

THE BUS MINISTRY DISCIPLINE POLICY

A big part of a successful bus ministry is an effective discipline policy. As stated on the "Bus Worker's Agreement" corporal punishment is not an alternative. Therefore, below is our discipline policy for the bus ministry. All bus personnel are expected to follow this policy.

Any person not following the bus captain's instructions or refusing to cooperate will:

First-be given a slip explaining his/her behavior to the child's parents and it must be signed by a parent/guardian before the offender will be allowed back on the bus.

Second-if a second offence occurs within the same month, the child will be given a slip explaining his/her behavior to the child's parents and the child will not be allowed back for the next 2 weeks. On the third Sunday he/she will be allowed back on the bus with a signed slip from a parent or guardian.

Third-if any child gets six slips sent home, he/she is permanently off of the bus until the parents and child have a meeting with the Pastor to determine whether the child should be given another chance.

This policy must be enforced! It may seem harsh at first but the physical and spiritual lives of each rider must be taken very seriously.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We love having children ride our vehicles and attending Sunday School at our church- Including yours!! Today, though, we had a problem that you need to be aware of. Your child/ children _____ did the following that is unacceptable to us:

I am confident you will help us in this matter. Please sign your name below and send this slip back with your child/children. Thank you for your help.

(signature)

Sincerely,

Rev. John Jones, Pastor

_____-1st offense-may return next week

_____-2nd offense-may return in three weeks

_____-6th offense-meet with Pastor (before returning)