

## INVITATION WORDING AND LAYOUT

Traditionally, wedding invitations are printed in black ink, with centered type in a formal font. They are always phrased in the third person. "Request the honour of your presence" is used when the wedding ceremony is held in a house of worship. The English spelling of "honour" is commonly used. For all other locations use "request the pleasure of your company." You can follow the wording samples shown below, or use them as a starting point for your own creation!

### Given by the Bride's Parents

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wesley Thomas  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
Gwendolyn Merritt  
to  
Mr. William Garret Barnes  
Saturday, the fifteenth of May  
Two thousand nine  
at six o'clock  
First Baptist Church  
125 Main Street  
Dallas, Texas*

### Given by Both Parents

*Together with their parents  
Miss Gwendolyn Merritt Thomas  
and  
Mr. William Garret Barnes  
request the honour of your presence  
at their marriage  
Saturday, the fifteenth of May  
Two thousand nine  
at six o'clock  
First Baptist Church  
125 Main Street  
Dallas, Texas*

### Given by the Bride & Groom

*The honour of your presence  
is requested at the marriage of  
Miss Gwendolyn Merritt Thomas  
to  
Mr. William Garret Barnes  
Saturday, the fifteenth of May  
Two thousand nine  
at six o'clock  
First Baptist Church  
125 Main Street  
Dallas, Texas*

### Wedding Announcement

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wesley Thomas  
have the honour of announcing  
the marriage of their daughter  
Gwendolyn Merritt  
to  
Mr. William Garret Barnes  
Saturday, the fifteenth of May  
Two thousand nine  
at six o'clock  
First Baptist Church  
125 Main Street  
Dallas, Texas*

### Response or Reception Card

*The favour of a reply  
is requested before the tenth of April*  
M \_\_\_\_\_  
will \_\_\_\_ attend

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will \_\_\_\_ attend

*Reception  
immediately following ceremony  
Cross Creek Country Club*

*Reception  
at seven o'clock in the evening  
301 West Pine Drive*

TOP MARGIN .5"

LEFT MARGIN .5"

RIGHT MARGIN .5"

CARD 1  
TEXT BOX SIZE: 3.75"x 2.375"

BOTTOM MARGIN .5"

RESPONSE CARD TEST SHEET  
RESPONSE CARD SHEET SIZE: 4.75" X 6.75"

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Use this sheet to test print your response cards.  
For multiple tests, make copies of this sheet before use.

TOP MARGIN .5"

LEFT MARGIN .5"

RIGHT MARGIN .5"

CARD 2  
TEXT BOX SIZE: 3.75"x 2.375

BOTTOM MARGIN .5"