Knowing the Importance of Prayer in God's Eternal Work... building up St. Mark Church through prayer during 2025

"When you call on me, when you come and pray to me, I'll listen. Jeremiah 29:12

Join in Fellowship to ask God's blessing for St. Mark Church to:

- continue be a House of Prayer and
 - faithfully engaging in the Great Commission.

<u>First</u> note for a believing church to be engaged in God's eternal work of salvation, restoration, and building up the body of Christ, there are three requirements of the congregation.

- Realizing God's work through St. Mark Church can only be achieved, if we seek to be energized by the Holy Spirit.
- Praying with prayers of faith to engage God's heart by seeking the Holy Spirit's guidance and giving glory to God for the answered prayers.
- Understanding God's ordained accomplishments for St. Mark Church will be attained, when we as a congregation *depend* on the Holy Spirit and each member *willingly exercise* their Spirit's gifts. ¹

So we:

- repent of our sins, individual and corporate (St. Mark Church); Matthew 4:17
- ask the Holy Spirit for revival within St. Mark Church by; Mark 16:15-20
 - o the preaching at St. Mark church;
 - o conversions by the power of Holy Spirit at St. Mark;
- ask the Holy Spirit for St. Mark Church to continue reformation for all believers: Matthew 28:18-20
 - o practical training and teaching for our soul forming Christian journey,
 - o transformation of St. Mark minds shifting from a temporal to an eternal perspective;
 - o making disciples.
- ask the Holy Spirit for St. Mark to be a church of **restoration** 1 Corinthians 13:11
 - o nurturing future pastors to live and teach the Gospel,
 - asking the Holy Spirit to embolden each of our St. Mark family to develop new relationships within their own neighborhoods, schools, work;
 - o sharing personal stories of the Christian life at St. Mark;
 - serving community needs through St. Mark based services.
- conclude with prayers of praise and thanksgiving to the Trinity.

¹Tozer, A.W., Compiled by W. L. Seaver, <u>Communing with God in Everything</u>, <u>Prayer</u>, Moody Press, 2016, pp. 53-55.