

## PREMARITAL COUNSELING AGREEMENT

1. We agree to attend up to 6 premarital counseling sessions.
2. We agree to read and discuss Bible passages when assigned.
3. We agree to practice abstinence from sexual intercourse from now until our wedding night by limiting physical signs of affection to nothing beyond hand holding and kissing and instead practicing other signs of affection, including but not limited to dedicated listening and talking, cards, flowers, affirmations, quality and quantity of time spent doing activities together, and etc. Hebrews 13:4. 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 (see page 2). If we are currently living together, we agree to make arrangements to live in separate rooms (a good plan) or homes (better).
4. We agree to pay James Riley \$100 on the night of the rehearsal the day before the wedding ceremony. The marriage license will be presented at the same time if not before.
5. Note: The preferred designation for my name in the newspaper and programs is “James Riley, Minister of the Quincy Church of Christ” (i.e., no “pastor” or “reverend” although the newspaper will add it at times any way).

Signed,

\_\_\_\_\_

Groom

\_\_\_\_\_

Bride

James Riley, Minister

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

For your reference. You may keep this page.

The Holy Bible, New Century Version

**1 Thessalonians 4:1 through 1 Thessalonians 4:8** <sup>1</sup>Brothers and sisters, we taught you how to live in a way that will please God, and you are living that way. Now we ask and encourage you in the Lord Jesus to live that way even more. <sup>2</sup>You know what we told you to do by the authority of the Lord Jesus. <sup>3</sup>God wants you to be holy and to stay away from sexual sins. <sup>4</sup>He wants each of you to learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable. <sup>5</sup>Don't use your body for sexual sin like the people who do not know God. <sup>6</sup>Also, do not wrong or cheat another Christian in this way. The Lord will punish people who do those things as we have already told you and warned you. <sup>7</sup>God called us to be holy and does not want us to live in sin. <sup>8</sup>So the person who refuses to obey this teaching is disobeying God, not simply a human teaching. And God is the One who gives us his Holy Spirit.

New American Standard Bible

**Hebrews 13:4** <sup>4</sup>Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage bed is to be undefiled*; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

To examine sociological studies that have examined the impact of co-habitation on marriage and divorce rates, see this sampling of sites:

<http://www.lifesite.net/ldn/2005/oct/05100305.html>

<http://live.psu.edu/story/3682>

<http://www.pobronson.com/blog/2006/06/will-this-marriage-last-does-living.html>

<http://www.vifamily.ca/library/cft/cohabitation.pdf>

<http://www.leaderu.com/critical/cohabitation-socio.html>

<http://www.smartmarriages.com/cohabit.html>

<http://love.ivillage.com/snd/sndcouplehood/0,,mhrq,00.html>

<http://people.bu.edu/charris/marriage.html>

## **BUILDING USE GUIDELINES FOR THE QUINCY CHURCH OF CHRIST**

1. We offer our building free of charge to anyone or any group that wants to use it within the conditions and exceptions listed below.
2. A member of the Quincy Church of Christ must be present during all activities.
3. All requests for use must be submitted for approval to the elders or deacons.
4. The member who attends the activity is responsible for arranging and assuring clean-up is done.
5. Our auditorium holds a maximum of 250. Our annex can seat at tables approximately 125 and many more without tables.
6. No live music is allowed inside the building at any activity.
7. Additional guidelines regarding weddings:
  - a. We will allow any Christian minister to perform weddings in our building.
  - b. If our currently hired minister performs the wedding, he has the right to set his own conditions of performing the wedding.
  - c. While no live music is allowed, recorded music may be played over the sound system. Live or recorded singers are allowed.
  - d. If the wedding party returns moved furniture and cleans up after the ceremony, there will be no charge for use. Otherwise there is a \$25 charge for our members to do it.
  - e. One key to the building will be provided to the bride or groom approximately 3 to 4 days before the ceremony.
  - f. Access to the building for a weekend wedding will begin Wednesday night at 9PM and continue until the wedding. The building temperature will be maintained at a comfortable setting from the time of access until the ceremony.

## BUILDING USE APPLICATION FOR WEDDINGS

BRIDE: \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDE ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDE PHONE #S: \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDE E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

GROOM: \_\_\_\_\_

GROOM ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

GROOM PHONE #S: \_\_\_\_\_

GROOM E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

WEDDING DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU PLAN TO USE THE ANNEX FOR YOUR REHEARSAL DINNER?

YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

DO YOU PLAN TO USE THE ANNEX FOR YOUR RECEPTION?

YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_