

YOUR BEST LIFE NOW COUNSELING
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INFORMED CONSENT

PASTORAL COUNSELING AGREEMENT: In order to be fully informed about the Pastoral Counseling you will be receiving, please read through the following agreement, sign and date it at the bottom. *This form must be signed, and the intake form must be completed and returned to the pastoral counseling office of Joshua's Friends/Your Best Life Now Counseling before the first session.*

(Note to couples: Each individual should fill out their own set of forms.)

DESCRIPTION OF PASTORAL COUNSELING: The goal of pastoral counseling is to help individuals think differently and biblically about challenging and traumatic life issues in the context of a confidential, caring environment. A pastoral counselor relies on Scripture as the sole authority for faith and conduct. And recognizes lasting changes are the result of the power of God, the grace of Christ and the indwelling ministry of the Holy Spirit. Guided by biblical principles, The Pastoral Counselors role is to utilize solution focused counseling concepts including: Socratic questioning, Empathetic listening, Temperament Therapy, Clinical Pastoral Counseling with the A.P.S. profile system, Cognitive Behavior Interventions, reflection/reading assignments, encouragement and prayer to provide wise, biblical and timeless counsel to all who are hurting and in need.

QUALIFICATIONS: Dr. T. James Kimble received his B.S. in Church Ministries with a minor in Cross Culture Communications from Southwestern University. He has completed a master's degree in child and Adolescent Therapy from Pillsbury College and Seminary. Dr. Kimble also obtained his Doctorate in Christian Counseling at Pillsbury Seminary and holds his L.C.P.C. credentials through National Christian Counseling Association; as a Licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor he has advanced certifications in Temperament Therapy, Cognitive Behavior Therapy, Death and Grief Therapy, Crisis and Abuse Therapy, Substance Abuse and Addiction Therapy, Domestic Violence and Intervention Therapy, Integrated Marriage and Family Therapy, and Child and Adolescent Therapy, and has been awarded the distinction of diplomat in Ministry of Counseling, and serves as a Clinical Supervisor respectively providing counselor training and oversight. He has completed a supervised counseling practicum as well as provided active counseling for Joshua's Friends/Your Best Life Now Counseling for the last 8 years. To include implementing: Influencer Cafés as a trauma-based peer to peer therapy and networking group, MwM Behavior Interventions Trainings and Workshops, M.I.N.D. Changers Play Groups and Brain Neurobic exercises for children and adults. Dr. Kimble is currently writing a series on Living and Leading by Design (A Transformational Model of Care for Families Facing Disabilities and Traumatic Life issues) to provide a very rational self-counseling guide and system of care for families facing crisis and trauma care concerns. He also served 10 years in The U.S. Army Chaplaincy and is actively working to foster community collaborations to expand the Warrior 4 Life Movement in response to the increase trauma Veterans and their families are continually facing. His scope of counseling interest includes: Child and Family Counseling for: family dynamics, pre-marital and marriage counseling and counseling to address specific parent child behavior issues and concerns including A.D.H.D., Oppositional Defiance, Conduct Disorders, Autism and Asperger's Syndrome, Sensory Processing, Academic, and Developmental Delays etc. Trauma and Crisis Counseling for: Abuse, Loss, Grief, Head Injuries, Behavior Issues, Anger Issues, P.T.S.D., Depression, Anxiety, Developmental Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Emotional Trauma, Phobias, Addictions, Panic Attacks, Fears, Codependent Issues, Personality problems, Maladaptive Thinking Processes, and other disorders.

REFERRAL POLICY/DISCLAIMER: After reviewing the intake form, we will determine whether or not we feel we can provide you with the appropriate services and level of care needed. Clients will be referred outside of The Joshua's Friends/Your Best Life Now Pastoral Counseling office when treatment required is beyond the scope of care available here.

PASTORAL COUNSELING FEES: Each session is 50 minutes. Counseling sessions will take place in Dr. Kimble's office at The Family Life Center at Lifeline Church. Please check in at The Family Life Center next to the church. Payment is due upon completion of each session and accounts must be kept current in order to continue counseling. Cash, Credit Cards, Paypal or Checks are accepted forms of payment (checks made payable to Joshua's Friends). Sliding scale payments may be available if qualifications are met (please see office manager for more details).

*****Please note that we are unable to accept insurance*****

CLIENT EXPECTATIONS: Please plan to arrive promptly for your appointment so the session can begin on time. You may be asked to complete homework assignments or purchase a book to be read in conjunction with your pastoral counseling. In addition, prayer, Scripture reading, or memorization may be utilized as part of the counseling process. Your readiness level and commitment to the counseling process will greatly determine the outcome of your counseling progress.

CONFIDENTIALITY: Under the protection of the clergy penitent privilege in most circumstances, anything you discuss with Dr. T. James Kimble and other counselor/counseling staff at Joshua's Friends/Your Best Life Now Counseling and anything you write on intake and pastoral counseling forms will be held in strict confidence. However, be aware there are some situations that may have to be reported to appropriate authorities as required by law. This reporting could possibly take place without your permission or knowledge as required by state law. Reportable situations include, but may not be limited to, indications of bodily harm to self or others, involvement in a felony, suicidal intentions, and reasonable evidence/suspicion of child or elder abuse/neglect. Your pastoral counselor may also be required to disclose information in response to a subpoena issued by a court of law. Your information will not be shared without your written consent except under legal obligations that require disclosure based on a judge's orders or for internal office inner-counselor consultation. All aspects of your sessions will be discussed with the Clinical Counseling Supervisor Dr. T. James Kimble. Your Pastoral Counselor will adhere to commonly accepted codes of privacy and confidentiality in counseling ethics. Also, an issue may occasionally arise that would benefit from the counsel or involvement of a pastor or another counselor at Joshua's Friends/Your Best Life Now Counseling. If deemed appropriate, your Pastoral Counselor may decide that a pastor be consulted to insure the quality of care you are receiving.

Please Note Joshua's Friends does Not offer State Licensed Counseling or Counselors

RIGHTS AS A COUNSELEE:

1. You are entitled to information about any procedures, methods of counseling, techniques and possible duration of therapy.
2. You have the right to end counseling at any time without any moral, legal or financial obligations other than those already accrued.
3. You have the right to expect confidentiality within the limits described.

4. You have the right to authorize your counselor to consult with another professional about your therapy in writing.

MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION: Disputes arising out of or in relation to this agreement to provide services shall first be referred to mediation, before, and as a pre-condition of, the initiation of arbitration. The mediator shall be a neutral third party chosen by agreement of the therapist and Counselee. The cost of such mediation, if any, shall be split equally.

CANCELLATION POLICY: We request that you notify your Pastoral Counselor at least 24 hours before your scheduled appointment time if you need to cancel a session. Failure to do so could result in payment of half of the fee for the missed appointment. If deemed necessary, this charge should be paid before or at the time of your next appointment to continue in the counseling relationship. Exceptions are for sudden illnesses and emergencies only.

CONTACTING JOSHUA’S FRIENDS/YOUR BEST LIFE NOW PASTORAL COUNSELING OFFICE:

To schedule an appointment, please contact our office by phone at 270.307.0111 or email info@joshuasfriends.org

If you need to cancel or reschedule your appointment, please email us or call our office at the above listed number; if no one answers please leave a message.

For emergencies after-hours, please call 911, or go to your local emergency room. By signing below, you are acknowledging that you understand and accept the guidelines stated above.

Signed _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Date _____

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