

What Do Church Members Do?



A church member is baptized

Baptism is an outward expression of what has already happened in your heart when you accepted Jesus as Savior.

Baptism shows the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus

It also shows that you have turned from your sin and want to live your life as a follower of Christ

A church member takes the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper helps us remember that Jesus gave his life to save us. Eating the bread reminds us that he gave his body. Drinking the grape juice reminds us that he shed his blood for us.

Talk with your child after he participates in the Lord's Supper to make sure he understands what it means.

Use the **The Church Has Two Ordinances That We Celebrate** sheet to discuss with your child the meaning of baptism and the Lord's Supper.

A church member attends church regularly

Complete the **Learning about Worship** sheet

A church member grows in his knowledge of Christ

Complete the **How to Study the Bible** sheet.

A church member votes on church matters

When important votes come up this year, discuss them with your child and supervise their voting.

A church member serves God through his church

Encourage your child to find a way to serve in the church. It can be as simple as picking up trash in the worship center after a Sunday morning service, holding doors open for people, or something else that fits his personality.

Complete the **Learning about Missions** sheet.

A church member gives to support the church budget and to special offerings

Hopefully your child is giving regularly through the church budget (grade 1). Encourage your child to also give some to special offerings such as North American Missions or International Missions, World Hunger, etc.

Complete the **Learning to Give** sheet

To learn more about what Southern Baptist believe, complete the **What Baptists Believe** sheet.

Use the **What Does Church Membership Mean** sheet as a guide to discuss the meaning of church membership with your child.