

Baby Dedication Litany:

Pastor: The child you hold is a gift from your Heavenly Father. Before the thought of *Baby's name* entered your mind, the Lord had already determined that you, *parent's names*, would become his parents. *Baby's name*, birth is therefore an occasion to celebrate and to reflect on God's goodness. Parent's name, what is your response?

Parents: *We are blessed.*

Pastor: Scripture commands you as parents to teach your child about the Lord Jesus Christ. Only then will they be adequately equipped for the challenges of life and sufficiently prepared to meet the Lord when He returns. But your child's spiritual welfare will not be accomplished simply by telling him about Jesus. It is the words of your mouth combined with the obvious Presence of the Holy Spirit in your own life that will effectively communicate the message of God's love and saving power to your child. The birth of your children needs to inspire within you a greater resolve to let Christ shine through you by being even more intentional in your pursuit of holiness and the supremacy of God in your home. *Parent's name*, what is your response?

Parents: *We are committed.*

Pastor: As a church we are all part of the family of God. As a family we need to work alongside *Parent's name* in their efforts to portray Christ to their children. Are we merely spectators, or will we rise to the challenge of being brothers and sisters in Christ and exhibit godly characteristics and thus provide continuity in what is being taught at home and what is being seen in church? Congregation, what is your response?

Congregation: *We are family.*

Pastor: As a family we must also be willing to hold one another accountable and confront one another when a mistake is made in order that the purity and integrity of our commitments are maintained. You have heard *Parent's name* state their commitment to a greater level of Christlikeness for the sake of *Baby's name*. Will you now acknowledge their commitment and indicate your willingness to help them keep their promise? Church, what is your response?

Congregation: *We are witnesses.*

Pastor: Let us pray...

Pastor: ...and all God's people said, "***Amen.***"