

# Laying On of Hands

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### Introduction

The Lord's Children Fellowship church has instituted the "laying on of hands" as a rite of the church along with baptism and the Lord's supper.

The laying on of hands is an ordinance, and not a sacrament. There appears to be confusion in the church concerning the ordinance because it was used in the New Testament in a number of miraculous ways.

Today, the laying on of hands is used to "confirm" the full endorsement or approval of the local church.

### Scriptures For the Laying On of Hands

Matthew 8:3

Jesus stretched out His [hand](#) and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

Matthew 8:15

He touched her [hand](#), and the fever left her; and she got up and waited on Him.

Matthew 9:18

While He was saying these things to them, a *synagogue* official came and bowed down before Him, and said, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay Your [hand](#) on her, and she will live."

Matthew 9:25

But when the crowd had been sent out, He entered and took her by the [hand](#), and the girl got up.

**Matthew 19:13-15** (children)

13 Then *some* children were brought to Him so that He might lay His [hands](#) on them

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and pray; and the disciples rebuked them.

14 But Jesus said, "Let the children alone, and do not hinder them from coming to Me; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

15 After laying His hands on them, He departed from there.

Mark 1:31

And He came to her and raised her up, taking her by the hand, and the fever left her, and she waited on them.

Mark 1:41

Moved with compassion, Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, and \*said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed."

### Mark 5:23

and \*implored Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death; *please* come and lay Your hands on her, so that she will get well and live."

Mark 5:41

Taking the child by the hand, He \*said to her, "Talitha kum!" (which translated means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!").

### Mark 6:5

And He could do no miracle there except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them.

Mark 7:32

They \*brought to Him one who was deaf and spoke with difficulty, and they \*implored Him to lay His hand on him.

Mark 8:23

Taking the blind man by the hand, He brought him out of the village; and after spitting on his eyes and laying His hands on him, He asked him, "Do you see anything?"

### Mark 8:25

Then again He laid His hands on his eyes; and he looked intently and was restored, and *began* to see everything clearly.

Mark 9:27

But Jesus took him by the hand and raised him; and he got up.

### Mark 10:16 the children

And He took them in His arms and *began* blessing them, laying His hands on them.

### Mark 16:15-18

15 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

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- 16 "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.
- 17 "These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;
- 18 they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly *poison*, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

### Luke 4:40

While the sun was setting, all those who had any *who were* sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and laying His hands on each one of them, He was healing them.

### Luke 5:13

And He stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately the leprosy left him.

Luke 8:54

He, however, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Child, arise!"

### Luke 13:13

And He laid His hands on her; and immediately she was made erect again and *began* glorifying God.

Luke 24:50

And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.

### Acts 3:7

And seizing him by the right hand, he raised him up; and immediately his feet and his ankles were strengthened.

### Acts 4:30

while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus."

### Acts 5:12

At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were taking place among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's portico.

### Acts 6:6 ordination

And these they brought before the apostles; and after praying, they laid their hands on them.

### Acts 8:14-19

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- 14 Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John,  
15 who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit.  
16 For He had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had simply been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.  
17 Then they *began* laying their hands on them, and they were receiving the Holy Spirit.  
18 Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was bestowed through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money,  
19 saying, "Give this authority to me as well, so that everyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit."

### Acts 9:12

and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him, so that he might regain his sight."

### Acts 9:17

So Ananias departed and entered the house, and after laying his hands on him said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road by which you were coming, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

### Acts 9:41

And he gave her his hand and raised her up; and calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive.

### Acts 13:3

Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

### Acts 14:3

Therefore they spent a long time *there* speaking boldly *with reliance* upon the Lord, who was testifying to the word of His grace, granting that signs and wonders be done by their hands.

### Acts 19:6 (receipt of Holy Spirit)

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they *began* speaking with tongues and prophesying.

### Acts 28:8 (Healing)

And it happened that the father of Publius was lying *in bed* afflicted with *recurrent* fever and dysentery; and Paul went in *to see* him and after he had prayed, he laid his hands on him and healed him.

### 1 Timothy 2:8

Therefore I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and

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dissension.

**1 Timothy 4:14** ordination, receiving gifts of the Holy Spirit

Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you, which was bestowed on you through prophetic utterance with the laying on of hands by the presbytery.

**1 Timothy 5:22** ordination

Do not lay hands upon anyone *too* hastily and thereby share *responsibility for* the sins of others; keep yourself free from sin.

**2 Timothy 1:6** gifts of the Holy Spirit

For this reason I remind you to kindle afresh the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

**Hebrews 6:2**

of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.