary. I accept full responsibility for any medical expenses incurred.

I confirm that my child:

- Is physically able to participate in canoeing activities
- Can swim or has appropriate water comfort level as required by our sponsoring group
- Has no medical condition that would increase risk without proper disclosure
- Will follow all safety instructions provided by group leaders and/or camp staff

I understand that Venture of Faith will provide safety equipment such as life jackets (PFDs). I agree that my child will wear a properly fitted PFD while on or near water and that failure to comply may result in removal from the activity without refund.

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia. I certify that I have read and fully understand this Agreement. I understand that I am giving up substantial legal rights on behalf of myself and my child, including the right to sue. I sign this freely and voluntarily.

**Camper Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_