

Menno Simons Centre Community Guidelines

Notes on Community:

“The power of community is that it helps us understand ourselves. In a healthy community, we come to know ourselves and find strength in that knowledge. In community, we learn how to live a life beyond ourselves, we begin to discover our potential and our strengths, and we are best positioned to make our greatest contribution. When community happens the way God designed us to live, it is always inclusive and never exclusive....Healthy communities are always permeable. You are never forced in, but you're always welcome.”

-Soul Cravings (entry 18)

FULL VALUE CONTRACT

This full value contract asks you to agree to these five commitments as guidelines for community participation.

Because I care about myself and the MSC community, I agree

- **To Work Together** with the community in order to achieve both my own goals as God's child and the goals of the MSC community.
- **To Be Safe, Emotionally and Physically.**
To take care of myself and my community's physical and emotional safety. This includes having a positive attitude, respecting each other, avoiding destructive behaviour, and following MSC policies.
- **To Communicate**
To give & receive honest feedback by listening to what others have to say to me and telling others what I am thinking and feeling too.
- **To Grow**
To commit to the pursuit of a personal relationship with God. To learn new things and to step out of my comfort zone and take appropriate risks which I can learn from.
- **To Fully Engage In Each Area of Community**
 - Fall & Winter Retreats
 - Community Project Days
 - Resident & Community Meals
 - RA Groups
 - MSC Stewardship