



**INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
**DOMINION TEMPLE, NEW YORK**  
**4500 PARK AVENUE BRONX, NY. 10457**

### **BABY DEDICATION CEREMONY INFORMATION (Please read carefully)**

This ceremony provides parents with an opportunity to publicly present their children to the Lord for His protection and for His purposes in their child's life. In baby dedications, the parents reiterate their commitment to follow Jesus, to regularly attend and serve in a Christian church, and pledge to raise their child in an environment that will be conducive to their child one day making his or her own decision to become a disciple of Jesus. During the ceremony the child and parents will receive prayer from Rev. Prince Nyarko for the Lord's hand of blessing to be on them and that the Holy Spirit will be at work in their lives. The dedication is more than a ritual and should be taken very seriously. It is a commitment of parents to honor the will and Word of God and live accordingly. If you are unable to truthfully make this public commitment, we strongly recommend that you delay your baby's dedication until you can.

#### **TEACHING IN SCRIPTURES FOR BABY DEDICATION**

- Jesus Christ's Example: Luke 2:22
- Jesus Christ's Teaching: Mark 10:13-16
- The Example of Hannah and Samuel: 1 Samuel 1:10-11, 1:26-28
- The Responsibility of Godly Parents: Deuteronomy 6:1-7, Ephesians 6:1-4

#### **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

Complete the application and return it to the office or an usher no later than one month to the date you are requesting.

If you will like your child's picture shown on the big screens, please provide one on a CD in the JPG format, and submit it at the time of your application.

The church does not charge for the ceremony. However, in accordance to scripture, we encourage parents to give God a "Thanksgiving Offering" to serve as a seed offering to establishing God's blessings on the child.

#### **DAY OF THE CEREMONY**

Special seating will be available for up to 10 members of your family in a reserved section of the sanctuary. An usher or greeter can direct you to the appropriate location. Please arrive by 10:30am. Anyone not arriving by 10:30 a.m. forfeits their right to reserved seating.

#### **CEREMONY PROCEDURES**

The baby dedication will take place either right after the first offering (prior to sermon). Rev. Nyarko will invite you (parents) and the child you are dedicating to come and stand in front of the pulpit, facing him. After statements of commitment, he will pray for you and your child.

#### **HOLDING CHILD FOR DEDICATION**

Rev. Nyarko or the minister performing the ceremony will ask to hold your child during the dedication ceremony. If you choose not to allow your child to be held by the pastor or the minister during the ceremony, please initial here \_\_\_\_\_.

Please do not hesitate to contact the church office if you have any questions at (347) 431-3780.



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**Baby Dedication Application (Please type or print clearly)**

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Which of these describe your marriage? (Please check)

Traditional \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding \_\_\_\_\_ Legal \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Meaning of Child's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
mm/dd/yyyy

Date you are requesting for the ceremony \_\_\_\_\_ Approved Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been attending Dominion Temple? Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Father \_\_\_\_\_

Have you accepted Christ as your Savior? Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Father \_\_\_\_\_

When did you accept Jesus as your Savior? Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Father \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of Dominion Temple? Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Father \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the number of reserved seats (limit 10) \_\_\_\_\_

Adults (ages 16 and older only) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs or language barriers that requires assistance during the dedication ceremony? If so, please explain:  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Baby Dedication Ceremony Information Sheet (page 1). I understand my responsibilities listed therein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent / Guardian / Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pastors Signature / Date