We were therefore 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

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EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

WATER BAPTISM

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What is Water Baptism?

The word "baptize" means "to dip" or to "immerse." To be baptized is to make a public declaration of your decision to follow Jesus, it is not a means of salvation. Salvation comes through repentance and belief in Jesus, and then baptisms follows as a symbol of those actions (see Acts 2:38, 8:26-38)

When Should I Be Baptized?

Baptism is not a symbol of Christian maturity; it is a symbol of the beginning of the Christian life. Therefore there is no need to wait a specific period of time before getting baptized. You can become a Christian and get baptized a few minutes later (see Acts 8:34-38).

We do baptism's all throughout the year and we'd love to include you in the next one.

Who Should be Baptized?

All who have repented of their sins and accepted Jesus as their Lord and saviour should be baptized (see Matthew 28:19- 20, Acts 2:38)

I Want to Get Baptized... What Do I Do?

Great! We would love to meet you. If you want to get baptized please fill out your information on the tear off page of this brochure. A pastor will contact you shortly to tell you about the next step. You can also read through all of the passages that are referenced in this brochure to make sure you have a good biblical understanding of the decision you're making

Why Do We Baptize?

1. Out of obedience to Jesus' command (Matthew 28:19-20).
2. To follow the example of Jesus Matthew 3:13-17).
3. As a public identification with Jesus and his church (Matthew 10:32-33).
4. As a symbol of the change that has occurred in us when Jesus came into our lives (Romans 6:4-5).
   a. Washing away our sins (we enter as we are and come out clean)
   b. Death to our old self (immersion represents being buried at death) Resurrection from death to new life (coming out of the water as a new person)
   c. Walking in newness of life (we walk out of the water into a new lifestyle)
5. To demonstrate a good conscience before God (1 Peter 3:20-21).
6. To demonstrate our commitment to follow and serve God (Romans 6:4-14)

What to Bring to Your Baptism?

- A large towel and extra clothing.
- A dark coloured shirt and pants or shorts to wear in the water.

What Will Happen After?

Expect God's blessing in your life. He always blessed steps of faith and obedience (Isaiah 1:19)
Expect to feel freedom (Romans 6:16)
Expect an increase in faith as a result of your public confession (2 Corinthians 9:13)
Expect spiritual attack (potentially doubt or negative circumstances). Our enemy doesn't like it when we obey God, but we can overcome him! (James 4:7)

COMMON QUESTIONS ABOUT WATER BAPTISM

Because of the service by which you have provided yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else."
2 Corinthians 9:13