

## **St. Hilary Queen of Peace Charismatic Prayer Group Mission & Format Guidelines**

**Mission:** We, the St. Hilary Queen of Peace Prayer Group, exist for the praise and glory of God. We meet weekly to praise God, our Father, in song and word and to LISTEN to what Jesus, our Teacher, has to say to us. Through prayer and praise, we hope to become more and more transformed to the image and likeness of Jesus through the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit.

**Purpose:** The purpose of our meetings is to dwell in God's presence, tell how much we love Him through song and praise. Most importantly, we strive to LISTEN to what Jesus has to say to us individually and collectively. Primarily, we LISTEN to what Jesus has to say through prophecy, scripture, visions with interpretation and/or an interpreted tongue. Through our gathering, we are able to become recharged, revived and restored in the presence of the Lord. God alone is our source of faith, hope and love. When we dwell in His presence, the Holy Spirit instills all of the gifts and virtues necessary to transform us into becoming beacons of light for God in the world.

**Format for Order:** The Holy Spirit is a God of order. The Queen Peace Prayer Group follows the direction of the Holy Spirit. We take I Corinthians 14:26-40 as our guide for orderly worship and conduct. We have established cycles of praise that include song, worship, listening and the sharing of God's Word. After singing a particular song, the group usually will pray and sing in tongues. When the praise comes to a gentle end, we listen and discern God's revelation to us through the gifts of each individual member through a short prophetic word, scripture, and a vision with interpretation and/or a prophetic tongue with interpretation. After three or four cycles, we spend a few moments quietly discerning what we have individually heard God say to us. Subsequently, members are invited to share the message they received with one another. The meeting ends with prayers of petition, announcements and song.

**Preserving the Mission:** In keeping with the mission of the prayer group, we want to focus exclusively on Jesus and what Jesus has to say to us during the prayer meeting through prophecy and scripture. Therefore, members are asked to not use other materials for sharing or reading other than the Word of God from scripture and the gifts of the Spirit. However good and edifying some sources may be, devotional guides, messages from other prophets or visionaries, private journal entries written at other times, should not be used during the prayer meeting. Members may want to share these items with others after the prayer meeting.

**Activities after the Prayer Meeting:** When the meeting has ended, members and guests are invited to a time of fellowship in the social hall or other designated place. There is also a time for individuals to seek prayer for special needs. Sometimes, there is also the opportunity to break open the Word of God at Bible Study. All are welcome to any and all parts of our time together.