CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (29/01 - 04/02)



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. 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 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. May the Lord provide more and larger spaces for various ministries to use, as there is a shortage of meeting places.
- 8. May the Lord provide more helpers to welcome newcomers!

- 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: Global & Local Missions

Peaceful Living

- 1. Give thanks to God for his guidance! We have reached out to some new families in the western suburbs. May God open their hearts, so that they can accept Jesus soon.
- 2. May God prepare more devoted helpers to care for and serve the increasing number of new migrants in the community.
- 3. May God prepare more spaces for us to continue the ministry of spreading the Gospel.

Day 3: Christians under Persecutions

Around the world, persecutions directed at Christians are becoming more blatant. Please read the 2024 World Watch List and pray earnestly for the Christians in Somalia which ranks #2 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/somalia/

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

<u>Day 4: People in Sufferings around the world</u> Pray for the global pandemic situation:

More than 800 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 5: Great Souls at Prayer 2024 (2)

O Lord our God, You have chased the slumber from our eyes, and once more assembled us to lift up our hands to You, and to praise Your just judgements, accept our prayers and supplications, and give us faith that makes not ashamed, confident hope and love unfeigned; bless our coming-in and going-out, our thoughts, words, and works, and let us begin this day with the praise of the unspeakable sweetness of Your mercy. Hallowed be Your name; Your kingdom come – Amen.

O Lord, You are as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land, who beholds Your weak creatures, weary of labour, weary of pleasure, weary of hope deferred, weary of self, in Your abundant compassion and unutterable tenderness, bring us, we pray You, to Your rest – Amen.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thess. 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)

