

CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (19 - 25/08)



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

Hong Kong Baptism Mission (HKBM) Local cross-cultural missionary – Anna

1. Give thanks that 3 training activities were completed during June-July, including 'How to start a conversation with Muslims' (16 attendees); 'Employment Ordinance Workshop'

(11 attendees); and 'Indonesian language and culture' (16 attendees). May the Lord bless each of the participants.

2. Pray for the second part of the 'Indonesian language and culture' course, to be held in August. May God use it to equip believers to serve domestic helpers more effectively.
3. Pray for the 'Fun Day with Indonesian Domestic Helpers', to be held on 25/8 in Kowloon East. May God safeguard all the preparation works, and to use this outreach event to help more churches to connect with the Indonesian domestic helpers in their vicinity.
4. Pray for all the preparation work for the Indonesian Youth Festival to be held on 27/10. May God use various promotion channels to get the churches involved, so that this event can be a blessing to the Indonesian domestic helpers in HK.
5. Pray for Anna and her two co-workers, Yun and Ice, and all the volunteers, so that they can complement each other as a team.

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 **Oman** which ranks **#31** 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/oman/>

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 (31)

O Lord, fix my soul on You; let me not weary myself with cares and anxieties and harass of this life, who hope to live with You in Your everlasting love. Let me not be anxious about anything, save that You should love me, and make my soul as You love and will—Amen.

O God, You are a Refuge from the storm, and a Shadow from the heat. Even whilst we are lying safely in Your arms, we are sometimes foolishly timid. Oh, help our unbelief, and, in Your tenderness, assure us of Your protection. You can make all things work together for good to them that love You. Let not calamity injure our souls; let not sorrow corrode our hearts—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)*