

## Safe Sanctuaries Updates and Information



All basic Safe Sanctuaries training to be done online starting Jan 1, 2020

The MinistrySafe system has been up and running for our conference since October 2019. It's use has been mandated and costs are covered by our conference insurance company.

Thank you to all churches who have logged in to MinistrySafe and are utilizing it to track the needed basic Safe Sanctuaries training and clearances for staff and volunteers to serve children and youth within our conference.

With the eventual restart of Children and Youth programs impacted by COVID-19, now is the perfect time to make sure your staff and volunteers are trained and have all their clearances entered into the MinistrySafe system. Unfortunately, this time of transition provides the opportunity for possible perpetrators to gain access to your children and youth programs. for possible predators to try to work their way into your church. To help your church prevent this, there is a second level of training, Skillful Screening Training, that is available to all our churches at no cost.

Procedures for obtaining clearances themselves have not changed and they can be accessed through our website <https://susumc.org/safe-sanctuaries/>

***If you are a large church with many staff & volunteers and have not yet accessed your account***, please contact the conference office at 717-766-7441 ext 3600 or by email [safesanctuaries@susumc.org](mailto:safesanctuaries@susumc.org)

A step-by-step guide is available on our website...here is the link to the guide <https://susumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Final-Step-by-Step-MinistrySafe.pdf>

Please contact [safesanctuaries@susumc.org](mailto:safesanctuaries@susumc.org) with any questions

Thank You for your diligence.