

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2021 (18-24/10)



Day 1: Pray for CCBC (1)

Kids For Christ

1. Due to gathering restrictions, many classes from day school and extracurricular activities have moved online, and it's the same with Sunday school. This is not easy for young children, may God give them extra patience & concentration, so that they can continue to focus on learning God's Word.
2. Pray that God will give wisdom to the KFC Team to organise and design suitable online activities that are both exciting and capable of inducing a strong interest in God's Word.
3. Give thanks to the Lord for preparing a theological student intern to serve in our children Sunday school. He is very experienced in teaching children. May God guide him as he interns with us, and that his experience can help the KFC team to serve the children more effectively.
4. May God raise 5-6 brothers or sisters to participate in the KFC ministry, so that the online Bible course can run more smoothly.

Day 2: Pray for CCBC (2)

Pastors and brothers & sisters

1. Pray for our pastors as they engage in a vast variety of ministries. May God guard their physical, mental and spiritual well-

being, increase their wisdom, faith and perseverance, and comfort them. O Lord, may brothers & sisters show understanding and care, and uphold our pastors & leaders with constant prayers.

2. Pray for the leaders and helpers who are serving diligently in various ministries. May God reward their effort and hard work! May God keep them in good physical and mental well-being!

3. Pray for our brothers & sisters, their relatives & friends who are sick. May the Lord's healing hand be upon them, and by relying on God they can have faith and peace! May the Lord also provide them with all their needs and comfort their families!

4. Pray for the health of all our brothers & sisters.

5. Pray for the brothers & sisters whose relatives & friends passed away recently. May the Lord comfort them!

6. Pray for the elderly parents of our brothers & sisters, especially those who are living far away. Pray for God's care and protection!

7. Pray for the brothers & sisters who are seeking employment. May God open doors for them and provide for their daily needs!

8. Pray for brothers & sisters who are in a relationship, or preparing for marriage. May they walk together in one heart with the Lord daily and understand His guidance. Pray also that God will lead their path.

(Note: Due to privacy legislation, names and details of some prayer items cannot be listed. Please add your own prayer items based on your personal knowledge of the needs of some brothers and sisters, and pray earnestly according to personal calling and conviction.)

Day 3: Pray for local community missions

Peaceful Living

1. Give thanks for the Lord's guidance in commencing three support groups for mums who haven't accepted Christ yet. May the

Lord give strength to the sisters serving, and open the hearts of the mums participating. Help them experience God's love, and believe in Christ soon.

2. Pray for the Dad & Mum Support Groups currently in progress. May God use them, so that brothers and sisters and friends can encourage and support one another through sharing, and learn to be a good father/mother together.

Day 4 : Global Missions –

Gordon & Maggie (COCM) Europe missionaries

1. Give thanks to the Lord! We organised a mid-autumn gospel gathering in Montpellier during September, which was attended by many gospel friends, including couple of families and dozens of students. A number of the students have started to join our gatherings. We will continue to do follow-up work with the families and students, may God watch over and guide us.
2. From October, the Montpellier student fellowship will return to physical gatherings, but it will also continue to run online. May God continue to guide students who are willing to seek God to join our fellowship.
3. On 16 Oct, a few brothers and sisters will be helping a single-parent family, who hasn't accepted Jesus yet, to move to another city. It is a long journey, pray that God protects their safety on the roads and everything goes well. We are also sharing the gospel with them, may the Lord, through the love of the brothers and sisters, open their hearts to know more about God.
4. Give thanks to the Lord! Since the beginning of the academic year, a number of Christian students and gospel friends have joined the Grenoble student fellowship. May God strengthen the faith of the student

leaders, so they can be more committed in serving and leading Bible study.

5. Pray for Gordon's preparations for the Sunday sermon and other gatherings. May God give him wisdom to prepare suitable messages. Give him sufficient stamina with a peaceful and joyful heart as he travels among different cities.
6. Give thanks to God! By a marvellous fortune, Maggie obtained an opportunity to learn French for free. She is very grateful. From September, she has been attending French classes every Wednesday morning. She's enrolled for 10 weeks for now. May God give her sufficient stamina and mental capacity to learn French, in particular listening and speaking.
7. Pray for our enrolment in France's national health insurance ('NHI'). Due to various reasons and the fact that we are not employed by a local French organisation, we haven't been enrolled in NHI to date. There is lot of paperwork to be processed, may the Lord clear the path for us, so we can be enrolled in NHI soon.
8. Pray for the health of our parents (Gordon's father and Maggie's mother).

Day 5 : Pray for Christians under Persecutions

Around the world, persecutions directed at Christians are becoming more blatant. Please read the 2021 World Watch List and pray earnestly for the Christians in [Ethiopia](#) which is ranked #36 on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus. Prayer information can be found at:

<https://www.opendoors.org.hk/en/ethiopia/>

Day 6 : Pray for People in Sufferings around the World

Pray for the global pandemic situation:

As the virus mutates, a new wave of cases is swelling across the world. More than 238 million people have been infected by COVID-19 worldwide and more than 4.86 million people have lost their lives since the beginning of the pandemic. May the Lord have mercy!

Different parts of the world are still suffering from the pandemic. A number of Asian countries (such as Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Taiwan and Japan) are now facing new outbreaks. Please keep praying.

1. **Many countries** are rolling out their **vaccination** programs. Pray that the vaccines would be effective, so that the pandemic can be controlled around the world.
2. May God give wisdom to **the vaccine researchers**, so that the vaccines can be effective against new variants!
3. We pray that the needs of poorer countries would also be taken into consideration, so that all people across the world are looked after.

Australia & its Neighbours

1. Pray for the pandemic situation in **New South Wales, Canberra and Victoria**. Pray that everyone would adhere to the measures for the control of the pandemic.
2. May God grant wisdom to the Australian federal and state governments to wisely implement measures to curb the pandemic and roll out the vaccination program!
3. Many people are impacted mentally and emotionally by the pandemic. May the Lord

have mercy and give them peace!

4. Pray for the pandemic situation in Australia's neighbouring nations (such as Papua New Guinea). Australia is now supporting them to control it.

Nations and People of the World

- "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people." (Proverbs 14:34 NIV)
- Pray for the leaders of all the nations. May they fear God; act according to biblical truth and values; govern their countries with wisdom and love for their people, so that people can live peacefully and steadily with godliness and solemnness, and come to know Lord Jesus!
 - May the gospel be widely spread so that more people can repent of their sins quickly and turn to Jesus! May God's righteousness and truth be revealed in this age of chaos and darkness!
 - Pray for the global economic situation and livelihood of all people.
 - Pray for the various situations in Hong Kong, Myanmar, Afghanistan, USA and the Middle East etc.

(Note: The number of prayer items is numerous, and it is not feasible to list and write out all of them comprehensively. Please include your own prayer items as various situations unfold, and pray earnestly according to personal calling and conviction.)

Day 7 : Pray for Oneself (4) – Restoring Order amidst Confusion

"For God is not a God of disorder but of peace – as in all the congregations of the Lord's people." (1 Corinthians 14:33)

Dear Lord, your word has promised me – if I lack wisdom, I can ask you by faith, and you will give me wisdom. Please give me the heavenly

wisdom, so that I can see clearly the path ahead, and make every choice that goes after your heart.

Lord, you are not the confusion-maker but the creator of harmony and order. Please take away the emptiness and disorder in my life; move away the confusion..., and establish harmony & order in me!

Please search my heart and cleanse me from selfishness, envy, filth.... For where there is envy, selfishness, ambition, disorder and every evil practice can be found. In the name of my Lord, Jesus, I order the storms in my heart to stop; clear up all the evil influences and confusion that the devil exerted in my life.

God, I am committed to change myself and transform my thoughts, so that my life and living will show your beautiful order, and that they can be in line with God's will which is perfect, good and pleasing.

Dear Lord, I humbly declare that your ways are higher than my ways, and your thoughts are higher than my thoughts. Your work is beyond what I can see and understand. Please give me the ability of discernment to differentiate among your ways, my ways and the enemy's ways, and to obey and abide by your will. I am willing to adjust my plan to make it in line with your will. I truly believe that you are leading me.

I pray in the name of my Lord, Jesus, Amen!

(Adapted from 'Prayers that Move Mountains', P.183-184)

Pray for ourselves so that we can experience God every day:

- 1. Read the Bible every day and meditate God's Word.*
- 2. Retreat to a quiet place to spend time with God, listen carefully to His still small voice, and wait for His instruction and correction with a humble and open heart.*
- 3. Live out God's Word in our daily life and experience the presence of God.*
- 4. Watch carefully in our daily life for God's guidance and then follow Him wholeheartedly to complete God's assignment so that we can experience God profoundly.*



I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people — for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior. (1 Timothy 2:1-3)

