

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (19 - 25/02)



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!

(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

Anna (HKBM – Local Cross-Cultural Missionary) Service Community: Indonesian

1. Give thanks to the Lord! God provided two Indonesian co-workers when we desperately needed Indonesian pastoral staff to develop our ministry. God opened doors in their visa applications which were approved within two weeks and four weeks respectively. They started their work on 1 December, focusing on pastoral care for and outreach to the Indonesian domestic helpers. Pray that God will continue to provide for all our needs!
2. Pray for the new co-workers, Yun and Ice, so that they can adapt to new environment; and learn Cantonese (Yun). Pray for good communication and excellent partnership between Anna and the new co-workers.
3. Pray for the development of the Indonesian Gospel Ministry in HKBM. Indonesian domestic helpers are the second largest group of foreign domestic helpers in Hong Kong after the Filipinos. Most of them are Muslim, in need of the Gospel.
4. We hope that our outreach events will not only bring a moment of happiness to the domestic helpers, but also provide opportunities for follow up and care. HKBM is actively promoting and lining up the local churches in developing Indonesian domestic helper ministry on a district-by-district basis. At present, HKBM is planning to kick start Indonesian domestic helper ministry in four districts, namely, Kowloon East, Kowloon West, New Territories East and Hong Kong Island East. By doing so, we hope to consolidate resources; expand God's kingdom; and live out the good testimony for Jesus. Pray for the Lord's guidance in this multi-district ministry.

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 **Yemen** which ranks **#5** 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/yemen/>

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

Day 4: People in Sufferings around the world

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 (5)

O God, who base in mercy taught us how good it is to follow the holy desires which You manifoldly put into our hearts, and how bitter is the grief of falling short of whatever beauty our minds behold, strengthen us, we beseech You, to walk steadfastly throughout life in the better path which our hearts once chose; and give us wisdom to tread it prudently in Your fear, as well as cheerfully in Your love; so that, having been faithful to You all the days of our life here, we may be able hopefully to resign ourselves into Your hands hereafter – Amen.

We beseech You, O Lord, let the power of the Holy Spirit be present with us, that it may both mercifully cleanse our hearts, and protect us from all adversities; through our Lord Jesus Christ – 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.*

