**Christ Community Church**

**Child Dedication Application**

Proverbs 22:6 “Train up a child in the way they should go; even when they are old they will not depart from it.”

Christ Community Church is committed to do all in our ability as a church family to raise every child up in the ways of the Lord. Dedicating your child is an important part of this commitment. When you dedicate a child, you are entering into a covenant with God, your church family, and with your child. Christ Community Church takes this dedication very seriously. With this in mind the following guidelines must be adhered to in order to enter into this covenant with you and your child:

1. One of the parents or guardians entering into the covenant of dedication must know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

2. Parent(s) need to be regular attendees of Christ Community Church. This means that the parents make attendance to weekend services and their child’s attendance in Sunday school a priority and attend the majority of the of weekend services throughout the year.

3. Christ Community Church only dedicates children of married couples or single parents. If your child was born out of wedlock in a current relationship or, you are currently cohabitating, Christ Community will ask that the dedication take place after you are married. Christ Community Church defines marriage as between one man and one woman for life.

For single parents who are single (not dating anyone) or in a God honoring relationship with someone other than the biological parent, Christ Community Church will freely enter into the dedication covenant with you.

4. Christ Community Church understands the complexities of life and will make considerations in policy on a case-by-case basis. In all dedications Biblical standards will be adhered to.

5. **Please return the completed application at least 3-4 weeks *prior to your* requested child dedication date.** If you are not members of Christ Community Church, an interview will need to be arranged for a member of our staff and/or pastoral team to hear your testimonies prior to approval of your application.

**Child’s Name** (First, Middle, Last)**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Child’s Date of Birth** (Month/Day/Year) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Father’s Name** (First,Last)**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Mother’s Name** (First,Last) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent(s) Relationship Status:**

Married \_\_\_ Engaged\_\_\_ Dating\_\_\_ Divorced\_\_\_ Single\_\_\_\_

**Parents’ Relationship to Christ Community Church:**

Member \_\_\_ Regular Attendee\_\_\_\_\_ Other *(please plain)*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Requested Date and Time for Dedication Service:**

 **Date: *month/day/year*** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **Service Time: (*circle one)***  Saturday 4:00 Sunday 9:00 Sunday 11:00

**Add’l Notes:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I/We have read and understand all of the above guidelines, and agree to uphold them as a part of the dedication covenant with God, Christ Community Church and as Parent (s)

*Father’s Signature :* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*date*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Mother’s Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*date*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Approved By:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*date*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION 3-4 WEEKS PRIOR TO REQUESTED DEDICATION DATE.**