# CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (05 - 11/08)



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 for the gospel events and outreach of all our zones. May we experience more of our Lord's grace this year, and lead more people to come to faith in Him!

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!

6. Pray for our pastors, leaders & helpers who are serving diligently in various ministries. May God guard them and their families, keep them well and increase their wisdom, faith & perseverance.

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

#### <u>Grace Vessel</u>

Thank the Lord for continually protecting the operation of the Grace Vessel School. Through the school, many needy families and students have been helped. The school's rental lease will expire in December 2025. Pray that the Lord will guide the way forward.

- a. Pray for the 146 students in the school, of which
  31 have special educational needs. Pray that the
  Lord will provide the best arrangements for them.
- b. Pray that the Lord will comfort the teachers, especially in the arduous task of caring for the disabled students.
- c. Pray that the Lord's love will fill the principal, be with her always, and grant her faith.

#### **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 **Turkmenistan** which ranks **#29** on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus.

In Turkmenistan, there is little room for Christians to breathe, the totalitarian government of Turkmenistan uses a huge body of state agents to monitor all religious activities closely. The printing or importing of Christian materials is restricted.

Prayer information can be found at: <u>https://www.opendoors.org.hk/en-</u> <u>US/persecution/countries/turkmenistan/</u>

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

(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.

### 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 (29)

In confidence of your goodness and great mercy, O Lord, I come to you – as a sick person to the Healer, as one hungry and thirsty to the Fountain of life, a creature to the Creator, a weary soul to my tender Comforter. Behold, in you is all I could ever desire; you are my Salvation and Redemption, my Hope and Strength. Rejoice this day, O Lord, for I have lifted my soul to you.

Lord, who washes away our offences, comfort us as we faithfully call upon you. We beseech you to blot out our transgressions, and restore us from death to the land of the living, through 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 Thess. 5:16-18)



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)