

Dedication - Child's Name

Date

Hashem Elohei Tzva'os Hashem is His Name (Hos 12:5[6]).

Raise up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Moshiach said, Allow the little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for of such is the Malchut Hashem.

My son, my daughter, seek first the Malchut Hashem, the Kingdom of G-d, and all these other things will be added to you as well.

Remember, bad company corrupts good character.

Honor the L-rd by giving him the first part of all your income, and he will fill your barns with wheat and barley.

Young man, young lady, do not resent it when G-d chastens and corrects you, for He chastens those He loves, as a father chastens the son he delights in.

Parents, do not provoke your children to wrath. Instead, remember, love covers a multitude of sins. But remember also, folly must be driven out of the heart of a child. Spare discipline and spoil the child. Every child desires behavior perimeters. Show them the way that they should take. Pray with them daily. Read the Scriptures to them regularly. Let families who know the L-rd say so. Let the kadoshim continue.

PARENTS BRING THEIR CHILD, CARRIED BY THE PARENT.

INTRODUCTION:

Today we participate in the public dedication of <- First Name -><- Middle -><- Last Name ->, born on <- Date ->. Like Hannah in the Bible, <- Parents' Names -> have expressed their desire to present <- Child's Name -> to the L-rd. This dedication may not require Hannah's sacrifice who left her son Samuel to serve in the Beis Hashem with Eli. However, it is still a great responsibility to bring up a child in the way he should go. Woe to us if we make one of these little ones stumble. May Adonoi Tz'vaos station his angels around us always to accomplish the task of raising up g-dly offspring.

We do today what Moshiach did, taking little Jewish children into His arms, and invoking a barucha on them. Baruch atah Adonoi Eloheinu Melech Haolam ashair kidshanu bmitzvotav, vetzivanu l'hakhniso bivriso shel Avraham Avinu. Blessed/praised art Thou, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, Who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and hast bidden us to make him enter into the covenant of Avraham our father.

CHARGE TO PARENT(S):

A child is legally defined as someone not of age, under adult supervision, with a primary care-giver in the home responsible for training and oversight until the individual comes of age and is morally responsible for his or her own actions.

The Scriptures say,

- "BRING THEM UP IN THE NURTURE AND ADMONITION OF THE L-RD."**
- "THESE COMMANDMENTS THAT I GIVE YOU TODAY ARE TO BE UPON YOUR HEARTS. IMPRESS THEM ON YOUR CHILDREN. TALK ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU SIT AT HOME AND WHEN YOU WALK ALONG THE ROAD, WHEN YOU LIE DOWN AND WHEN YOU GET UP."**

Charge to parent(s) <- Parent(s)' Names ->, do you understand the need that exists for you to pray frequently for any child under your roof, especially the one you are dedicating today in the Beis Hashem, to pray for wisdom and discernment, for love and also tough love that is willing to apply discipline and Scriptural admonition, so that this child will grow up straight and acceptable before the L-rd, as it says, "From childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures which are able to make you wise unto salvation." Do you understand and agree to this charge? Do you promise to keep your home cleansed of ung-dly influences coming from the television, the internet, or peer groups including young people who might be a bad moral influence on your children?

As your child grows and matures, do you promise to try to spend sufficient time with your child in the Holy Scriptures, reading the Bible to him and teaching him the way of the L-rd, insisting that he or she regularly attends a House of Worship where the Bible is believed and faithfully taught?

CHARGE TO THE EXTENDED FAMILY:

<- Child's Name -> is fortunate to have an extended family that will make g-dly input into the child's moral formation and help the parents in opening the Word of G-d to him and praying for him. Please receive this charge.

Do you promise to provide a supportive extended family, to be faithful in prayer, and to assist in any way possible the upbuilding of g-dly offspring, as the Bible declares?

CHARGE TO MOSHIACH'S KEHILLAH:

At this time the members of the Kehillah should receive a charge as well, to provide and support the place of worship so that the little ones can come in and find spiritual shelter and nurture, an atmosphere of worship and sound instruction, which is our responsibility. Amen?

And now, <- Parents' Names ->, in the sight of Hashem and in the presence of these witnesses,

- Do you solemnly undertake to bring up <- Child's Name -> in the fear and admonition of the L-rd?**
- Do you promise early to seek to lead him to know Yeshua HaMoshiach as Goel Redeemer, Moshieynu, Adoneinu, and Savior?**
- Do you pledge to make your home a "school" for Messianic instruction?**
- Do you promise, as far as in you lies, to set before your son/daughter an example of the derech hakodesh, the holy way of living?**

WOULD THE PARENT LIKE TO PRAY AT THIS TIME FOR THIS CHILD?

THE LEADER OF THE KEHILLAH RECEIVES THE CHILD FROM THE PARENT.

And now, on the authority of the Kitvei Hakodesh of Hashem, and as one of the Zekenim of Moshiach's Kehillah, I dedicate you, <- Child's Name ->, unto Adonoi Tz'vaos, and unto His service, according to His will. May we all pray.

Adoneinu and Malkeinu, we dedicate this child like little Samuel was dedicated and we pray that this child will be a light to many, a light in a dark place, shining forth the glory of the L-rd by a g-dly example and fervent faith. Use him/her greatly is our prayer. Omein.

CLOSING COMMENT:

In that you have dedicated your son to Hashem, we now lend <- Child's Name -> back to you, <- Parents' Names ->, that by the chesed Hashem and the guiding presence of the Ruach Hakodesh, you will bring him up in the darkhei Hashem.