

TalkPoints are designed for one-on-one conversations. You are invited to sit at a table or other writing surface across from each other with the booklet open between you.

 When you see the pencil symbol, take time to reflect about what you want to say, and then write a brief response for each item in the space provided.

 When you see the arrows, take turns talking about each topic.

## Preparing for the Event of Baptism

Dear Child, since the day you were given as a gift to us and to our world, I've been thankful to God for \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Your baptism is scheduled for (date) \_\_\_\_\_

(location) \_\_\_\_\_

Some special people who will be involved include \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Your baptism has special meaning to me (us) because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I believe faith in God and participation in the life of the church are important because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Hopes for Your Future

Dear Child, some of my hopes and dreams for you are \_\_\_\_\_

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Personal qualities, character traits, and values that I pray will become increasingly a part of your life include \_\_\_\_\_

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As you participate in the life of the church, I hope you will experience the church as a people and a place where \_\_\_\_\_

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As we both grow in our relationship with God, I want to help you know that God \_\_\_\_\_

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I will try to model faith in God by \_\_\_\_\_

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Years from now, as you look back on what our relationship has been, I hope you will be able to say \_\_\_\_\_

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**Promises** 

Dear Child, because you will know God's love in part by the way I love you, I promise to express my love for you by \_\_\_\_\_

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As you receive the gift of baptism, I want to affirm God's promise to you that you are \_\_\_\_\_

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I promise God, the church, and you that I will help you grow in your faith by \_\_\_\_\_

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Dear Child, this is my baptism prayer for you: "Creator God, \_\_\_\_\_

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