

WATER BAPTISM: Respond In Obedience To God

Water Baptism is an outward sign of an inward change. It is an obedient response to God and an expression of your commitment to Christ. It is a way to show others that you have entered into a relationship with Jesus Christ and symbolizes what took place in your heart at the time of salvation.

Because Jesus instructed us to be baptized, baptism is an act of obedience. While it is not necessary for salvation, Water Baptism demonstrates your submission to God. When you accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, you shared in his death and resurrection, which is symbolically illustrated by going under the water (dead to your old life) and rising again (new life). Through Water Baptism, you are symbolically washed clean because your sins were forgiven by Jesus' death on the cross.

BAPTISM QUESTIONNAIRE:	Today's Date:	
I. Personal Information (Please Complete One	Form Per Person)	
Full Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number (s):		
E-Mail:		
Birthdate:		

II. My Story

To help us share in the meaning of your baptism, please tell us some of the highlights of how you came to know Jesus and your present relationship with Him.

[Sample Outline]

- 1. Describe your life before you came to know Jesus.
- 2. When and how did you become a Christian?3. How has your life changed because of Jesus?

III. Questionnaire

1.	Please tell us a little about yourself: family, work, interests
2.	Do you have assurance that you are a Christian? What is the basis for your assurance?
	How do you keep your Christian life new and exciting? Do you read the Bible and pray? What proach do you find helpful?
4.	How do you plan to keep growing as a Christian?

5. What are some of the obstacles or hard things you will need to deal with in order to mature in your faith?
6. Do you have people and/or a group that encourages you in your Christian walk? Explain.
Congratulations on your decision to be baptized! Our prayer is that this will be a turning point in your life and faith and that through baptism, you will come to grow in your relationship with God and others, and experience the power of grace in your daily life.
Grace and peace to you in Christ, Crossings Church