

## Week 4: The Decision to Serve

1. **For our apostle and prophet:** We ask that you strengthen them and guide them in every step and may their service always be for your glory.

Mark 10:45 (NIV) "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

2. By the Spirit of service: May each member of the church find joy in serving others.

Galatians 5:13 (NIV) It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

3. **For the ministries:** May all the service ministries of our church prosper and more people get involved.

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV) "Each one puts the gift he has received at the service of others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."

4. **For volunteers:** May God bless and strengthen all who serve voluntarily in the church.

1 Corinthians 15:58 (NIV) "Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm.

Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord,

because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

5. **For each person's prayer petitions:** May God hear and respond to each need.

Philippians 4:6 (NIV) "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

For the desire to get involved in a CG: May God put the will and desire in each of the members of the church to open their homes, sign up as leaders or join a Connection Group.

Philippians 2:13 (NLT) "For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him."