

*Beginnings*

*In the event that one of the parents is not present at the service of circumcision, this prayer may be offered when the child is taken to her / him.*

We give thanks, O God, Fountain of life, for the gift of our child, who has entered into the Covenant of Abraham. Keep him from harm, and grant that he may be a source of joy to us and all his loved ones. May he have health and length of days. Teach us to rear our child with care and affection, with wisdom and understanding, that he may be a faithful child of our people, and a blessing to the world. Amen.