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Initial Interview Form & Informed Consent

CLIENT INFORMATION			
Name:			
Phone: (wk) (hm) (cell)			
May I contact you and leave messages at these phone numbers?Yes No			
Address: City:			
State: ZIP: Email:			
May I mail to this address?YesNo May I email you? Yes No			
Sex: male female			
Others living at home:			
Employer: Occupation:			
How long have you worked there? How long in this occupation?			
Education (list highest level):			
Primary Physician: Phone:			
List any significant health problems:			
List any medications you are taking & dosage:			
Have you seen this type of therapist before Yes No			
If yes, when and with whom?			
Give a brief description of treatment:			
How were you referred to our office?			
Who may we thank for referring you?			
Nearest relative other than spouse:			
Have you considered or attempted suicide? Yes No If yes, when?			

FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSON'S INFORMATION

Name:	Relationship to Client:
Phone (if different):	
Address (if different):	

INFORMED CONSENT

The Vale Counseling and Rehabilitation Center provides biblical counseling and spiritual guidance. Candice Newman, MABC, LPC is a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor, License #63575 issued by the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, Member of the American Counselor Association, Member of the Christian Association for Psychological Studies. Candice Newman, MABC, LPC has had clinical experience counseling children, adolescents, couples, families, and individuals and facilitates all professional work from a Christian worldview.

Professional Christian counselors who are not acting in a pastoral capacity are considered to be "Mental Health Professionals." This category included church counseling staff, independent Christian counseling agencies, as well as commissioned or ordained Christian counselors.

The counselee agrees to take advantage of the counselor's services and training, and understands that the Bible will be the foundational basis for all counseling.

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT:

All information shared in this treatment is confidential except in circumstances governed by law.

- If you would like me to confer with another healthcare professional, you will need to sign a "Release of Information" form. You can revoke this permission at any time. Both parties agree to take all reasonable measures to ensure confidentiality with any communication over the phone and/or Internet.
- When a statement allowing release of information is signed by the client.
- When the client expresses an intent to kill themselves or someone else.
- When Child/Elder abuse or neglect is currently occurring.

FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

Fees are payable at the time of service. Your fee per session is \$______. Your regular fee will be charged for any additional professional services rendered at your request, such as phone contacts over 5 minutes, consults with other professional, etc. Preparation of special forms, reports, court time, etc. will be billed at the rate of \$_____ per hour. We accept cash, check, VISA, MasterCard, and Discover.

The Usual, Customary, and Reasonable fee for individual counseling at this level is \$130.00 per session. We do have a sliding scale available. Please speak to me if this is a need.

It is Life Builder's policy that no one is turned away because of lack of payment; however, this must be pre-arranged.

YOUR PAYMENT IS TO BE PAID IN FULL AT THE TIME OF EACH SESSION. FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE EVERY SIX MONTHS.

NO-SHOW AND CANCELLATION POLICY

Your visit has been reserved for you. 24 hours notice is required for cancellation or you will be charged a late cancellation fee of a full session fee. You may leave a message with our office 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

EMERGENCIES

If it is a potential life-threatening emergency, please go to your local emergency room. For non-life threatening emergencies, you may contact me at 972-698-8478 vm# 309. Should I not be available, my message will instruct you to call one of the other counselors in our office.

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand that, under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPPA"), I have certain rights to privacy regarding my protected health information. I understand that this information can and will be used to:

- Conduct, plan and direct my treatment and follow-up among the multiple healthcare providers who may be involved in that treatment directly and indirectly.
- Obtain payment from third-party payers.
- Conduct normal healthcare operations such as quality assessments and physician certifications.

I understand that I may request in writing that you restrict how my private information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment or health care operations. I also understand you are not required to agree to my requested restrictions, but if you do agree then you are bound to abide by such restrictions.

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

Client	Date
Provider	Date
Parent of Guardian if minor	Date

I have read and understand this information sheet and informed consent.