RIGHT TO PRIVACY and COUNSELOR ACCOUNTABILITY:

Since your counselor is not licensed, he or she is not responsible to the ethics outlined by the state board in which he or she ministers. However, he or she is responsible to the authority of the Bible and her nonprofit organization.

If conduct of your counselor is considered illegal by law, do not hesitate to contact the proper authorities.

Content of your counseling sessions is confidential. However, legally and biblically there are several conditions under which your counselor may break confidentiality. They are listed as follows

- 1. If you threaten to hurt yourself of someone else.
- 2. If you disclose any involvement in child-abuse.
- 3. If your conduct merits church discipline as outlined in the by-laws of the church of which you are a member.

REFERRALS:

Should the counselee and/or counselor believe that a referral is needed, alternatives will be provided. A verbal exploration of alternatives to counseling will also be made available upon request. The counselee will be responsible for contacting and evaluating those referrals and/or alternatives.