



## Week 8: The Decision to Follow Christ

1. **For our Apostle and Prophet:** May they be strengthened and blessed in their commitment to follow Christ.

***John 15:16 (NIV)*** *You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.*

2. **For the commitment of the congregation:** May each member of the church decide to follow Christ with all their heart.

***Matthew 16:24 (NIV)*** *"Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."*

3. **For the impact of our Decision:** May our decision to follow Christ cause a transformation in our life and therefore in our family and community.

***Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV)*** *"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven"*

4. **For spiritual growth:** May we continue to grow spiritually and in our commitment to Christ.

***Ephesians 4:15 (NIV)*** *"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ."*

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*

6. **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."