

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2023 (11-17/09)



*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

1. Pray for the preparation of the speaker for the "Diet for Good Brain Health" online health seminar to be held on 14 October. Pray that the contents will be relevant. May God use this seminar for us to serve more people!
2. With view of the needs of carers, we are planning to start a 'Carers' Support Group' and a 'Carers' Prayer Group'. May God guide us!
3. Pray for CareNet's financial needs and ask the Lord to provide more regular donors to support the operation of our various projects.

Day 3: Global Missions – Baptist World Aid Australia – Be Love

1. Give thanks to God for using the Be Love program of the Baptist World Aid Australia to help families and children in need. Pray that God will continue to bless them and their overseas partner organizations, so that they can provide assistance relevant to the children in the local communities. Also pray for God's continuous guidance for the ministries of the Baptist World Aid Australia, which will bring God's love and good news to more people.
2. Pray for the 12 students currently supported by CCBC. Pray that by God's grace they will get to know the gospel through Be Love, experience life transformation, and help their families out of poverty.
3. Pray for God's provision for the necessary funding for the 12 students in 2023. May the brothers and sisters in CCBC can continue to passionately live out compassion through their financial support!

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 **Qatar** which ranks **#34** 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/qatar/>

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 (35)

O Lord, we acknowledge your dominion over us; our life, our death, our soul and body, all belong to you. We pray you grant that we may willingly consecrate ourselves fully to you, and use all in your service. Let us walk before you in childlike simplicity, steadfast in prayer; fixing my eyes only on you, so that whatsoever we do or abstain from may follow your will. Become Lord of our hearts and spirits; that our inner being may be brought under your rule, and that your life of love and righteousness may permeate all our thoughts and energies and the very ground of our souls; that we may be wholly filled with it. Come, O Lord, Lord, enter into our hearts, and live and reign there forever and ever. O faithful Lord, teach us to trust you for life and death, and to take you for our all in all – 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)***