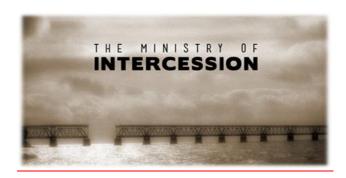
CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2022 (30/05 - 05/06)



Day 1: Pray for CCBC (1)

Sparks

- 1. Pray for the weekly Bible study of the Disciple Life Groups (DLG). May God help brothers and sisters root in His word and apply it in life.
- 2. Pray for the newly formed groups. May the Lord help the new students to adapt into the personal and church life in Australia, experience God and grow spiritually.
- 3. May God use the retreat for Sparks leaders on 13/6 so that the leaders can rest and renew their strength in the Lord over the holiday.

With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2-3)

Day 2: Pray for CCBC (2)

Pastors and brothers & sisters

1. Pray for our pastors as they are involved in a variety of ministries. May God guard their physical, mental and spiritual well-being, and increase their wisdom, faith & perseverance. O Lord, may our brothers & sisters show more understanding and care, and uphold our pastors & leaders with constant prayers.

- 2. Pray for the welcome/orientation program. May the Lord provide more helpers, so that we can help newcomers feel welcome and know our church better.
- 3. Pray for the leaders & 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!
- 4. 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!
- 5. 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 diligently caring for 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!

(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> <u>CareNet</u>

1. Give thanks to God for His guidance! CareNet has recently reached out to some more people with illness and their families through a variety of seminars, gatherings and referrals. May God prepare suitable helpers to follow up and provide care to these families.

- 2. Pray for the half-year plan of CareNet and the arrangements for the upcoming activities. May God provide guidance.
- 3. May God provide for the financial needs of CareNet. Pray for the donations before the end of the financial year in June. May God prepare more generous donors who are willing to serve the community with CareNet, and care for the people with illness, their families and the elderly together.

Day 4: Global Missions -

East Myanmar Yan Ying Centre (HK Baptist Mission)

Prayer points:

- 1. Pray for the brothers & sisters of the Ann ethnic group who have just believed in Christ. May God strengthen their faith as they follow Jesus.
- 2. Pray for the brothers and sisters who were baptised. Pray that they will love God deeper, have a victorious life by relying on God, and follow the Lord for their whole life persistently.
- 3. Pray for the children in the centre. May they grow and find favour in the sight of God and man in the spiritual family.
- 4. Pray for the onsite lessons of Yan Ying primary school. May God protect all teachers and students, and give them good health.
- 5. Pray for the commencement ceremony of the theological seminary in Myanmar on 20/5. May God guide and equip both the current and new students. Give thanks to God that 18 new students have already registered!

6. Pray for the political situation in Myanmar. May God pour love and unity on this land, and cease the war and restore stability and peace.

<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 **Qatar** which ranks #18 on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus.

Prayer information can be found at:

https://www.opendoors.org.hk/en-US/persecution/countries/gatar/

<u>Day 6: Pray for People in Sufferings</u> 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 **526 million** people have been infected with COVID-19 worldwide and more than **6.28 million** people have lost their lives since the beginning of the pandemic. May the Lord have mercy on mankind!

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 and other medications 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 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. 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 resources.

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 remain vigilant against the spread of the 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!
- 5. Pray for the pandemic situation in Australia's neighbouring nations. Australia is now supporting them to control it.

- 6. Queensland and New South Wales were recently devastated by severe flooding; please pray for the affected people and the rebuilding efforts underway.
- 7. Pray for the federal government of Australia. May the leaders fear God, act according to biblical truth and values, and govern the country with wisdom and love for people.

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 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 pandemic situation in Hong Kong and other regions in Asia.
- Pray for the war in Ukraine and the refugees.
- Pray for the various situations in Myanmar, Afghanistan, USA, the Middle East, Taiwan, the Solomon Islands, Tonga, and Kazakhstan, etc.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
(Matthew 6:9b-10)

(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 (51)

I Worship You, O my God, with all my best love and awe, with my fervent affection, with my most subdued, most resolved will. O make my heart beat with Your heart. Purify it of all that is earthly, all that is proud and sensual, all that is hard and cruel, of all perversity, of all disorder, of all deadness. Fill my heart with You, that neither the situations nor the circumstances of the time may ruffle it; but that in Your love and Your fear it may have peace – Amen.

O God, who in Your loving-kindness do both begin and finish all good things; grant that as we glory in the beginnings of Your grace, so we may rejoice in its completion; through Jesus Christ our Lord – 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.



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)

