CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (13-19/05)



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. Pray for the renewal and development of various ministries of our church, may the Lord lead and provide all that is needed!
- 2. May the Lord provide more and larger spaces for various ministries to use, as there is a shortage of meeting places!
- 3. May the Lord use the discipleship life practices in each zone this year, so that the spiritual life of brothers & sisters may be rooted and built up in Christ, with unwavering faith and a grateful heart.
- 4. Pray that the Lord will use the 'Fast and Pray' Campaign to prepare our hearts and pray for revival.
- 5. Pray for the work of planting communities locally. May the Lord provide meeting places and raise up brothers & sisters to participate in evangelism, and lead more people to come to faith in Him!

(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)

<u>Day 2: Global & Local Missions</u> Peaceful Living

- 1. Pray for the preparations of Tikkun Olam (6 June), pray that the Lord will provide sufficient financial resources to buy food and supplies, and prepare enough volunteers in packing and delivering gift packs on the day. May the Lord use this community care service to bless Jews in need in the local community.
- 2. Pray for the Werribee Gospel Hub. May the Lord provide enough helpers to serve in the ministry. Pray that the 'Fast and Pray' Campaign will prepare the hearts and lives of the team to participate in God's own work. May the Lord use the weekly trainings to prepare the team to serve in different roles, and lead others to Christ.

CareNet

- 1. Praise the Lord! The sharing session of "Encouraging the SEN Caregivers: Teaching Skills and Activities for Children with Autism" was completed smoothly. Pray for wisdom and love in the caregivers so that they will be able to apply in their situations. Pray that we can continue the journey with these SEN caregivers.
- 2. Pray for the preparations of the online health seminar "Diet for Healthy Liver" (8 June). Pray for the speaker, publicity and support. May the Lord use this seminar to serve more people.
- 3. Pray for the preparations of the elderly home visit in mid-June. Pray for wisdom in preparing suitable activities including games, songs and messages to share the love of Jesus. Pray for the recruitment and training of volunteers for the event.

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

Day 4: Pray for 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 holiness & 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 situations in Hong Kong, Taiwan, East Asia, and the island nations in the South Pacific.
- Pray for the global situations, especially in the Middle East.

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 Saviour. (1 Timothy 2:1-3)

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.

Day 5: Great Souls at Prayer 2024 (17)

O my God, You are ever new, though You are the most ancient. You alone are the food for eternity. I am to live forever; not for a time – and I have no power over my being; I must live on, with intellect and consciousness forever, in spite of myself. Without You, eternity would be another name for eternal misery. In You alone I have that which can stay me up forever; You alone are the food for my soul. You alone are inexhaustible, and ever offer to me something new to know, something new to love. And so on for eternity I shall ever be a little child beginning to be taught the rudiments of Your infinite Divine nature. For You are the seat and centre of all good, and the only substance in this universe of shadows, and the heaven in which blessed spirits live and rejoice – 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)

