#### Making the "My Baptism" Book

Baptism is a special ceremony of the church. This book can help children learn about baptism while making a book that includes details about their own baptism.

#### Instructions:

**Cover** Make a picture or glue a photograph of the child on the day of his baptism (with his parents or the minister).

"Water" Page Cut a piece of metallic silver paper (such as aluminum foil) in the outline of a baptismal bowl and glue it to the bottom half of the page.

"Sign of the Cross" Page Draw a cross on the page.

**Last Page** This page is for parents to write anything special (or extra) about the child's baptism.

**Note**: To make it possible for the children to write the missing words with colored markers, we have left large spaces.

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### MY BAPTISM

#### I was born on

(date)	
My parents took me to be baptiz	ed on
(date)	
I was	old.

I was baptized at				
(place)				
The minister who bapti	zed me was			
(name)				
I wore				

At my baptism, my parents carried me up to the front of the church. The minister reminded them that bringing me to be baptized was making a promise to the Lord.

My parents promised to help me keep the commandments of God until I am grown up and can keep them for myself. They promised to teach me the Lord's prayer.

My parents gave me to the minister to hold. He asked my parents what name they had given me.

They said:

(my name)

The minister said my name, and then he said, "I baptize you into the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen."

## Then the minister took water from a bowl. The water symbolizes

(truth)

He made the sign of the cross on my forehead and on my chest.

This was to show that I must fight against evils during my life. The truth helps us get rid of evils just as water washes us clean.

If I learn the truth and fight against evils, someday I will go to heaven and be an angel there.

The minister put his hands on my head and said a blessing just for me. He said:

"The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine
upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance
upon you, and give you peace."

# Here is what my parents want to say about my baptism: