

## CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2023 (28/08 - 03/09)



*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. Pray for the renewal and growth of various ministries. May God guide our way and provide what is needed!
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 the evangelism and gospel outreach of our zones. May we experience more of God's grace this year, and lead more people to Christ!
4. 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.
5. Pray for the elderly parents of our brothers and 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. Pray to God for 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 that God will provide more helpers to share the heavy load of our diverse mission ministries.
10. Pray to ask God to bind Satan and block the destructive works, strengthen the faith of brothers & sisters, and help them stay alert.

*(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 Moon Festival Care for Elderly Operation. May the elderly experience God's love and care through this, and be open to receiving the Gospel. May the Lord provide all the necessary resources and helpers for the event, and grant wisdom to the team for arranging suitable activities to share the gospel.
2. Pray for the upcoming Carer's Training. May the Lord watch over the preparations by the instructors, event promotion and advertising. May God prepare interested brothers and sisters to participate, and learn some relevant skills and traits of carers in order to serve and care for those in need with God's love.

### **Day 3: Global Missions – Peaceful Living**

1. Give thanks to God for the brothers and sisters serving and caring for the community. May the Lord open new doors for more opportunities to care for people in need in our local communities.

2. May the Lord use the “Melbourne Migrant mutual aid network” to serve more migrants, to be able to meet their practical needs, so that they can experience God’s love. May the Lord also prepare more helpers to serve and care for the increasing number of new immigrants.

3. Pray for the preparations of the International Students Ministry for the second half of the year. May the Lord inspire more people to join to serve together, to bring God’s love to more international students.

4. Pray for the ongoing Dad and Mum Support Groups. May the Lord use them, so brothers and sisters and friends are able to encourage and support one another through sharing, and learn to be good dads & good mums together.

### **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 **Mozambique** which ranks **#32** 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/mozambique/>

***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!

1. May God give wisdom to **the medical 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 education, 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.

***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 (33)**

*Show Your mercy to me, O Lord, to glad my heart nevertheless. Let me find You, for whom I long. I'm like the man that was caught of thieves, wounded, and left for half dead, as he was going towards Jericho. You kind-hearted Samaritan, take me up. I am the sheep that is gone astray; O good Shepherd, seek me out, and bring me home to Your fold again. Deal favorably with me according to Your good pleasure, that I may dwell in Your house all the days of my life, and praise You for ever and ever with them that are there—Amen.*

*O God, the Renewer and Lover of innocence, turn the hearts of all Your servants to Yourself, that they may be found ever rooted in faith and fruitful in works, through Jesus Christ our Lord—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)***