**The Pentecostals of Billings**

**Platform Policy**

 The platform is a special place of ministry. Those that minister in music there have the privilege and responsibility of leading others in worship. Their appearance and actions are as important as their singing or playing. What a person may do on the pew is not the same high standards we expect from those who minister up front. If you feel the stage is a place where you can minister, we welcome your participation.

**All of our high standards are set**

**so as not to draw attention to ourselves,**

**but to lift up Jesus.**

 God is more concerned with availability than He is with ability, and so are we. We strive to involve people in music ministry in such a way that they can make a commitment of preparation time without it overlapping other priorities. God deserves our best, and improvement and excellence takes time and effort. Multiple musicians and singers make it possible to have a higher quality of music with each song and service. For ministry, attendance at prayer meetings and a personal prayer life is as significant as practice.

Music ministry is welcomed by every person who meets the following criteria:

At least 12 years old

Have repented, been baptized in the name of Jesus, and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Have completed a bible study summary or discipleship class

Is faithful in church attendance

Is faithful in church support; tithes and offerings

Platform Guidelines:

Ladies should wear dresses which have a hemline below the knee; sleeves at least ¾ of the way to the elbow.

 - no low cut dresses (either in the back or front)

 - no earrings, necklaces, bracelets, or excessive finger rings

 - no brightly painted faces, eyes, or nails

Men should wear shirts with a collar and pants. Proper attire includes suspenders or a belt. Coats and ties are preferred. Hair should be cut to look like a man.

 - no muscle shirts or t-shirts

Modesty and sensibility should be sought after at all times. Even though the midweek service is more casual, flip-flops, athletic shoes, and faded blue denim skirts and pants should be avoided.