

Terms of Use

Good Shepherd Outreach Ministries

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<https://www.gsomsumtersc.org>

These Terms have been updated for the redesigned GSOM website and its current informational, prayer-request, event, ministry-contact, and donation features.

1. Acceptance of These Terms

These Terms of Use ("Terms") govern your access to and use of the Good Shepherd Outreach Ministries website located at <https://www.gsomsumtersc.org> (the "Website"). The Website is operated by Good Shepherd Outreach Ministries ("GSOM," "we," "us," or "our").

By accessing or using the Website, you agree to these Terms and our Privacy Policy. If you do not agree, please do not use the Website. These Terms apply only to the Website and do not replace any separate agreement that may govern a specific ministry service, event, or transaction.

2. Purpose of the Website

The Website provides information about GSOM, its Christian mission, leadership, ministries, The Total Woman Teaching Series, events, prayer opportunities, ministry services, and ways to give or make contact.

Website content is provided for general religious, educational, informational, and inspirational purposes. It is not medical, mental-health, legal, financial, tax, or other professional advice and should not be relied upon as a substitute for qualified professional services.

3. Prayer Requests and Ministry-Service Requests

You may use designated Website forms to submit a prayer request, ask a question, RSVP for an event, or request information about ministry services. You agree to provide accurate information and to avoid submitting unlawful, threatening, harassing, defamatory, obscene, fraudulent, or infringing material.

Please share only information that is reasonably necessary and that you are comfortable providing. Do not submit Social Security numbers, financial account credentials, medical records, or personal information about another person without authorization.

Prayer requests are limited to authorized GSOM ministry team members as described in our Privacy Policy. Submission of a prayer or ministry-service request does not create a confidential counseling, clergy, fiduciary, medical, legal, or other professional relationship, and it does not guarantee that a legal privilege applies.

Website forms are not continuously monitored and are not emergency services. If you or another person is in immediate danger, call 911 or contact the appropriate emergency service.

4. Donations

The Website may provide an option to donate to GSOM through PayPal. PayPal processes online donations under its own terms, privacy statement, and security practices. GSOM does not receive or store your complete payment-card, bank-account, or PayPal login credentials.

You are responsible for providing accurate payment information and confirming the amount and purpose of your donation before completing the transaction. If you believe a donation was made in error or without

authorization, contact GSOM and PayPal promptly. GSOM will review refund or correction requests in good faith, subject to applicable law, available funds, and payment-processor requirements.

Donations may also be made by check or money order payable to Good Shepherd Outreach Ministries and mailed to P.O. Box 3038, Sumter, SC 29151. Statements about tax deductibility are general information only. Donors should consult a qualified tax adviser regarding their individual circumstances.

PayPal User Agreement: <https://www.paypal.com/us/legalhub/paypal/useragreement-full>

5. Permitted Use

GSOM grants you a limited, revocable, nonexclusive, nontransferable right to access and use the Website for personal, lawful, and noncommercial purposes consistent with these Terms.

You may not:

- Use the Website in violation of any applicable law or regulation.
- Attempt to gain unauthorized access to the Website, its systems, user submissions, or related networks.
- Introduce malware, malicious code, automated attacks, or other technology that could damage, disable, overload, or interfere with the Website.
- Use bots, scraping tools, or automated methods to copy, harvest, or extract Website content or visitor information without written permission.
- Impersonate another person, misrepresent your affiliation, or submit false or misleading information.
- Use Website content or contact information for unsolicited advertising, spam, fundraising, or commercial solicitation.
- Copy, republish, distribute, modify, sell, license, or create derivative works from protected Website content except as permitted by law or with GSOM's written permission.

6. Intellectual Property

Unless otherwise stated, the Website and its original text, photographs, graphics, logos, designs, videos, audio, ministry names, and other content are owned by or licensed to GSOM and are protected by copyright, trademark, and other intellectual-property laws.

You may view and print reasonable portions of the Website for personal, noncommercial use, provided you do not remove ownership or rights notices. No other license is granted by implication or otherwise.

If you believe material on the Website infringes your copyright or other intellectual-property rights, contact info@gsomsumtersc.org with a description of the protected work, the location of the disputed material, your contact information, and a statement explaining the basis of your claim.

7. Third-Party Services and Links

The Website may contain links to or integrations with third-party websites and services, including PayPal, Facebook, and Wix. These services are not controlled by GSOM and may have their own terms, privacy policies, accessibility practices, and security measures.

A link or reference does not necessarily mean that GSOM endorses all content, products, services, or opinions offered by the third party. Your use of a third-party service is at your own discretion and subject to that party's terms.

8. Privacy

Our Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, share, retain, and protect information associated with the Website. By using the Website, you acknowledge that you have had an opportunity to review the Privacy Policy.

9. Website Availability and Changes

We may modify, suspend, restrict, or discontinue any part of the Website at any time. We do not guarantee that the Website or any feature will always be available, uninterrupted, secure, current, or error-free.

We may correct errors or update information without prior notice. Event dates, locations, speakers, availability, and ministry services may change, so visitors should confirm time-sensitive information directly with GSOM.

10. Disclaimers

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE WEBSITE AND ITS CONTENT ARE PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE" WITHOUT WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF ACCURACY, MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, TITLE, AND NON-INFRINGEMENT.

GSOM DOES NOT WARRANT THAT THE WEBSITE WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, ERROR-FREE, COMPLETELY SECURE, OR FREE OF VIRUSES OR OTHER HARMFUL COMPONENTS. NOTHING IN THESE TERMS EXCLUDES A WARRANTY OR RIGHT THAT CANNOT LAWFULLY BE EXCLUDED.

11. Limitation of Liability

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, GSOM AND ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, MINISTERS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AGENTS, AND SERVICE PROVIDERS WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO YOUR USE OF, OR INABILITY TO USE, THE WEBSITE OR THIRD-PARTY SERVICES LINKED FROM IT.

WHERE LIABILITY CANNOT BE EXCLUDED, GSOM'S LIABILITY WILL BE LIMITED TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW. THESE LIMITATIONS DO NOT APPLY TO LIABILITY THAT THE LAW DOES NOT ALLOW TO BE LIMITED OR EXCLUDED.

12. Indemnification

To the extent permitted by law, you agree to indemnify and hold harmless GSOM and its trustees, officers, ministers, employees, volunteers, and agents from third-party claims, losses, liabilities, damages, and reasonable costs arising from your unlawful use of the Website, your violation of these Terms, or your infringement of another person's rights.

13. Governing Law and Venue

These Terms are governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina, without regard to conflict-of-law principles. Any legal action arising from these Terms or the Website must be brought in a state court located in Sumter County, South Carolina, or a federal court serving that county, unless applicable law requires another forum.

Before filing a legal action, the parties agree to make a reasonable good-faith effort to resolve the dispute informally by written notice and discussion, except when immediate injunctive or other emergency relief is reasonably necessary.

14. Changes to These Terms

We may update these Terms to reflect changes in the Website, our practices, or legal requirements. The updated Terms will be posted on the Website with a revised effective date. Your continued use of the Website after revised Terms take effect constitutes acceptance of the revised Terms.

15. General Provisions

If any provision of these Terms is found unenforceable, the remaining provisions will remain in effect. Our failure to enforce a provision is not a waiver of our right to do so later. These Terms and the Privacy Policy constitute the entire agreement between you and GSOM regarding use of the Website, except for any additional terms governing a specific service or transaction.

16. Contact Us

Questions about these Terms or the Website may be directed to:

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