

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (12 - 18/08)



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. 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!
3. 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!

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)

(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 2: Global & Local Missions **Chinese Overseas Christian Mission (COCM) – Gordon & Maggie**

After returning from the UK to France in early August, we are busy with ministry trips, hosting fellow workers & members in Christ, preparing various meetings, and organizing the welcome

activities for September. Please pray for the Lord to grant us enough wisdom, strength, and stamina to complete our work, to have a good partnership with our fellow workers and brothers and sisters, and to bear a good testimony for the Lord.

2. This year, the French church in Montpellier signed a new rental agreement with us. It has significant changes compared to the previous one. We need some adaptation and adjustments. Pray for the Lord to provide our needs and to continue to bless us with a good relationship and collaboration with the French church, so that we may prosper the gospel together.

3. Recently, many key co-workers have been facing great work pressure & difficulties, including the stress of not being able to find a job. Pray that God will strengthen their faith, help them continue to rely on God in difficult times, and to have a heart of peace and joy.

4. Pray for Maggie's health. She is currently undergoing treatment. Please pray for the Lord's healing.

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 **Nicaragua** which ranks **#30** on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus.

Christian leaders have been harassed and arrested; Christian schools, television stations and charities have been closed, and churches are constantly monitored and intimidated. Last Easter, the police banned all processions during the Holy Week.

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

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 (30)

O Lord, You give Your great love to this world, and reconciled earth to heaven through Your only Son. May you turn us away from the darkness; shed on us Your light that will fill up our souls with brotherly love and Your own sweetness, and embrace our friends in You, and our enemies for Your sake, in a bond of mutual affection – Amen.

O Lord, strengthen and support those who are unjustly accused. Comfort them by the ever-present thought that You know the whole truth, and in Your own good time will make their righteousness as clear as the light. Give them grace to pray for those who have wronged them, and hear and bless them when they pray – 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)*