

Birth Blessing

SHAMAN: "May the spirits of our ancestors come to this place and witness the spiritual blessing of this new life among us."

Turning palms to the sky, rotating wrists, open palms pointing around the area.

SHAMAN: "Ancestors, I feel your presence. I know that you are with us."

SHAMAN: "Will the mother and father bring forward the child?"

MOTHER/FATHER: Brings the child. "The child _name_ is here."

SHAMAN: "You have brought the child _name_ before me, beneath the gaze of the gods, and before the gaze of our ancestors for a blessing. The value of this blessing is bestowed upon your child from my ability to channel the desires of the gods, through you to the child. So must we be a part of this blessing together. Be silent now your vision, listen instead with our hearts and not our ears."

Mother and father and other guests' close eyes and listen carefully with their hearts.

SHAMAN: "Óðinn cast your gaze upon this child, _name_. Freyja witness this newly born life. Always be with them as they journey through this life."

Shaman rubs hands together to conjure the spiritual energy.

Shaman holds hands over child's crown chakra.

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of opening book over child's crown chakra.

Shaman makes hand gesture of placing the "Tiwaz" symbol and closing book.

SHAMAN: "May this child know the true power of life."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of opening book over child's third eye chakra.

Shaman makes hand gesture of placing the "Raidho" symbol and closing book.

SHAMAN: "May this child hold the lessons of life in their mind."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of opening book over child's throat chakra.

Shaman makes hand gesture of placing the "Sowilo" symbol and closing book.

SHAMAN: "May this child only speak with honor and integrity."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of opening book over child's heart chakra.

Shaman makes hand gesture of placing the "Laguz" symbol and closing book.

SHAMAN: "May this child experience and embrace a heart of love."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of opening book over child's solar plexus chakra.

Shaman makes hand gesture of placing the "Dagaz" symbol and closing book.

SHAMAN: "May this child have health and happiness all of their days."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

SHAMAN: "Óðinn hear our call. Freyja join us in gifting a life filled with joy and love."

SHAMAN: "Hoommmmmme."

Shaman makes hand gesture of closing book over child's crown chakra.

Shaman holds hand over crown chakra.

SHAMAN: "Peace and love be with you on your journey little one, _name_. Know in your heart that the ancestors have heard of you and will now be with you along your path. Seek their wisdom, seek their guidance."

Shaman brings hands to stretched out pose with palms facing up.

SHAMAN: "Hail Óðinn, hail Freyja."

SHAMAN: "Let us return to the world of humans, and gaze upon the wonder of _name_."

All attendees open their eyes, and congratulate (if appropriate)