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## YOUR STORY, HIS GLORY: ANSWER THE CALL TO BAPTISM

**Mark your calendars! Our next Baptism Ceremony is on 13th December 2025 (Sat).**

Have you accepted *Jesus* as your *Lord and Saviour*? If your heart says "yes," then baptism is your joyful and vital next step of

obedience. This isn't about having a perfect faith; it's about publicly declaring your trust in a perfect Saviour and stepping into the fullness of His promise.

**NEXT WEEK'S SERMON**

07 December 2025

David Fails the Lord

2 Samuel 24:10-25

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## WHY IS BAPTISM SO IMPORTANT? IT'S WHAT JESUS COMMANDED AND WHAT UNLOCKS A DEEPER WALK WITH HIM!

### AN ACT OF OBEDIENCE AND A PUBLIC DECLARATION:

Water baptism is an act of faith and obedience to the commands of Christ. Baptism declares that you are a follower of Jesus Christ. It is a public confession of your faith in, and commitment to, Jesus Christ.

Before He ascended to heaven, Jesus gave us a clear instruction: ***"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19).*** This command links baptism directly to the beautiful promise of God's presence and power in our lives.

In fact, the Apostle Peter directly connected baptism to receiving the greatest gift God has for us: ***"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38).*** Baptism is an act of faith where we publicly identify with Christ, and God faithfully responds by sealing us with His Spirit—our Helper, Guide, and guarantee of eternal life.

### WHAT IS THE MEANING AND SIGNIFICANCE OF BAPTISM?

Baptism is also a beautiful picture of the gospel – a symbol of Christ's burial and resurrection. It symbolizes the wonderful truth that

***"all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death... we were therefore buried with him... in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead... we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:3-4).***

As you rise from the water, you are powerfully declaring, "My old life is buried, and I am raised to new life in Christ—a life empowered by the Spirit!" It is how we publicly "clothe ourselves with Christ" (Galatians 3:27).

### A GLIMPSE OF THE JOY: OUR PAST BAPTISM

The joy of baptism is best seen in the faces of those who have taken this step of faith. Here are some moments of celebration from our last baptism ceremony.

*"A candidate coming up out of the water with a big smile."*

*"Joy and new life! A joyful moment of rising to walk in new life."*

*A group shot of baptism candidates.*

*"Celebrating each life changed by grace—the family of God grows!"*

*A candidate sharing their testimony.*

*"Publicly declaring a personal faith."*



## HEAR FROM YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Don't just take our word for it. Here's what some of your brothers and sisters who were baptised in June experienced:

*"I kept waiting to feel 'ready,' but God showed me that baptism is an act of faith. Taking that step was like the Ethiopian eunuch saying, 'Look, here is water. What can stand in the way?' (Acts 8:36). It was the most freeing moment, and I truly felt a new infilling of the Holy Spirit afterwards."*



*"Being baptised was my public 'I do' to Jesus. It was my way of answering the call to 'be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name' (Acts 22:16). The support from my church family was overwhelming, and it marked a new beginning of being led by the Spirit."*



*"I was nervous, but the moment I came out of the water, I felt a wave of peace—a tangible reminder that I am clean, forgiven, and have received the gift of the Holy Spirit. It was a day I will always cherish."*





## Your Story is Next!

Your journey with Jesus is unique, and your baptism is a beautiful part of that story. It is an obedient response to Christ's command, a powerful symbol of your new life, and a step into the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. It's a day you, your family, and your church family will never forget.

### IS GOD CALLING YOU TO TAKE THIS STEP?

If you have believed in your heart, we invite you to confess with your life through baptism. Don't let hesitation hold you back from this step of obedience and blessing.

## A BRAND-NEW LIFE

It is a symbol of your new life as a Christian. We bury the "old life", and we rise to walk in a "new life". Baptism is like a wedding ring; ***it is the outward symbol of the commitment you made in your heart, a commitment that must be followed through and lived out on a daily basis.*** It's meant to show the world that you love, trust, and have put your hope in Christ.

### WHO SHOULD BE BAPTISED?

Every person who has made the decision to believe in Christ. When Paul writes to the believers in Rome, he assumes that all of them have been baptised (Romans 6). The one requirement for baptism is belief in Christ!



"Those who accepted his message were baptised." **Acts 2:41**

"But when they believed Philip as he preached the good news of the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptised, both men and women." **Acts 8:12**

We believe in baptising children when they are old enough to understand what it means and make a personal declaration of belief.

### **When are we to be baptised?**

Believers in the New Testament were baptised on the same day. As soon as a person decides to believe in Christ, he can be and is encouraged to be baptised.

"Those who accepted his message were baptised." (**Acts 2:41**)

"Then Philip began with that very passage of scripture and told him the good news about Jesus. As they travelled along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. Why shouldn't I be baptised?" And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptised him." (Acts 8:35-39).

At FBC English, a baptism ceremony is organised every 6 months.

Ready to sign up online via Baptism QR:

***Let's celebrate what God will do on December 13th! We can't wait to stand with you as you take this amazing step of faith.***

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# **BAPTISM CEREMONY**

Saturday, 13 December 2025  
2:30pm to 7.00pm



If you are interested to be baptized, please scan the QR code to register.

For more information, contact  
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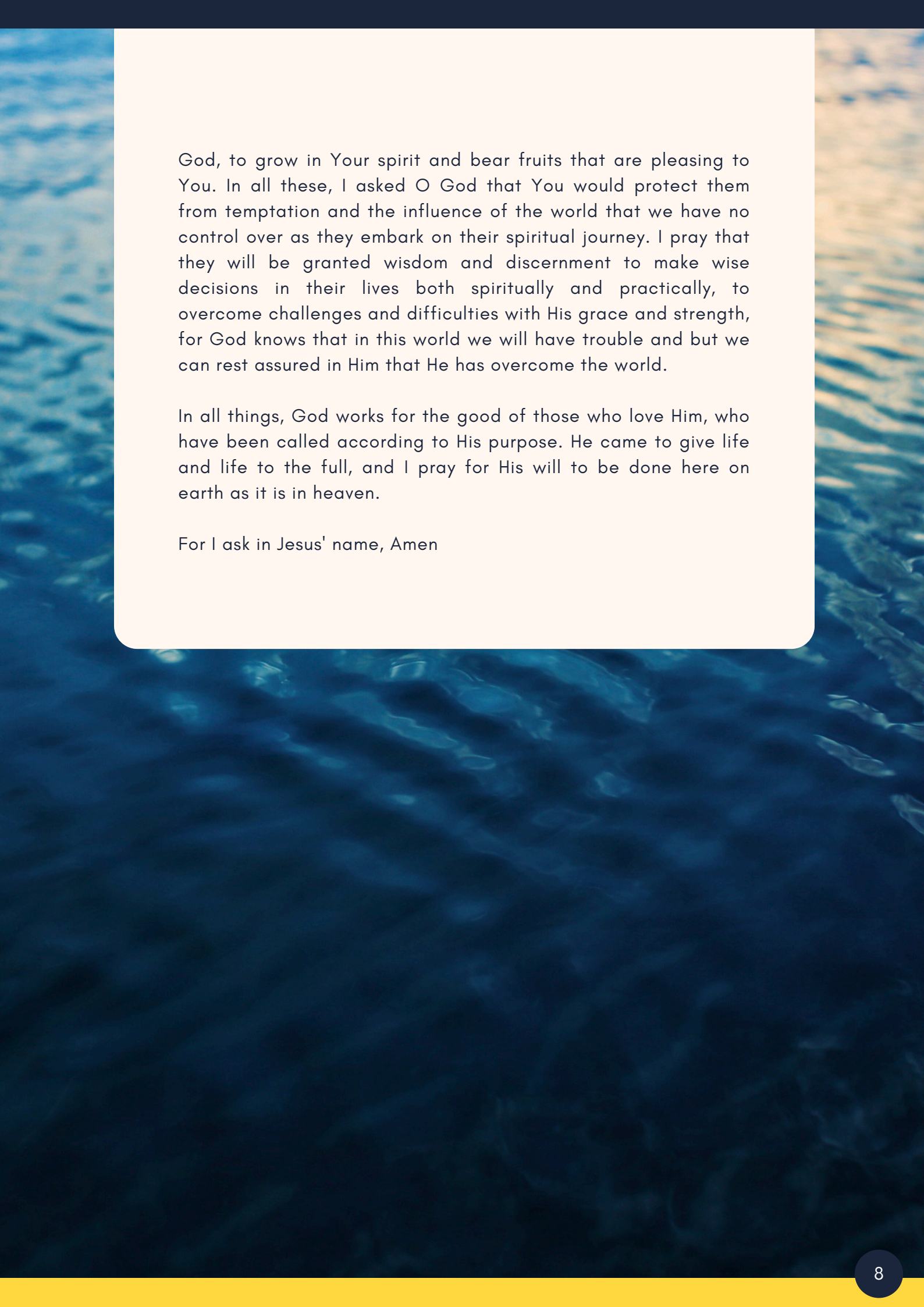
# PRAYER FOR PRE-BELIEVERS AND NEW BELIEVERS

Father God,  
You are a good and gracious King, slow to anger, compassionate, and abounding in love. You have redeemed each one of us and called us by names, for we belong to You.

I pray that You, O God, will look to those who have yet to know You or are ready to accept You. I pray that their hearts will be softened and that they will open their minds whenever they have the chance to hear about You. And I pray, whenever in whatever circumstances that it may be, it will stir their curiosity into finding out more about You. So I ask that You remove all barriers and obstacles that draw them closer to You. Pray for an opening and opportunities to share Jesus, and prepare their hearts to receive the Gospel. Whether it be our friends or family members or our neighbours, people that we know who are far off, or unreached groups – I pray that God's pursuit will prevail and will shine the light of the Gospel into their hearts, revealing Your love and salvation.

I pray for those who accepted You as their Lord and Savior and are new to the faith -- to be filled with the Holy Spirit and to be empowered with gifts and abilities so that they can serve You and Your kingdom. Guide them, O God, one step at a time to live out their Christian faith with baby steps until they are ready for solids. I pray for a supportive Christian community to walk alongside them and to disciple them in the Word of God so that they will not lean unto their own understanding, but in everything submit to Him and to live according to Your will. Help them also,



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God, to grow in Your spirit and bear fruits that are pleasing to You. In all these, I asked O God that You would protect them from temptation and the influence of the world that we have no control over as they embark on their spiritual journey. I pray that they will be granted wisdom and discernment to make wise decisions in their lives both spiritually and practically, to overcome challenges and difficulties with His grace and strength, for God knows that in this world we will have trouble and but we can rest assured in Him that He has overcome the world.

In all things, God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose. He came to give life and life to the full, and I pray for His will to be done here on earth as it is in heaven.

For I ask in Jesus' name, Amen