

## Good Work (Colossians 1:10)

This prayer guide is part of our 40 Hours of Prayer and Worship. You are welcome to follow this guide or simply use it as a starting point and let the Spirit lead your time.

As God calls us into community together, He also calls us to be faithful in the spiritual practices of prayer and worship. During this time, we invite you to pray for God's good work at New Life Church, giving thanks for the work that has already been done, lifting up the work happening now, and entrusting the work that lies ahead to Him. May this be a time of listening, gratitude, and renewed trust in the God who is always at work among us.

### Read/Reflect (5-10 minutes)

1. As you pray, center this time around praying to the Lord. Set a timer for 5 minutes: sit in silence, calm your mind, and focus on this time of prayer.
2. Read Colossians 1:1-14 and specifically verse 10 two or three times.
3. How is God speaking to you about the theme of good work?

### Prayer based on the passage (20 minutes)

- "... because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people..." (vs.4)
  - Pray for people at New Life you know who have come to faith by God's grace.
  - Pray for people at New Life who have influenced or helped your faith to grow.
  - Give thanks to God for the hope "stored up in heaven" (vs.5) that spurs you to faith and love
- "... asking God to give you wise minds and spirits attuned to His will ..." (vs.9)
  - Pray that the Spirit will fill New Life with His presence so that the church shines!
  - Pray that our "good work" will follow from God's "good work" in us.
- "... bearing fruit in every good work ..." (vs.10)
  - Pray for growth in knowing God more deeply.
  - Pray for strength and endurance to live faithfully in God.
  - Pray that New Life Church will be a bold presence of love and hope.
- "... giving joyful thanks to the Father ..." (vs.12)
  - Rejoice for all the things God has done!

### Closing Prayer (5 minutes)

- Let this simple prayer help begin your closing prayer: God fill us with wisdom and strength to continue in the good work you have called us to.....