

WHAT IS CHILD DEDICATION

Child or Baby Dedication is an act whereby parents present their child before the Lord and make a commitment to raise and train that child in accordance with His ways, to become a Christ follower. This may be done within the context of the Christian community in a formal or informal manner or even in a home among a believing family.

Is Child Dedication Biblical?

Read 1 Samuel 1 and Luke 2:22 to see examples of Hannah and Joseph and Mary respectively, presenting their children before the Lord.

Children are a Gift Given to Parents

Children are a gift from God. Psalm 127:3 "Children are a heritage from the Lord. They are a reward from Him." As believers we are called to recognize that children belong first and foremost to God. God in His goodness gives children as gifts to parents. Our response should be to dedicate them back to God and ask for His grace, wisdom and guidance in caring for and raising His most valuable and precious possessions.

Parents' Responsibility

Parents are called to raise their children tenderly, in the training and admonition of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4 (Amp) "Fathers, do not irritate and provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to resentment], but rear them tenderly in the training and discipline and the counsel and admonition of the Lord."

To further explain this, the original Greek words in this text carry the following meanings:

- To rear up to maturity, that is, (generally) to cherish or train: – bring up, nourish.
- Tutelage, that is, education or training; by implication disciplinary correction: – chastening, chastisement, instruction, nurture.
- Calling attention to, that is, (by implication) mild rebuke or warning: – admonition.



From this and other Scriptures, we determine that our responsibility as parents is:

- To love, cherish and nurture.
- To train, educate and instruct.
- To discipline and correct.

Sunday School

We encourage parents to bring their kids to the Sunday school so that they can learn about JESUS and Godly principles from an early age.

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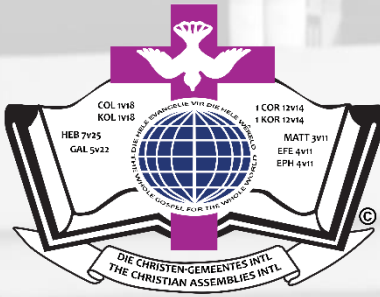
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Child dedication

(Application Form)



APPLICATION FOR CHILD DEDICATION

THE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLIES INTERNATIONAL

*I/We hereby apply to dedicate our child to the LORD according to Mark 10:14,16. According to the Word, *I/We undertake to, as far as possible, faithfully comply with the following provisions:

1. That I will teach my children the Word of the LORD according to Deuteronomy 6:7;
2. That I will not resist my children to serve the LORD honestly and out of their own free will at a later stage- Matthew 18:6;
3. That I will maintain the irreproachable example presented to Timothy toward the believers- 1 Timothy 4:12.

A. PARTICULARS OF CHILD

Full Name

Surname Place of Birth

Date of Birth Gender Id. No.

B. PARTICULARS OF FATHER

Full Names:

Surname: Id. No.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

C. PARTICULARS OF MOTHER

Full Names:

Surname: Id. No.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

FOR USE BY THE CHURCH COUNCIL

*Approved/Declined by the Church Council

Date: _____

Proposer: _____ Second: _____

Chairperson: _____ Secretary: _____

*Strike through whichever is not applicable

NB: Where more than one child per parent is dedicated, a separate application form must be completed