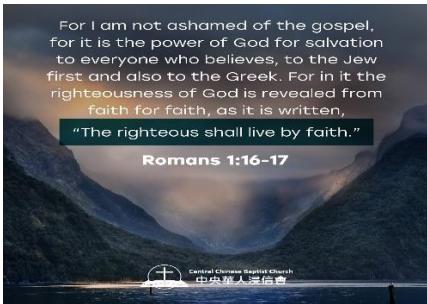


## CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2023 (13 - 19/02)



**God's household is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. (1 Timothy 3:15b)**

### **Day 1: Pray for CCBC (1)**

1. Pray for the development of various ministries. May God guide our way and provide what is required!
2. May God use the Joint Cell Bible Study in 2023 to help brothers and sisters to understand the truth and apply it in daily life.
3. Pray for our pastors, leaders & helpers serving diligently in various ministries. May God guard them and their families, keep them well and increase their wisdom, faith & perseverance.
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! Pray also for our pastors who look after for them diligently.
5. Pray for the elderly parents of our brothers & sisters, especially those living far away. Pray for God's care and protection!
6. Pray for the brothers & sisters looking for jobs. May God open doors for them and provide for their daily needs!
7. We do not have enough space for running simultaneous onsite gatherings. May God provide more space for our ministries both on

Saturdays and Sundays!

8. May the Lord provide more helpers to welcome newcomers and help them know our church better!
9. Pray for the implementation of various child safety measures. Pray that all our brothers & sisters will join together in keeping children safe!
10. Pray to ask God to bind Satan and block the destructive works, strengthen the faith of brothers & sisters, and help them stay alert in prayers.

*(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.)*

*I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. (John 17:11)*

### **Day 2: Pray for local community missions**

#### **CareNet Centre**

1. Pray for the elderly who have been reached by the Elderly Care Group. May God grant the helpers with wisdom and love for following up and caring the elderly, so that they can feel the love of Christ.
2. Pray for the participants of the Care Training in February. May God help them understand more about the physical and spiritual needs of elderly people and know how to communicate & care for them.
3. Pray for the families of the people in sickness whom CareNet has been following up, may God's peace be with them. May God also grant the helpers with wisdom to care for them accordingly.

## Day 3: Global Missions – COCM – Gordon & Maggie

1. Praise the Lord, after a series of festive gospel events and gatherings, we have met some new seekers, and those we met in previous gospel events have also come back to our meetings occasionally. Please continue to pray for the gospel work of families and students in Montpellier and Grenoble, may God work in their hearts and continue to have the heart to know and seek God.
2. We will start a new round of family group discipleship training in Montpellier. We will invite some mothers who have believed in Christ for a while to participate. Maggie and a sister who is studying theology will lead it together. Pray that the Lord will work in their hearts, and they are willing to participate together.
3. Please continue to pray for the new-believer course & discipleship training for the Montpellier student group. Maggie & Gordon will train some student leaders to lead the discipleship training. May the Lord bless both the trainers and trainees so that they can all have a fruitful journey.
4. Pray for a student who suffers from mental illness and needs to be admitted to hospital. May the Lord heal her, and through the medical treatment, she can be discharged from hospital as soon as possible, have a good recovery and resume her studies.
5. Thank the Lord, Maggie's mother's recovery is progressing very well after getting Covid-19, and now her body has recovered a lot. May the Lord continue to protect her body, grant her peace, and she can gain strength from God's word every day.

## Day 4: Pray for Christians under Persecutions

Around the world, persecutions directed at Christians are becoming more blatant. Please read the 2023 World Watch List and pray earnestly for the Christians in **Eritrea** which ranks **#4** 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/eritrea/>

## Day 5: Pray for People in Sufferings around the World

### Pray for the global pandemic situation:

As the virus mutates, new cases are on the rise around the globe. **More than 700 million** people have been infected with COVID-19 worldwide and **more than 6.79 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 variants are spreading worldwide, and there are outbreaks in many places. Please keep praying.

1. **Many countries** are rolling out their vaccination/booster programs. Pray that the vaccines & boosters would be effective, so that the pandemic can be controlled.
2. May God give wisdom to **the vaccine researchers**, so that the vaccines and other medications can be effective in fighting 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 healthcare workers around the world. Pray that God will strengthen them and provide them with the needed medical resources.

### **Pray for Australia & its Neighbours**

1. Pray for the pandemic situation – the pandemic hasn't ended yet! Pray that everyone would show consideration for others, remain vigilant and adhere to the measures for the control of the pandemic.
2. 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!
3. Pray for the pandemic situation in Australia's neighbouring nations.
4. Many places in New South Wales & Victoria are devastated by severe flooding – pray for the affected people and the rebuilding efforts underway.
5. Pray for the economic situation and livelihood of all people in Australia.
6. Pray for the federal & state governments of Australia. May the leaders fear God, act according to biblical truth and values, and govern the country with wisdom and love for people!

### **Day 6: Pray for the Nations and People**

*"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 turn to Jesus! May God's righteousness and truth be manifested in this era of chaos and darkness!
- Pray for the global economic situation and livelihood of all people – inflation & food crisis.
- Pray for Hong Kong and other places in Asia.
- Pray for the war in Ukraine and the refugees.
- Pray for the nations in the South Pacific.
- Pray for the situations in Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Afghanistan, the Middle East, Central Asia, etc.
- Pray for the situations in Taiwan and East Asia.
- Pray for a variety of global situations & needs.
- Pray for the people suffering from the recent earthquakes in Turkey, and the rescue operations.

*(Note: There are numerous prayer items. It is not feasible to list and write out all of them comprehensively. When you pray, please include your own prayer items as various situations unfold, and pray earnestly according to personal convictions.)*

*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)*



## Day 7: Great Souls at Prayer 2023 (4)

*O God, You are holy and unspeakable, wonderful and mighty God, whose power and wisdom has no end, before You all powers tremble, at whose glance the heavens and the earth flee away, You are Love, You are my Father, and I will love and worship You forever and ever!*

*You have deigned to show pity on me, and a ray from Your light has shone upon my inward eye. Guide me on into the perfect light, that it may illumine me wholly, and that all darkness may flee away. Let the holy flame of Your love so burn in my heart that it be made pure, and I may see You, O God; for it is the pure in heart who see You. You have set me free; You have drawn me to You; therefore forsake me not, but keep me always in Your grace. Guide me, rule me, and perfect me for Your kingdom. Amen.*

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

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

1. *Read the Bible every day and meditate on 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.*



*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)*

