The Founding Charism of City of the Lord: "Receptivity and Commitment to the Person and Culture of the Holy Spirit, particularly in Covenant Love"

City of the Lord – Community Prayer

Merciful God and Father,

I come into your presence as a member of City of the Lord. I thank you for calling us together under the lordship of Jesus Christ to be a sign in the world of that City whose builder and maker is God.

I pray for a fresh outpouring of your Holy Spirit on City of the Lord this day--that through the power of the Holy Spirit we will grow in gratitude and love for you and for each other; in faithfulness to our Covenant; in generosity of prayer and service; and in zeal for the apostolic mission of evangelization.

I ask you to bless City of the Lord in all its locations, and to safeguard the unity of the body. May your mercy and protection be upon each of my brothers and sisters today, especially those for whom I now pray:

- ...for families and marriages; engaged couples, singles, single parents, and widowed;
- ... for all our children, teenagers, and students;
- ...for couples who wish to conceive, and for pregnant women and their children in the womb;
- ...for those who are sick or suffering, especially with long-term illness;
- ...for the Branch Leaders, members of the Council, their families and households;
- ... for all pastoral leaders, heads of ministries and outreaches;
- ...for our priests and religious, those living a life consecrated to the Lord, and our brothers and sisters pursuing vocations in the Church;
- ...for those serving on mission or away from the body;
- ...for those undergoing temptation, doubt, or confusion;
- ...for our faithful departed and the next member who will die;
- ...and for the member of City of the Lord most in need of your mercy and our prayers this day.

Through Jesus, who is our Lord. Amen. [Jan 2016]