

# Baby Dedication



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**North Pointe  
Community Church  
believes children are a  
gift from God and we  
are excited that you  
are showing interest in  
dedicating your  
baby or child.**



Baby Dedication is a public commitment you make before God, your church, friends, and family. The dedication service provides you, the parent(s), the opportunity to express publically your desire to lead your child in the ways of the Lord with the Holy Spirit guiding you, so that your child will develop a desire to love God and love others!

## Why should I dedicate my child?

In the Bible, in 1 Samuel 1:27-28 (NASB), a woman named Hannah prayed year after year for God to give her a child. He answered her prayer and she gave birth to a son, whom she named Samuel. When Samuel was born, Hannah prayed these words:

*"For this boy I prayed, and the Lord has given me my petition which I asked of Him. So I have also dedicated him to the Lord; as long as he lives he is dedicated to the Lord."*

In Luke chapter 2 of the New Testament, following the birth of Jesus, Mary and Joseph took the infant Jesus to the temple and dedicated Him.

We see that in both passages, the parents entrusted their child completely to God. A key step in showing their desire to lead their child in the ways of the Lord was to dedicate them to God publically, through a child dedication ceremony. This is why we see the importance of it too!



**Do I need  
to be a  
North Pointe  
member to  
dedicate my  
child?**

**You do not need to be a member to have your child dedicated. But we would love for you to call North Pointe your home church if you chose to. Why?**

**In dedicating your child to God, you are stating that you are willing to partner with God and the church to raise your child in the ways of the Lord.**

## **What can I expect during a baby dedication?**

The dedication service will take place after the last service. The service will take place in the North Auditorium.

You are welcome to invite any of your closest friends and families to this special service.

The pastor will lead the service, welcome those that are attending, ask a few questions where the parents will respond to, read a scripture over the child (which is chosen by the parents) and end with a prayer of blessing over the child.

The service will be recorded and we will send you the link so that you can have it as keepsake. Also a little gift will be handed to you.

### **Does North Pointe baptize infants?**

No. Scripture provides evidence that baptism follows an individual's decision to trust Christ alone for Salvation (Acts 2:41, 8:12, and 10:47-48) and the New Testament records the baptisms of adult believers only.



## **At what age can a child be dedicated?**

**We do not have a set age requirement for baby dedications. Parents can choose to dedicate their child as young as a newborn or much older than that.**

## **Can a single parent participate in a dedication service?**

**Yes! Child dedication signifies the commitment of parents (including single parents) to do the best to raise their child to be a follower of Christ.**

## **Requirements for baby dedications**

**Fill out our online form, to book your date. Baby dedications will take place on the first Sunday of every month. Please submit your forms 1-month prior to the Dedication Weekend.**



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