

## SEXUAL ABUSE RESPONSE CHECKLIST

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*Has Church Leadership Taken These Steps Upon Learning  
of an Allegation?*

- We have taken all allegations seriously without engaging in denial, minimization, or blame.
- We have ensured the safety of any adults, children, and youth directly or indirectly associated with the allegation.
- We have promptly contacted necessary authorities in accordance with TN state laws.
- We have implemented appropriate restrictions on alleged perpetrators.
- We have collected, in writing, all relevant information regarding the allegation.
- We have notified our insurance agent concerning the allegation.
- We have notified our attorney concerning the allegation.
- We have maintained confidentiality concerning all information.
- We have identified a church spokesperson.
- We have prepared a public statement.
- We have a statement to report to the church congregation.
- We are providing support to the victim and victim's family.