



Dear Parent / Guardian and Student,

We are so excited about what God is doing in our school, and especially in the spiritual life of our students. Since our Spiritual Emphasis Week, held at the beginning of the school year, we have witnessed significant spiritual growth resulting in salvation decisions and re-dedications. According to Scripture, the next step for these students is to be obedient to the Lord's command and be baptized. Therefore, this letter is to inform you that Liberty Christian Academy has requested that Thomas Road Baptist Church host a Baptismal Service on Thursday, March 1, 2018, at 10 am. This does NOT imply you are baptizing "with" the church, but that the church is hosting a baptism service for you. All are welcome to attend!

For the Christian, water baptism is a step of obedience and is indicative of a desire to please Him. Living a life of obedience will continue to pave the way for even greater blessings and advancements in the Grace and knowledge of the Lord. Water baptism is a vital part of the Christian life and is a public declaration of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. It is also a symbol of the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord and declares to the world that you have "died to sin", yet have risen to new life in Christ. *Colossians 2:11- 12 says, "In him.....having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead."*

We also believe that water baptism is one of the two biblical ordinances left on record for the local church. With that being said, we want to inform you that this Baptismal Service will be under the authority of Thomas Road Baptist Church and Pastor Jonathan Falwell. However, this does not mean that your child will automatically become or have to become a member of Thomas Road Baptist Church in the future. A video of the baptism service will be posted online for your family and friends to view, and a file of the video will be made available for your church to upload if they desire to do so.

Pastor Louis "P.J." Preston, our Campus Pastor, along with Pastors from TRBC, will be conducting these baptisms. **A student may also request that their local Pastor come to this ceremony and baptize them.** Students will need to bring a dark t-shirt, shorts, and a towel for the baptism. We are requesting that you or a family representative attend this service. If you seek baptism, we humbly ask that your parent or guardian sign the bottom of this letter and return it to Pastor Preston by Monday, February 26, 2018. We will have a short reception in Pate Chapel following the Baptismal Service provided by the LCA WAY Moms. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Pastor Preston by email at laprestonjr@liberty.edu or by phone at 434.579.2049.

Go Bulldogs,

John Patterson, Superintendent, Liberty Christian Academy

Student Name (print) _____

Parent Signature _____

Phone Number _____

Church Affiliation _____

Pastor's Name _____

T-shirt size _____

Date of Salvation _____

Of the people listed below, circle the name of the person you would like to baptize you:

Pastor Jonathan Falwell
Pastor Jeremy Rader

Pastor Jeremy Maynard
Pastor P.J. Preston

Your Pastor: _____