



## Information needed...

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Names(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_

Dad's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mom's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth (*city*) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address  
(*Home address/  
City/Prov./Postal*) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Family members to  
Be recognized (*siblings*) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Selected Bible Verse \_\_\_\_\_

Version \_\_\_\_\_

### What is Child Dedication?

Child dedication is a ceremony in which believing parents, and sometimes entire families, make a commitment before the Lord to submit a child to God's will and to raise that child according to God's Word and God's ways. It is a voluntary act of worship on the part of the parents. If a child is not dedicated, there is no loss of blessing or favor from God.

### Why would someone want to dedication their child?

Christian parents who dedicate a child are making a promise to the Lord to do everything within their power to raise the child in a godly way, prayerfully until he or she can make a decision on his or her own to follow God. Parents who make this vow of commitment are instructed to raise the child in the ways of God, and not according to their own ways. Some of the responsibilities include teaching and training the child in God's Word, demonstrating an example of godliness, disciplining according to God's ways, and praying earnestly for the child. Child dedication is more about the commitment of the parents than the blessing of the child.

You should dedicate your child if you, a) realize that this ceremony has nothing to do with the child's salvation, b) desire to praise God for the new life you are blessed to nurture, c) commit to raising this child in the community of faith and love of Jesus Christ.



*Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from Him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they content with their opponents in court.  
Psalm 127:3-5*