

Chapel Hill Baptist Church
Baby Dedication Information Form
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Proverbs 22:6 *Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.*

We believe the Bible states very clearly that parents are the ones that are to teach their children about God. At Chapel Hill Baptist Church, we want to partner with you in training up your child. One of the first steps that you can take is dedicating your child to God.

Is there scriptural evidence for baby/child dedication?

In **Samuel 1:27-38**, Hannah dedicated her son Samuel to the Lord.
In **Luke 2:22** Jesus was dedicated to the Lord as a baby (and then baptized as an adult).

Is dedicating a child to the Lord the same as infant baptism?

No. In the dedication of children, the primary emphasis is not on the child, but on the parents. We are making public our intentions to make sure that our child, that was given to us by God, is raised up in a Godly manner and with Biblical instruction.

The dedication does not ensure the child's salvation. It instead gives parents an opportunity to express their intentions to the church household that they will "train up a child in the way he(or she) should go...". The church then has a responsibility to support those parents in that decision and to hold them to that commitment.

We believe the Bible teaches baptism is only for those who understand what sin and death are and have already decided to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour as described in Romans 10:9-10.

Child's Full Name _____

Child's Birthdate _____ Age _____

Parent(s) Name(s) _____

Phone _____ E-mail. _____

Address _____

Family's Church Affiliation _____