

Your Commitment:

The child dedication is truly a parent commitment service. It's the parent's promise to offer their child to the Lord and to dedicate themselves to rearing their child for the glory of God.

OUR GOAL IS TO:

- Help parents recognize that they are stewards of God's gift of children.
- Facilitate the parent's verbal commitment to raise their child in a Christian environment.
- Challenge parents to be examples in service and worship for their children.
- Assist parents in laying a firm foundation of learning about God and an example of the power of salvation for their child.

Our Commitment:

Child Dedication is also a time for the church to commit to walk alongside you as you point your child toward Christ. You will receive a gift during the celebration to help you disciple your child each step of the way, from birth to age eighteen. It is also a place for keepsake items from your child's discipleship journey.

Home Celebration Ideas:

- Have a dinner or celebration time with family and friends before/ after the weekend service.
- Invite family members and special family friends to write blessings to your child to put in their Faith Box they will receive at the celebration. Make sure you write one too!
- Record a video message for your child to view in the future. Speak words of affirmation, sharing how you are praying for their spiritual journey and how you desire to point them toward Christ. Put the video in your child's Faith Box that they will receive during the celebration. You can also write a letter, if that works better for you.



Child Dedication Celebration

Congratulations!

We are so glad that you are interested in participating with us in our Child Dedication Celebration. You have been entrusted with the precious gift of new life, and we look forward to partnering with you as you embark on this parenting journey. It is our hope and prayer that the Child Dedication Celebration will be a memorable occasion for you and your family.

Before we get to the big event, we invite you to complete the following steps to prepare for the Child Dedication Celebration:



STEP 1. REGISTER ONLINE

Go to www.reallifeministries.com/childdedication



STEP 2. COMPLETE THE "OUR VISION" WORKSHEET

You can download the worksheet from www.reallifeministries.com/childdedication

Please bring your homework from the first parenting talk to the celebration event to share with your family and friends.



STEP 3. LET'S CELEBRATE!

The last step in the process is to attend the Child Dedication Celebration. We are planning a meaningful and memorable celebration for you and your family. We look forward to celebrating this special day with you.



QUESTIONS? Contact Deb Jaime, 208.777.7325

Celebration Details:



Do I need to bring my "Our Vision Worksheet"?

Yes, you will share your worksheet with your guests at the event. We want you to share your hopes for the kind of person your child will one day become.



What to wear?

There is no special dress code, but we do recommend making the day special by dressing up a little for the celebration.



When to arrive?

We ask that you would arrive 10 minutes before the celebration begins.



How many people can we invite?

Because of space limitations we ask that you limit the total number of guests to 15 (including your immediate family).



What do I do if my baby cries?

Be assured that every parent in the room completely understands and is sitting with a baby too. This celebration is designed to include your wiggly baby, so don't worry.



How long does it last?

Usually about 30-40 minutes.



Prayer Partners:

There will be a time of prayer and dedication as part of the service. At this point we encourage you to enlist the consistent prayer of those who you have invited to attend the celebration.



Refreshments:

There will be light refreshments provided during the celebration, we encourage you to stay as long as you want to celebrate and take pictures with your family.

