Good Work (Philippians 1:6)

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. 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 minutes)

1. As you pray, take time to 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 Philippians 1:1-11 and specifically verse 6 two or three times.

Prayer based on the passage (20 minutes)

- **Remember God's Promise**
  - Slowly pray Philippians 1:6 back to God: "You began this good work… You will carry it on… You will bring it to completion in Christ."
  - Name the "good work" God has already begun in you (character, healing, calling, habits, relationships) and tell God honestly where the work feels unfinished—and ask for renewed hope and patience.
- **Surrender the Unfinished Work**
  - Ask: "Lord, what are you forming in me right now?" Sit quietly for a minute, then write down what comes to mind.
  - Offer God your whole self: your time, gifts, limits, wounds, and desires. Pray: "Complete your work in me—your way, in your time."
  - Listen again in silence for 2–3 minutes. If a next step comes to mind, keep it simple (one act of obedience, one conversation, one habit, one prayer).
- **Pray for Good Work in Our Church**
  - Thank God that He is at work in our church family—saving, healing, teaching, sending, and sustaining.
  - Pray for leaders and ministry teams: clarity of vision, humility, courage, unity, and Spirit-empowered love.

Closing Prayer (5 minutes)

Let this simple prayer help begin your closing prayer: Father, thank you that the good work is yours—begun by your grace, sustained by your Spirit, and completed in Jesus Christ. Finish what you have started in me and in our church, for your glory and our joy.