DEDICATION OF CHILD AND PARENTS

Memorial Baptist Church Buies Creek, North Carolina June 18, 2023 Ten O'clock

Isla Blake Brown daughter of Erin and Brandon Brown and sister of Ezra Brown

PRESENTATION OF THE CHILD

Mr. Beddingfield

Scripture: Matthew 19: 13

Jesus said, Let the little children come unto me, and do not hinder them; for to such belong the kingdom of heaven.

What name have you given your child? Parents respond.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) Mr. Beddingfield From the By-laws of Memorial Baptist Church

Erin and Brandon, as you present Isla before God and this congregation, we call upon you to join with us as together we profess our faith:

We believe in the Triune God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

We believe that God is the Creator, Preserver, and Ruler of Heaven and Earth.

We believe that Jesus Christ, the Son, was God in flesh revealed, and that he came into the world that the world through him might be saved from sin.

We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God, and that it is the authority and inspiration for the faith and practice of the Christian life, and that every Christian has an individual responsibility to God to discover the meaning of the Scriptures for his or her own life.

We believe that spiritual regeneration must precede baptism, church membership and commemoration of the Lord's Supper.

We believe that God created us in his own image and made of one blood all nations.

We believe that God is faithful and just to forgive all people who confess their sins and profess their faith in Jesus Christ, and that they, regardless of creed or race, become the children of God and Christian brothers and sisters.

We believe, as a local community of Christians, that we are a part of Christ's Church which is universal in scope. Therefore, we believe that we should witness and work for Christ in fellowship with all children of God in an effort to oppose evil and extend the Kingdom of God throughout the world.

We believe that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

CHARGE TO THE PARENTS

Scripture: Ephesians 6: 4

Parents, provoke not your children to anger, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Erin and Brandon, do you receive Isla as the gift of God, do you give joyful and heartfelt thanks for this blessing, and do you dedicate her to the Lord? *We do.*

Do you pledge as parents to teach Isla the words and ways of God, and to raise her in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, until that day when she can affirm a personal faith in Christ and a commitment to the life and work of the Lord? *We do.*

Do you promise to give Isla every benefit of home and education, and to participate actively with her in the community of the church, to learn from and serving with others for Christ's sake, and to remember that we need instruction and example from a church family, as well as from our own? **We do.**

CHARGE TO THE CHURCH

Mrs. Craddock

Scripture: Proverbs 22: 6 Train up your children in the way they should go, and when they are old they will not depart from it.

Members and friends of Memorial Baptist Church, do you affirm and receive Isla into the care of Christ's church; do you accept your calling to love and nurture her in Christ; and do you promise to support and care for her and her family in Christian love, with the presence and resources of this congregation? *We do.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Brittany Montgomery, Ministry Intern

PRESENTATIONS Certificate

Bible

Mr. Beddingfield Mrs. Craddock