CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2022 (14-20/02)



<u>Day 1: Pray for CCBC (1)</u> Next Gen

- 1. Pray that God will provide more devoted English-speaking brothers & sisters to join the team to serve the young people in Next Gen who grows up here in Australia.
- 2. Pray that God will make New Gen a community of English-speaking disciples that fear God and love Jesus. They will share the gospel in English, bring people to Christ and lead more Christians to become disciples.

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! May the Lord also provide them with all their needs and comfort their families!
- 4. Pray for the health of all our brothers & sisters. May the Lord's healing hand be upon those who have fallen sick recently. Pray for our pastors who labour diligently in providing care to them.
- 5. Pray for the elderly parents of our brothers & sisters, especially those who are living far away. Pray for God's care and protection!
- 6. Pray for the brothers & sisters who are seeking employment. May God open doors for them and provide for their daily needs!
- 7. Pray for the 2 upcoming weddings, may these weddings run smoothly. Pray also especially for the pastors and brothers & sisters who are serving in the midst of the pandemic. May God protect them with good health and safety!

(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.)

<u>Day 3: Pray for local community missions</u> Peaceful Living

1. Thank God that the "Overseas Study Freshmen 2022" has completed smoothly and we have made contact with more than 10 new friends who come here from overseas to study.

Pray that God will strengthen the helpers in their follow-up and care work in which they serve and witness our Lord with love.

- 2. Pray for the commencement and preparations of the Campus ministry, including Mel-U CCF, Frankston Support Group and other campus groups. May the Lord touch our hearts and encourage more people to serve in the ministry and bring His love to the international students.
- 3. Pray for the preparations for Tikkun Olam on 10/3. May God provide sufficient volunteers and food items and use this community care project to bless the local Jewish people in need.

<u>Day 4 : Global Missions</u> – COCM – Gordon & Maggie

Prayer items:

- 1. Praise the Lord, Maggie's mother has safely arrived home in Mainland China and managed to spend the Chinese New Year in peace.
- 2. The 4 students who recently accepted Christ in Montpellier have started the new-believer training course. Thank God that they all eager to learn and know more about God. May God continue to protect them and work in their hearts!
- 3. Pray for discipleship training and Bible study leading training in three cities. Pray that the brothers and sisters are more willing to serve and spread the gospel.
- 4. Pray that the Lord will continue to give us the wisdom and strength to shepherd the flock and lead the development of the church.
- 5. Pray that the Lord will continue to keep our

parents healthy and family members who have not accepted Christ will accept Christ soon.

<u>Day 5: Pray for Christians under</u> Persecutions

Around the world, persecutions directed at Christians are becoming more blatant. Please read the 2022 World Watch List and pray earnestly for the Christians in Somalia which ranks #3 on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus.

Prayer information can be found at: https://opendoors.org.au/world-watch-list/somalia/

<u>Day 6: Pray for People in Sufferings around</u> the World

Pray for the global pandemic situation:

As the virus mutates, a new wave of cases is swelling across the world. More than 398 million people have been infected by COVID-19 worldwide and more than 5.75 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. The Omicron variant is spreading worldwide, and there are outbreaks in many places. 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 the poorer countries would also be taken into consideration, so that all people across the world are being looked after.
- 4. The pandemic has impacted so many children all over the world, especially in those poverty-stricken countries. May God protect them, secure them from danger and enable them to continue their studies, so that their growth will not be stunted!
- 5. With the risk of the new wave of COVID-19, please pray for the hospitals and healthcare workers around the world. Pray that God will strengthen them and provide them with all the much-needed medical supplies.

Australia & its Neighbours

- 1. Pray for the pandemic situation in Victoria. Pray that everyone would adhere to the measures for the control of the pandemic.
- 2. Pray for the complicated pandemic situations Australia is facing. May God protect Australia, so that it can continue its rigorous measures in curbing the pandemic while opening up borders!
- 3. May God grant wisdom to the Australian federal and state governments to take cautious approach to reopen gradually, and keep reminding people to remain vigilant against the spread of pandemic!
- 4. Many people are impacted mentally and emotionally by the pandemic, and psychiatrists are already seeing more people seeking help. May the Lord have mercy and give them peace!

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Nations and People of the World

"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people." (Proverbs 14:34 NIV)

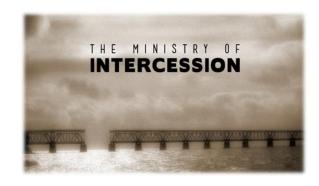
- Pray for the leaders of all the nations. May they fear God; act according to biblical truth and values; govern their countries with wisdom and love for their people, so that people can live peacefully and steadily with godliness and solemnness, and come to know Lord Jesus!
- May the gospel be widely 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, the Middle East, Taiwan, the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Kazakhstan and Ukraine 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: Great Souls at Prayer (36)

Our father, in the light of our Saviour's blessed life, we would lift our souls to You. We thank You for that true light shining in our world with increasing brightness. We thank You for all who have walked in that light, especially for those close and dear to us, in whose lives manifested this excellent glory and beauty. May we know that they are with You whether in the body or out of the body, and that when these earthly days come to an end, it is not that our service of you and of one another may cease, but that it

may begin anew. Make us glad for all who have faithfully lived; make us glad for all who have peacefully died. Lift us into light and love with purity and eternal blessings, and give us at last our portion with those who have trusted in You and sought, in small things as in great, in things temporal and things eternal, to do Your holy will. Amen.



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

- 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.

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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)