

## **BARNABAS CLUB**

### **Pre Encounter Session 1**

#### **The New Birth & Assurance of Salvation**

##### **The day I was born.....**

My birthday is \_\_\_\_\_

I was born in \_\_\_\_\_ (where?)

I weighed about \_\_\_\_\_ kg.

I am the \_\_\_\_\_ in my family.

I enjoy \_\_\_\_\_



##### **The birth of a new baby is exciting!**

Everyone in the family gets excited over a newborn baby. God gets excited over a newborn too. Before we are even born, God already knew us and has a wonderful plan for each of us.

##### **Write down what Ps 139:14 says about us.....**

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God has already planned and created within us our sex, our skin pigmentation, height, weight, temperament, even some habits and desires even before we are born.

Each one of us is born into a natural family. We have parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters.

**Draw and track your natural family tree.**

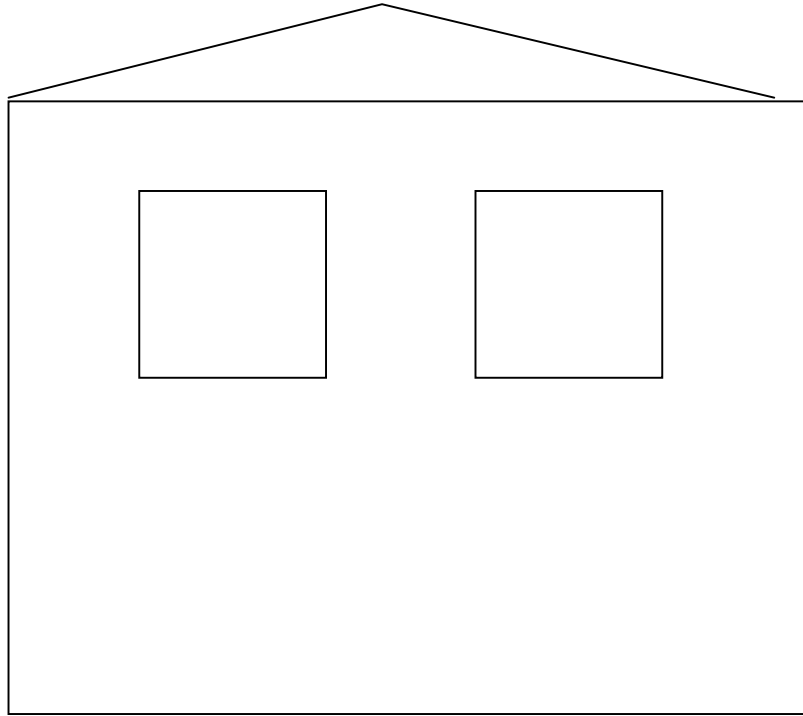


**My Family Tree**

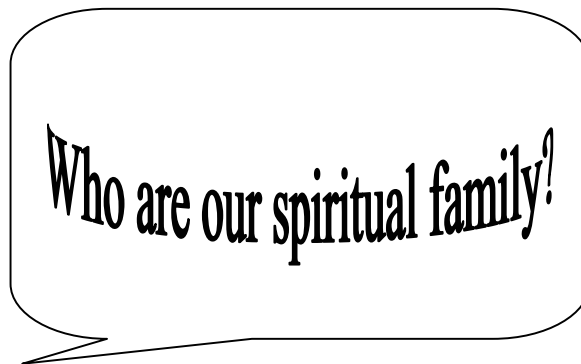
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**Can you think of the benefits of being part of your natural family? Fill in the “benefits” in the house below.**



**Do you know that we also have a spiritual family, besides our natural family?**



**Let's read John 3:1-21.....to find out more.....**

1. Nicodemus was a \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. He came secretly to look for Jesus in the night because he was afraid of \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Jesus told Nicodemus that he must be \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Nicodemus thought that Jesus wanted him to \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Jesus was actually talking about \_\_\_\_\_ .

**How do we experience a spiritual birth?**

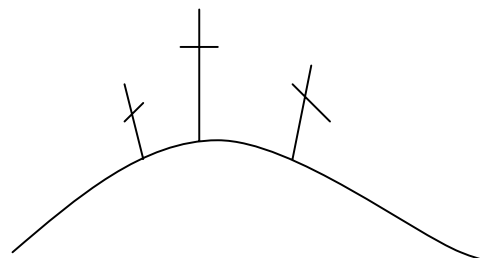
There are three things that we need to do in order to experience a spiritual birth with reference to John 3:15-18.

1. **A** \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus is God.
2. **B** \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus loves us and died for our sins.
3. **C** \_\_\_\_\_ that you are a sinner and needs God's salvation

***We cannot be part of God's family by changing our surnames; by doing good deeds; by being good and kind or even by going to church regularly.***

***The only way to be part of God's family is to recognise that we have sinned and need God. We also need to acknowledge that salvation is a free gift of God. Jesus died for our sins, took the punishment upon Himself and gave us eternal life willingly. We do not deserve it or earn it.***

***The only way to salvation and eternal life is to believe that Jesus is the Son of God, that He loves us and died for us to take away the punishment for our sins (John 3:16).***



## What are the benefits of being part of God's family?

God promised us that when we become part of His family, we will receive the following.

1. **F** \_\_\_\_\_ of our sins (1 John 1:9)
2. **E** \_\_\_\_\_ life (John3:16; Rom 6:23)
3. Free from **J** \_\_\_\_\_ (John 3:18)
4. An **I** \_\_\_\_\_ to those who believe in Jesus (Rom 8:17)
5. Free from Satan's **C** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom 8:2)
6. Moving from **D** \_\_\_\_\_ into light (John3:20-21)
7. Indwelling of the **H** \_\_\_\_\_ **S** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom 8:15-16)
8. The **N** \_\_\_\_\_ nature (2 Cor 5:17)

## Memory Verse .....

***God loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son. Anyone who believes in Him will not die but will have eternal life. God did not send His Son into the world to judge the world. He sent His Son to save the world through Him. - John 3:16-17 (NIV Reader's version)***

Would you accept this Jesus who loved you so much? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have already accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Saviour, share with us how it happened.

### ***My Testimony***

I was \_\_\_\_\_ years old when my \_\_\_\_\_  
told me about Jesus.

This was how it happened...

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I prayed this to accept Jesus into my heart and my life....

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Before I accepted Jesus, I was

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After I accepted Jesus, I was

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I want to grow to be more like Jesus by

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My life is made more meaningful with Jesus because I know that Jesus will help  
me to

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Signed by : \_\_\_\_\_

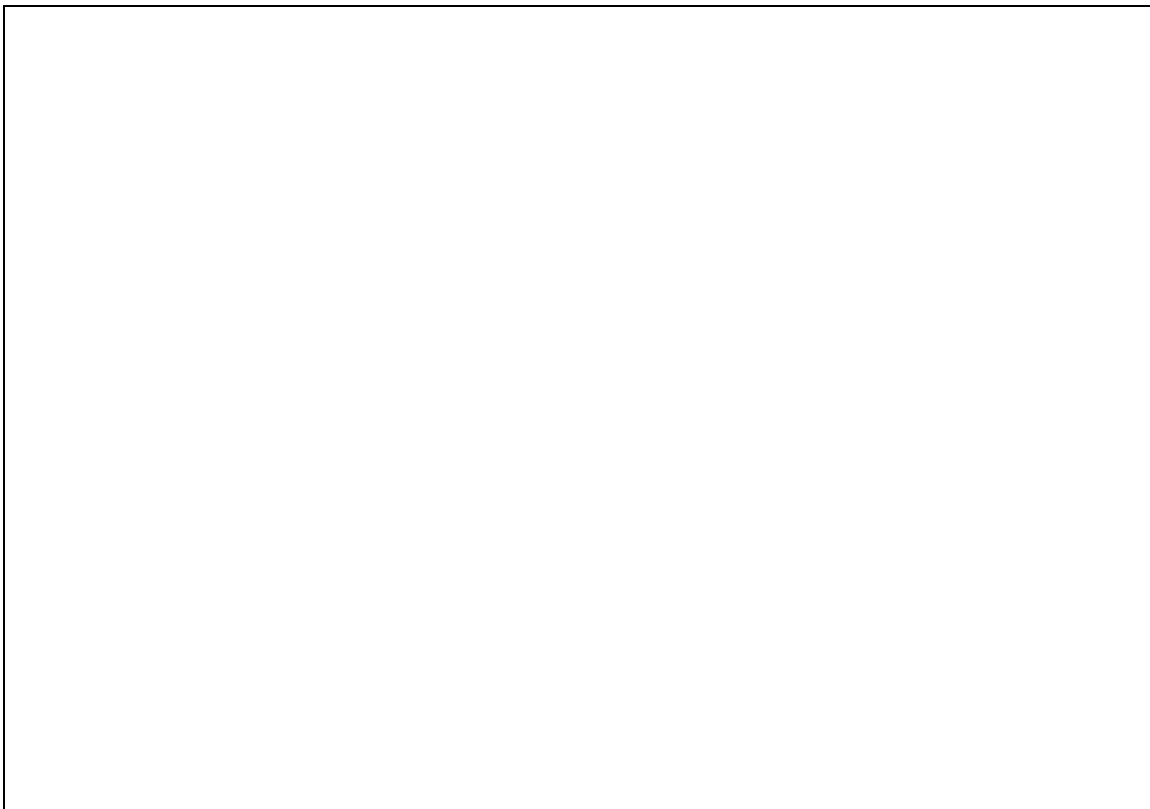
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When we accept Jesus into our lives, we become part of God's spiritual family. God calls us His children and we can call Him our Heavenly Father. We also have a spiritual family. Everyone who accepts Jesus into their lives belong to this spiritual family. They are our spiritual uncles and aunts, our spiritual brothers and sisters.

This spiritual family will grow bigger and bigger as more and more people accept Jesus into their lives. We can do our part by sharing Jesus with our friends who do not yet know Jesus. When they accept Jesus, they can be part of the spiritual family too.

Now draw and track your spiritual family tree.

### **My Spiritual Family**



Male

Female