**Jump IN!!!**

**Baptism Preparation Class**

Hi Everyone!

**WHY GET Baptized? I’m GLAD YOU ASKED!** The two ordinances of the New Testament Church are baptism and the Lord’s Supper (or “communion”). An ordinance is a decree or command given by Christ, which is to be carried out by believers!

1. **Because Jesus was baptized and wants us to baptize others.**In [Matthew 3:16](https://www.bible.com/bible/111/MAT.3.16.NIV), we learn about the time when Jesus Himself was baptized before He started His ministry on earth. If the Son of God pursued baptism, so should we. Later, Jesus told us in [Matthew 28:19-20](https://www.bible.com/en-GB/bible/111/MAT.28.19-20.NIV) He wants us to spread His message of love. He told us to continue baptizing and being baptized! Okay, Jesus. We’re happy to obey.
2. **Because you’ve decided to follow Jesus and you want people to know.**Making the decision to become a follower of Christ is the best decision you’ll ever make. When you make a life-changing decision like this, you want to tell everyone about the new hope you’ve found in Jesus! You want to let people know you believe [God is real](https://finds.life.church/1-way-prove-god-real-least-stop-opposite/). Our faith should be personal, but not private. Baptism is about going public with your faith.
3. **Because baptism is a powerful symbol of what Jesus did for us and it is one of the two Ordinances that we**

Candidates for baptism are required to take the Baptism Preparation class at St. Matthew Baptist Church prior to being baptized. So Come On! JUMP IN!!!!!

*All classes are held on Monday evenings from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm and will be interactive and are conducted virtually via Zoom.  Once you register, your instructor will contact you with additional information and a link and/or phone number to login into the Zoom session.*

**Ways To Register**

Go to [www.stmbc.org](http://www.stmbc.org) and click on the “Baptism Class Registration” Link.

Email varnadovirtual@gmail.com to request a registration form.

Call or text Angie at 318-319.9760 to submit information.