## **CHILD DEDICATION FORM**



Child's Full Name:	
Mother Name and Phone:	
Father Name and Phone:	
Are mom and dad married?	Child D.O.B.:
Requested date for dedication:	Alternate Date:
Please provide us with a bible verse and the version you want to use that we can put on the slide and read as part of the prayer and dedication.	
Bible verse:	_Bible Translation:

We require a family picture and one picture of the child on his / her own. It doesn't need to be a professional photo. A casual phone picture will work fine. This photo should be given/e-mailed to us no later than the Wednesday before your child's dedication.

## THEOLOGICAL POSITION OF CHILD DEDICATION:

Some churches believe infant baptism or dedication is a way of imparting salvation to the child. This is not our theological position. We practice child dedication in the biblical tradition of Hannah offering Samuel back to the Lord. She acknowledged her son was a gift from God and gave him back to the Lord for His service. We believe child dedication is a whole home dedication. It is a commitment made by the parents (and our church family) to do whatever they can to help ensure the child grows up safe, healthy, and spiritually ready to respond to the Gospel message of Jesus.

Please reach out to Pastor Chad with any questions or special requests regarding your child's dedication.

## ON THE DAY:

- Plan to arrive early to ensure you get a good seat and are prepared. We suggest sitting up close to the front so it is easy to get in and out of your seat.
- The pastor will confirm the order of service with you. Dedications are generally held in-between the worship and the message.
- We'll ask a few formal commitment statements of which you will answer "We Do" (IE: Will you commit to honouring your marriage vows and investing in your marriage to create a healthy home environment for \_\_\_\_\_\_to grow up in?" "We do."
- Family and friends are welcome to join in for the dedication prayer after the introductions and the commitment statements have been made. We will invite them up.
- It's customary for the pastor to hold the child for the prayer but this doesn't always work. The mom or dad should be ready to take the child if needed and the prayer will continue.