October

Family, Nation, World Prayer letter

Prayer Letter October ~ 2017



I can do everything through Him who gives me strength. (Philippians 4:13)



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Monthly prayer letter Verse to meditate this month: Deuteronomy 31:6

1/10	S U N	Please pray for our Senior Pastor Thomas and his team (8 in total), for their oversea discipleship training for pastors and believers from churches in five different locations. The course includes "7 Foundation Stones" "Renewal of the mind", "Overview of the Old Testament", and "12 questions for emotional maturity". Please pray for the talks as well the spiritual guidance given to the pastors and believers. (STM training)
2/10	M O N	The Cantonese youth camp in September was successful. Ask God to give the leaders wisdom to follow-up members' spiritual growth. Pray for the brothers and sisters who gave their lives to Christ in this camp, that they may continually breakthrough in spiritual growth with a longing for God. (Youth Camp Follow-up)
3/10	T U E	Give thanks for the young people who attended the recent combined English Youth Camp. Pray that the teaching on The Cross and the fellowship enjoyed during the camp will have a lasting impact on many of their lives, especially those who are not yet Christians. (English Youth camp)
4/10	W E D	Please pray for S. Cantonese adult Sunday School bible study, and ask God to personally move brothers and sisters to join with hearts open to God's word, and to be equipped for ministry. (S.Cant. Sunday school)
5/10	T H U	South Mandarin is starting a new baptism class from 8th to 15th of October. Ask God to give Elder Franklin Chien the ability to teach, to show the students the real meaning of baptism. (S.Mand. Baptism classes)
6/10	F R I	The docudrama on the Louis Miracle, titled "Water to Wine" and hosted by the Louis Program and Perth Alliance Church is screening in Perth in English, Mandarin and Cantonese from 28th to 29th of October. Tickets are selling in our church and other churches. Please pray that God will move more brothers and sisters to bring new friends to attend. Also pray for the organisation and co-operation with Lake Gwelup Christian Church that the venue and sound equipment will be in order. Most importantly that the audiences may be able to understand and experience God's grace for themselves. ('Water to Wine' event)
7/10	S A T	Give thanks that the "Messy Fun Day" last month was enjoyed by all generations. Through innovative activities, scrumptious food and joyful celebration Christ's love was shown. Ask God for wisdom on how to follow-up new friends that joined us. Also pray for sister Sandra who has begun serving in the Hamersley community and schools as a YouthCARE Volunteer. (Messy Fun day)
8/10	S U N	Many High School and University students are doing end-of-year assessments and preparing for exams this month. Pray that they will conscientious in their study, not overly anxious and will put their trust in their heavenly Father to give them strength to persevere. (Students in exams)
9/10	M O N	North Mandarin sermon series on "Genesis" has come to an end. We will begin on "Galatians" from October. Ask God to personally speak to North Mandarin congregation through these sermons, so that everyone who comes may worship Him, and their spirits may be fed and strengthened. (N.Mand Sunday Messages)
10/ 10	T U E	Pray for the south building project. Pray God will give us giving hearts that love God and our church, offering with joy so we will have enough funds to start the project. Pray that our church will move forward into the next direction of ministry – outreach to Belmont! (2018 South Church Extension)

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11/ 10	W E D	Please pray for the extension plans for N41. That North church will be of one mind and heart, waiting on God, in order to utilise limited resources to improve the toilet and gutter condition, as well as increase usable meeting areas. (North N41)
12/ 10	T H U	South Cantonese congregation is having a baptism ceremony on the 15th Oct. Please pray for Eleanor that God will strengthen her heart, and use her testimony to share God's love with non-believer friends. (S.Cant Baptism body)
13/ 10	F R I	Pray for the newly elected deacons in September. Ask God to give them unity in heart with pastors and co-worker teams when serving, collaborating with each other with grace, to vitalize and expand our church in the coming year, bringing glory to God, and blessings to people. (New deacons)
14/ 10	S A T	North Mandarin brothers and sisters are having trouble attending the prayer meetings. Please pray for us, that the Lord will break down any obstacles, also reinforce in our hearts the importance of prayer meetings, not letting other things in life replace meeting for prayer. Also ask God to raise more prayer warriors who are willing to lift brother and sisters up in prayer, to revitalise our prayer meetings! (N.Mand Prayer Meetings)
15/ 10	S U N	Please pray for the new deacon Zhu Lei. Ask God to use him in south Mandarin, also look after and bless his family. (S.Mand Deacon)
16/ 10	M O N	S. Cant. discipleship training has concluded in August. The teachers will continue one on one individual training from now. Pray that God will give the students a clear sense of His calling to serve in different ministries. (S.Cant DT Graduates)
17/ 10	T U E	Please pray for the English screening of the 'Water into Wine' docudrama about the Louis Miracle on 29/10/2017. May God move people who do not know him yet to consider the reality of his existence in a new way, and that the organization will go smoothly so that the gospel will be presented unhindered. (Water to wine)
18/ 10	W E D	It is time to make our Faith Promise for the Great Commission Fund (used to support missionaries the C&MA Head Office sends out or supports). We will be doing it on the 29th October. Please pray for more brothers and sisters to support and pray for these missionaries, for the purpose of expanding God's Kingdom! (Great Commission Fund)
19/ 10	T H U	Please pray for S. Cant. cell groups 'Success' and 'Love you more every day'. Ask God to give strength and wisdom to the leaders to guide and lead, as well as bless the members with spiritual gifts, to nurture their children, be with their spouses, as well to work and serve in church. (S.Cant Cell groups)
20/ 10	F R I	The ministry committees of each congregation are waiting on God, praying and planning for next year's ministry. Please keep this in your prayers, that our church will live out the calling of "True Disciples, True Church and True Mission". (All Church)
21/ 10	S A T	Please pray for the North English ministry committee members: Ps. Thomas, Lois, Host, Janet Wong, Franky Kwok, and Ken Law. Pray that God will lead us in establishing a strong English ministry in the North. The first step is to call on those who are willing to do two on one mentoring with the English-speaking youth to help them become true disciples of Christ. (N.Eng Mininstry)
22/ 10	S U N	Please pray for the cell groups in North Mandarin: Adult group, young adult group, gentlemen's coffee house, family group, all of which need more committed members. Ask God to draw more brothers and sisters to join a cell group, and help the current members to be more involved, and to be able to encourage each other in spirit. (N.Mand Cell groups)

23/ 10	M O N	Please pray for the "Water to Wine" docudrama screening: ask God to bless us with good weather and to bind Satan in all he does. Ask God to use the testimonies of SK and Yolanda. Bless Ps. Thomas with wisdom to answer questions, listen to the Spirit to invite non-believer friends to put their trust in Christ, make us fishers of man. (Water to Wine screening)
24/ 10	T U E	South Mandarin is continually seeking to "change for Christ; and live as true disciples". Ask God to help us practice in our life the messages and plans. Ask the Holy spirit to move us to seek for spiritual growth that triggers real life changes to become true disciples of Christ, and to make disciples for Christ! (S.Mand members Spiritual growth)
25/ 10	W E D	Pray that next year our church may be more focused on changing our values, character, and life direction based on the theme: "Be Rooted in Heaven, Loving one another Here & Now!" (New Year ministry focus)
26/ 10	T H U	Pray for our Federal Parliament as the results of the postal plebiscite on Same Sex Marriage continue to come in this month. Whatever the outcome, pray that appropriate measures will be put in place to protect religious freedom, freedom of conscience, and the freedom of parents to determine what their children are taught in school. Pray also for Australia as a nation, that marriages and families may be strengthened in the face of increasing opposition to traditional marriage and gender roles. (SSM voting)
27 <i>l</i> 10	F R I	Please pray for North Mandarin "Discipleship training" classes. Ask God to lead and protect us, and that we can still have the seven students meet together after switching to video conference style classes. Ask God to keep the student's spirits up, so they can focus on the study and be greatly built-up. Also pray for the three teachers for more wisdom and patience with the students, that God will fill their hearts with his love. (N. Mand DT)
28/ 10	S A T	Thank God that there are 19 brothers joining "one on one" discipleship training. October is practice time: ask God to bless them with ability to practice what they've learnt, and experience God's presence. (S. Mand one on one)
29/ 10	S U N	Pray for the 'Alpha group' – a ministry led by Jane Xu and Steve Yu to reach out to overseas students from China. They meet with a group of ~8 students fortnightly to learn about Christianity. Praise God that some have become Christians recently. Pray for the 1-1 follow-up with some of these students. Pray that the non-believing students come to a deeper knowledge of Jesus through this group. Pray also that the Holy Spirit would strengthen and empower Jane, Steve, Livia, Jenny and Aijuan who are all serving in this ministry; may they experience God's divine protection and victory when they face spiritual attacks. (Alpha group)
30/ 10	M O N	Through the practice of "spiritual direction" and inspired by Ps. Ben Wong's sharing, ask God to show North Cantonese how to renew current cell groups, to reach a level of openness between brothers and sisters, build one another up, and to rekindle our relationships. (N.Cant New Cell group)
31/ 10	T U E	Please pray for the brothers and sisters being baptised on the 26 th of November. Ask God to protect their hearts, and to bind the Evil One who tries to upset their faith. (S.Mand Baptism members)

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