

Water Baptism Guide for Children

We are so excited that you are considering baptism for your child!

At **Creekwood Kids**, we believe every child can have a personal relationship with Jesus. We encourage children to grow in their faith by:

- Attending services
- Participating in small groups
- Learning memory verses
- Completing their God Time Cards

Is My Child Ready?

We recommend that parents **wait until their child begins asking to be water baptized**. This is usually a sign that they are experiencing a personal desire to follow Jesus and that baptism will be a meaningful spiritual milestone.

To help discern your child's readiness, ask them the following questions:

1. When did you decide to follow Jesus and become born again?

Your child should be able to describe a moment or experience when they recognized their need for Jesus.

It may have happened:

- At church
- At home
- While reading or praying alone

2. What does it mean to be water baptized?

Look for an understanding like:

"I am following Jesus, and I want everyone to know! It's a picture of what Jesus has done on the inside of me."

3. Why do you want to be water baptized?

Answers might include:

"Because Jesus was baptized and He tells us to be baptized too." "Because I want to follow Him." "Because I am born again."

If Your Child IS Ready:

- Celebrate this important step in their faith!
- Read through the **Water Baptism Devotional** together to help them understand and prepare.

If Your Child IS NOT Ready:

That's perfectly okay!

- Let them continue learning and growing in their relationship with Jesus.
- Let them observe water baptisms and talk about what it means.
- Continue reading the Water Baptism Devotional together.
- Encourage their journey of faith and celebrate each step along the way.

If you have any questions or would like help walking through this process, we're here for you!

- The Creekwood Kids Team