Guidelines for Leaving Parsonage

Responsibilities of Pastor-Parish Relations Committee for Parsonage:

- 1. Provide new mattress pads for all beds.
- 2. Make sure all plumbing facilities are working properly; provide new plastic shower curtain liners.
- 3. Have drapes and carpets cleaned professionally, as needed.
- 4. Make sure furniture, appliances, etc., are in good repair and working order.
- 5. Hire professional exterminator, as needed.
- 6. Paint interior as necessary; repair any damage done to walls by pictures.
- 7. Check parsonage after family has moved and be sure things are clean and in order for incoming family.
- 8. Make sure provision is made for welcoming meal for incoming family.

Responsibilities of Parsonage Family:

- 1. Make sure walls and floors are clean, if they are not to be painted or refinished.
- 2. Wash windows and sills.
- 3. Clean attics and basements and outside utility rooms; have trash hauled away.
- 4. Wash, iron and re-hang washable curtains.
- 5. Clean and disinfect bathroom fixtures and tile.
- 6. Thoroughly clean stove and refrigerator.
- 7. Vacuum and wipe out all cabinets, closet shelves, etc.
- 8. Repair any pet damage and remove evidence of their presence (hair, fleas, etc.)
- 9. Make arrangements for utility transfer. Have meters read rather than disconnecting service. If you found a full tank, leave it full. If not, suggest that the church fill it so the process can be followed in the future.
- 10. Leave light bulbs in fixtures, toilet paper in bathrooms, phone book near phone.
- 11. Leave name of parsonage committee chairperson and leave all parsonage keys marked.
- 12. Leave your home clean and ready for the incoming family to unpack and feel comfortable. Realize that everyone has varying cleanliness standards; accept in love the parsonage into which you move. If your new parsonage is found unacceptable, notify the District Superintendent as soon as possible.