

# WATER BAPTISM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Age if under 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Parent \_\_\_\_\_ (If Minor)

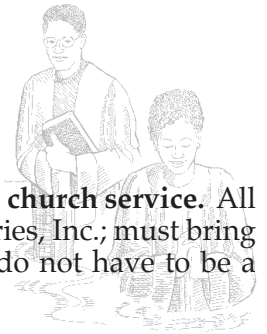
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**B**aptismal services are scheduled every third Sunday in January, April, July and October here at **Green Pastures**; or as directed by the Spirit of God. To sign-up for baptism, please complete this form and return it to **Elder Charlie Walker** no later than Wednesday of each week.

The word **baptize** means to be immersed. Water baptism (immersion) is an outward symbol of an inward reality; a genuine conversion. It says that we are identified with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection. (**Romans 6:4-13**) The believer immersed in water is a sign to the world that he has died, been buried, and resurrected, and is now living for Jesus. In baptism we take a public stand with God and righteousness; against the devil and sin. Baptism is a challenge to the powers of darkness. It says to those powers that we are living for the Lord Jesus. Baptism is an act of faith, calling on the grace of God for strength to overcome. If Jesus needed to be baptized to fulfill all righteousness, we surely need to be also. Let us prayerfully press onto baptism and to an overcoming life.

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## Baptismal Candidate



### BAPTISMAL SERVICE

All candidates for baptism will be seated in the center reserved section, during the **10:45 a.m. church service**. All children being baptized whose parents are not members of Green Pastures Christian Ministries, Inc.; must bring a signed statement signifying approval for baptismal rites to be administered. Children do not have to be a member of Green Pastures to be baptized; and neither do adults.

All candidates will be baptized immediately after Praise and Worship Service during the 10:45 a.m. service. Candidates should already be in the baptismal area when the 10:45 a.m. service begins.

### ATTIRE FOR CANDIDATES

- **Women or Girls:** Swim cap (a small hand towel may be worn under the cap, if you desire) two towels (preferably white or light colored) and a white robe (if you have one).
- **Men or Boys:** White slacks and shirt, white undergarments, white socks, two towels (preferably white or light colored), and a white robe (if you have one).

### BAPTISMAL SCRIPTURES

*"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Matthew 28:19*

*"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Matthew 3:11*

*"Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection." Romans 6:4,5*