



Parent/Child Dedication

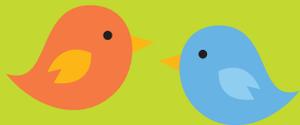


# Congratulations!



We are so glad you are interested in participating with us in our Parent/Child Dedication. We hope this dedication will be a memorable occasion for you, your family and your friends.

The first thing we need is an email letting us know you're interested in participating. You can send it to **[PCD@newhope.org](mailto:PCD@newhope.org)**. Next, please complete the following steps to prepare for our Parent/Child Dedication.



# The Steps

**Step 1: Listen to the parenting talks provided and complete the homework.** This is an important first step in the process, because we want to inspire you to invest in the things that will matter the most to your child's future. We want to help you get off to a great start as you parent your child.

**Step 2: Register for the event online at [bit.ly/pcdspring2018](http://bit.ly/pcdspring2018).** It's important that you sign up for the event so we can properly prepare for a fantastic celebration. After you register, you will receive an email with pertinent details concerning the event itself – when to be there, what to where, etc.

**Step 3: Let's celebrate!** The last step in the process is to attend our Parent/Child Dedication event. We are planning a meaningful and memorable celebration for you, your family, and your friends. You will be the greatest influence in your child's life. As your church, we want to be your biggest fan and trusted guide. We look forward to celebrating this special day with you.

# Parenting Talks

**Please listen to the Parenting Talks provided on the CD and then do a little homework on the following pages. Nothing too tough, we promise!**

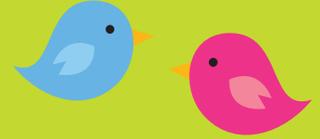
**Parenting Talk #1** describes the importance of praying for your kids and thinking through the person you hope they become.

**Parenting Talk #2** discusses the importance of taking care of your relationships with others and with God.

**Parenting Talk #3** describes the importance of partnering up with other parents and the church as your parent your child.



# Homework



## Parenting Talk #1

- Pray with your spouse about the day your child accepts Christ.
- Pray for God to help you be a good role model and example for your children to follow.
- Describe the kind of person you hope your child will become as an adult:



## **Parenting Talk #2**

### **Relationships with Others:**

- Write a list of adults who support and encourage you and hold you accountable.
  
- Write down two things you can intentionally do to develop those relationships and keep them strong.

### **Relationship with God:**

- Decide to do two things to help you grow in your relationship with God that are obtainable and beneficial. Write them here along with a plan to carry them out.

## Parenting Talk #3

- Consistency matters. Think through when is the best time for you to attend church, and make a commitment together to make every effort to attend that service as often as possible.
- When are some times during the day that you think your child would be most open to talking about spiritual things. No one wants to learn when they are tired, grumpy or forced. Make sure your time is fun, appropriate, natural and relevant. Then set an action plan to make it happen.
- RSVP to attend an orientation meeting for the Parent/Child Dedication.



**Our responsibility is so clear...**

*Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your child. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.*

Deuteronomy 6:5-7

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# Parenting Talks CD



We would like to give  
a big “THANK YOU” to  
our friends at Orange for  
resourcing churches with  
this material and allowing  
us to adapt it.

