

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2023 (15 – 21/05)



*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 renewal and growth of various ministries. May God guide our way and provide what is required!
2. Pray that God will use the discipleship life practices (spiritual disciplines) in each zone this year, so that brothers & sisters walk in Christ, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, abounding in thanksgiving.
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, provide them with all their needs and comfort their families! Pray also for our pastors who look after 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 work. 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 and larger venues for a variety of our ministries!

8. May the Lord provide more helpers to welcome newcomers and help them know our church better!

9. Pray for the Bible teaching and discipleship training ministries. May God bring in more teachers & instructors, so that the life of brothers and sisters can continuously be renewed and sanctified by God's word.

10. Pray that God will provide more helpers to share the heavy load of our diverse ministries in evangelism and mission

11. 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 **Peaceful Living – Community Care**

1. Pray that the Lord will provide \$800 to purchase supplies for Tikkun Olam (18/5) for 59 local Jewish families in poverty, so that they may experience the love of the Lord.

2. Pray that the Lord will prepare sufficient volunteers to help packing and delivering the gift packs on 18 May. May God use this community service to bless the local Jews in need!

Day 3: Global Missions –

HKBM – Rev. & Mrs Sung

1. Give thanks to God that we have returned to our mission field safely. But with the start of the spring season, Pastor Sung began to suffer from itchy eyes caused by pollen. May God have mercy and bring healing!
2. Pray for the cooperation of a new team of leaders and pastors at Hannover and Clough. May the Lord give us a spirit of unity to work with one another in the advancement of the gospel work of the church/bible study class!
3. Pray for all the members of the church/bible study class who are under stress in their studies, work and families. May our Lord help all of us to be guided and comforted by the word of God, and to continue to walk by faith in the Lord!

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 **Mali** which ranks **#17** 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/mali/>

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

Day 5: Pray for People in Sufferings around the World

Pray for the global pandemic situation:

More than 700 million people have been infected with COVID-19 worldwide, and **more than 7 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. Please keep praying.

1. May God give wisdom to **the vaccine researchers, so that the vaccines and other medications can be effective in fighting against new variants!**
2. 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!

Pray for Australia

1. 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!
2. Pray for the economic situation and livelihood of all people in Australia.
3. 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 is a reproach to any people. (Proverbs 14:34)

- 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.
- Pray for the war in Ukraine and the refugees.
- Pray for the island nations in the South Pacific.
- Pray for the situations in Hong Kong, Taiwan and East Asia.
- Pray for a variety of global situations & needs.

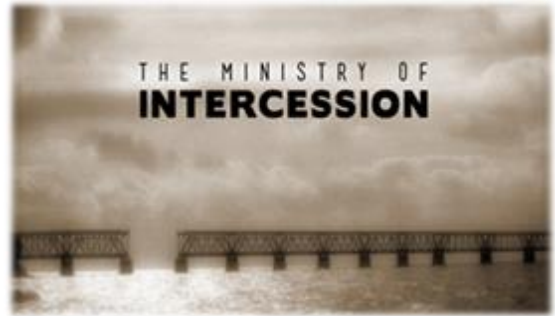
(Note: There are numerous prayer items. It is not feasible to list and write out all of them comprehensively. When you pray, please include your own prayer items as various situations unfold, and pray earnestly according to personal convictions.)

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 (18)

O Eternal God, in Your appointment our life stand! You have entrusted our work to us, and we would commit our worries to You. May we feel that we are not our own, and that You will care about what we desire, while we focus on Your will. May we never dwell carelessly or say in our hearts, “I am here, and there is none over me”; nor anxiously, as though our path were hid; but with a mind simply fixed upon our trust, and choosing nothing but the dispositions of Your Providence. We ask you to fill us more and more with that pity for others’ troubles, which comes from forgetfulness of our own, and fill us with the glad hope of the children of eternity. And to You, the Beginning and the End, Lord of the living, Refuge of the dying, we give thanks and praise for ever – 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)