

## **Baptism Information Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to be baptized?

Personal testimony: (be prepared to share a short personal testimony)

My life before I knew Christ as my Savior:

Why and how I received Christ as my Savior:

My life after I received Christ as my Savior:

Which pastor would you like to baptize you? \_\_\_ Bob \_\_\_ Bob Jr \_\_\_ Luke \_\_\_ Ronnie Kocher

Would you like anyone else to assist the pastor in your baptism (i.e parent, grandparent, person who led you to Christ, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Fill out this form completely and return it.  
Please keep "The Meaning of Baptism sheet for your information**

# The Meaning of Baptism

## I. Why should I be baptized?

- a. To follow Jesus' example

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptized by John in the Jordan River. Mark 1:9

- b. Because Jesus commands it

Jesus said, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." Matthew 28:19-20

- c. It demonstrates to others that I really am a Christian.

We know that we have come to know Him if we obey His commands. I John 2:3

## II. What is the meaning of baptism?

- a. It is a profession of my faith in Christ.

We were buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. Romans 6:4

- b. It is an expression of my submission to Christ

But John kept objecting and said, "I ought to be baptized by You. Why have you come to me?" Jesus answered, "For now this is how it should be, because we must do all that God wants us to do." Then John agreed. Matthew 3:14-15

## III. How to prepare for your baptism

- a. Prepare and review your personal testimony (either memorized or written on 3X5 card)

- My life before I knew Christ as my Savior
- Why and how and when I received Christ as my Savior
- My life after I received Christ as my Savior (what difference it has made)

- b. Pray about and consider the significance of baptism in your life. Look at the passages concerning baptism in Acts 8:26-38 and Romans 6:1-11

- c. Invite your family and friends to your baptism. This is a special day in your life, so be sure to include those you love in your experience. This is also a great opportunity for your friends and family who are not Christ-followers to hear the Good News of the Gospel!!

#### **IV. Details of your baptism**

- a. Wear a modest bathing suit and a dark t-shirt
- b. The lake has some rocks on the bottom, so consider wearing old shoes. (optional)