# Does your child want to be baptized? © MOS

If your child has chosen to follow Jesus, we want to help you determine if they're ready to show their faith through baptism. These questions are a guide you can use as you talk with your child.

# Why do we have to follow Jesus before we can get baptized?

Baptism shows we follow Jesus. If you haven't chosen Jesus as your leader and number one friend, it's not time for baptism yet.

### What is baptism?

Baptism shows everyone we made a decision on the inside to follow Jesus. (Acts 8:12)

# Why do people who follow Jesus get baptized?

Jesus chose to be baptized. Jesus tells us to be baptized to show we follow Him. (Matthew 3:16-17, Matthew 28:18-20)

### Why do we go under water when we're baptized?

Going under the water and coming up again shows we believe Jesus died and came back to life three days later. Our old self that followed sin is dead. Now we are living a new life following Jesus. (Romans 6:3-5)

### If baptism shows our old sinful life is dead, why do people still sin after they get baptized?

We should live in a way that doesn't choose sin. But, since we still live in human bodies, we struggle with sin even when our hearts and minds want to live God's way. (Romans 6:1-2, Romans 7:21-23)

## When you sin, do you need to get baptized again?

No. Tell Jesus what you did, ask Him to forgive you, and He will. (John 10:27-29, 1 John 1:9)

If your child has chosen to follow Jesus and understands what baptism is about, sign them up for baptism in the Orange Room, on the app or at generation church.me/next-steps.