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FAMILY  FAITH™  
CELEBRATIONS

# Baby Blessing

Marking the milestone when  
parents present their baby to God



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## Group resources actually work!

This Group resource incorporates our R.E.A.L. approach to ministry. It reinforces a growing friendship with Jesus, encourages long-term learning, and results in life transformation, because it's



### **Relational**

Learner-to-learner interaction enhances learning and builds Christian friendships.

### **Experiential**

What learners experience through discussion and action sticks with them up to 9 times longer than what they simply hear or read.

### **Applicable**

The aim of Christian education is to equip learners to be both hearers and doers of God's Word.

### **Learner-based**

Learners understand and retain more when the learning process takes into consideration how they learn best.



### **Family Faith Celebrations™: Baby Blessing**

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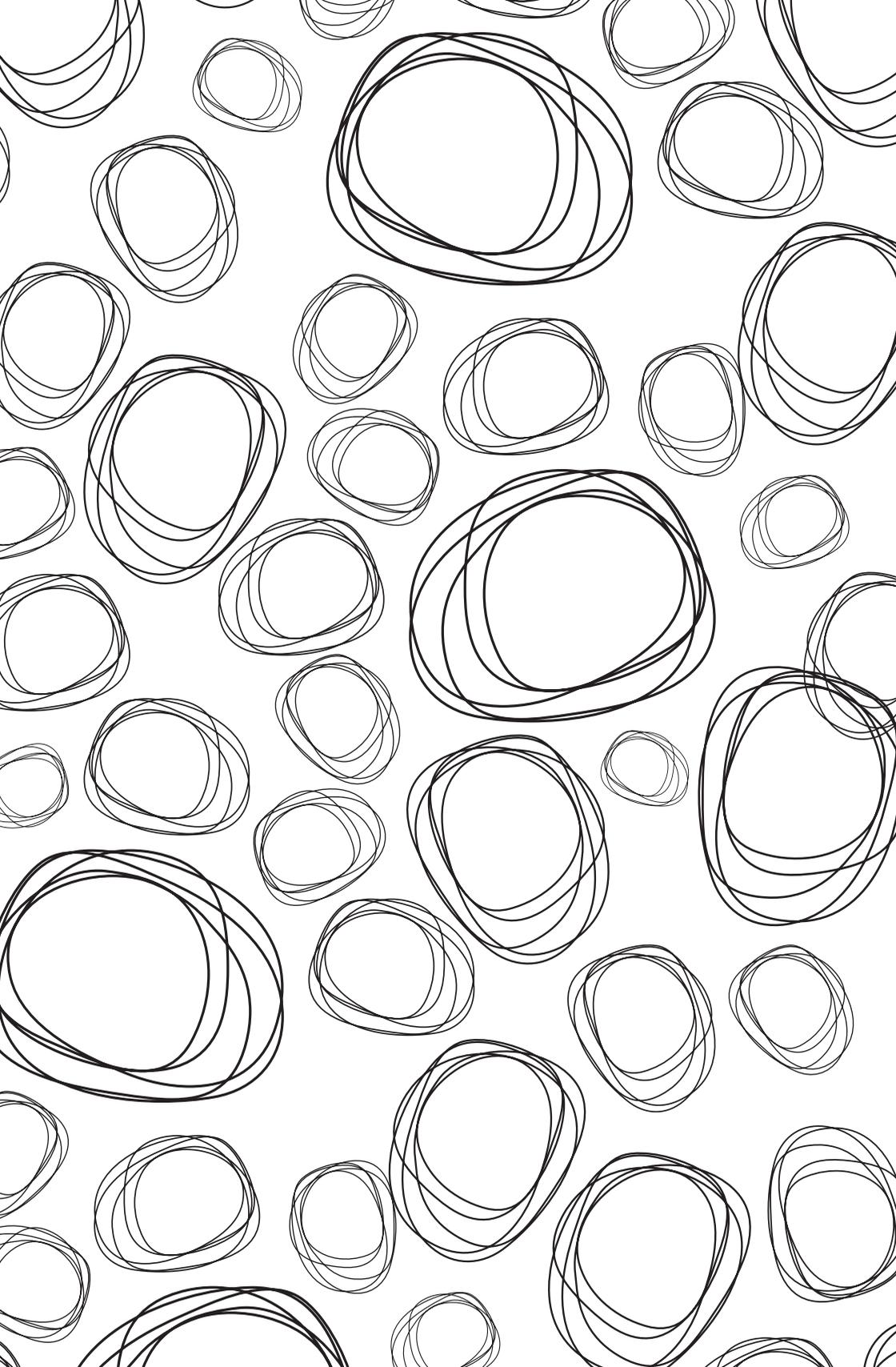
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# Welcome to Family Faith Celebrations

The key to successfully ministering to families from birth through high school is to have a sustainable plan. Something that says to families “we’re committed to you for the long haul.” Beyond the passing fad in ministry at the time. Beyond staff who may come and go. Beyond the latest family ministry flavor of the month. Family Faith Celebrations are more than all that.

## **Family Faith Celebrations are natural.**

Successfully partnering with families in the spiritual nurture of their families isn’t a program. It doesn’t require hiring new staff to run it. And it’s not something that requires a paradigm overhaul or an unwieldy reorganization of your entire church staff. Family Faith Celebrations are natural for your church because you already naturally celebrate the faith milestones that matter most to families—from baby blessing through high school graduation. And it’s natural for families. They’re eager to mark the moments that their children take these important faith steps with your church.

## **Family Faith Celebrations are effective.**

Family Faith Celebrations give you key times in a family’s life to significantly speak into their family’s spiritual development. We recommend doing all of these milestone celebrations over a child’s life. But even if you don’t do all of them, that’s OK. You can begin with Baby Blessing or with Commitment to Purity or anywhere. It

doesn't matter. And even if you do just one or two milestones, you've exponentially multiplied your impact and influence in the lives of families. That's worth your investment!

### **Family Faith Celebrations are inviting.**

You no longer have to lament the fact that parents won't attend training. With Family Faith Celebrations, parents and their children show up! Why? Because they're highly motivated to meet your church's requirements so their child can participate in the All-Church Celebrations. It's a winning situation. And as families attend Family Time Together, they discover how fun, engaging, and meaningful the 90-minute session is. They'll be back for the next one!

### **Family Faith Celebrations are sustainable.**

This isn't about the latest book or expert who has the solution to family ministry. Family Faith Celebrations are about adopting a biblical strategy that can be maintained regardless of staff or curriculum changes. Because this is natural and inviting to your church and families, you'll sustain a lifelong ministry to families.

You've made a great choice to celebrate the faith moments that matter most with Family Faith Celebrations. God bless you as you walk this important path with the families God has entrusted to you.