CCBC PRAYER NEWSLETTER 2024 (16-22/09)



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. We do not have enough space for running simultaneous onsite gatherings. May God provide more and bigger venues for the various church ministries.

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 COCM - Gordon & Maggie

1. Please remember the Student Welcome and

Mid-Autumn Festival Gospel event on September 13th in Montpellier and September 14th in Grenoble. May God bless the preparation process and lead more new friends to attend. Remove all obstacles and grant the co-workers a spirit of unity and joy in their service. 2. May God remember our second-generation children & youth, so they would be willing to go to church, come to know the Lord, experience His love & faithfulness, and develop an interest in spiritual matters, building strong spiritual relationships with other brothers & sisters in church

3. As the needs of the church in various areas continue to grow, may God raise up & bring more brothers & sisters in Montpellier and Grenoble who are willing to commit themselves to serving, working together to advance the Gospel. 4. May the Lord continue to protect our physical, mental, and spiritual health, granting us strength and a strong heart to face life challenges. We also ask the Lord to watch over our families, protect their health and peace, and continue to lead us forward in His grace.

<u>Hong Kong Baptist Mission HKBM Local Cross-</u> <u>cultural Missionary - Anna</u>

1. 16 Indonesian domestic helpers have signed up for the English Gospel Class at Kwun Tong "Friends of Indonesia" Centre this September. However, the Centre does not have enough space for class of this size. Pray that God will prepare a bigger venue for the development of the ministry.

2. The annual 'Indonesian Youth Fun Day' is scheduled on 27 October (Sunday) this year. "Talent Contest" is added as the highlight of the day. Pray for the publicity and participation. May God prepare suitable volunteers in the event.

3. A few days ago, my mum started to develop shingle on her head. It's very painful. After taking medication, her condition has improved. Pray for God's healing, recovery and no aftereffects.

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 Vietnam which ranks #35 on the list of the 50 most dangerous countries to follow Jesus. Prayer information can be found at: <u>https://www.opendoors.org.hk/en-US/persecution/countries/vietnam/</u>

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 (35)

O Eternal God, who has created me to do the work of God after the manner of men, and to serve You in this generation, and according to my capacities; give me Your grace that I may be a prudent spender of my time, so as I may best prevent or resist all temptation, and be profitable to the Christian commonwealth; and by discharging all my duty, may glorify Your name. Take from me all slothfulness, and give me a diligent and an active spirit, and wisdom to choose my employment; that I may do works proportionable to my person, and to the dignity of a Christian, and may fill up all the spaces of my time with actions of religion and charity; improving my talent entrusted in me by You, my Lord, that I may enter into the joy of the Lord, to partake of Your eternal felicities, even for Your mercy's sake – 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)