

October 十月

2020 Prayer Calendar 二零二零年祈禱月曆

"Who, then, are those who fear the Lord? He will instruct them in the ways they should choose. They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land. The Lord confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them." (Ps 25:12-14)

"誰敬畏耶和華，耶和華必指示他當選擇的道路。他必安然居住；他的後裔必承受地土。耶和華與敬畏他的人親密；他必將自己的約指示他們。"
(詩25:12-14)

To Reach the Lost and to Disciple the Saved
拯救失喪者 裝備得救者

Chinese Presbyterian Church
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A Disciple-making Church 造就門徒的教會

1	T H U	Church-wide Ministry and Direction Read Jesus' words prayerfully, "Come, follow me, and I will send you out to fish for people." (Mt 4:19) Reflect and pray about this and let God guide you in what you do today.
2	F R I	English Ministries Pray for the CYA & CYA+ leaders as they teach and role model to the youth how Psalms are directly relevant to the lives of the youth.
3	S A T	Cantonese Ministries Pray for home fellowship members to encourage each other and to understand and to apply God's words as they meet up.
4	S U N	Sunday School Thank God for the online Sunday holiday program and for those involved in designing and running it.
5	M O N	Language School Give thanks that the third semester just ended at the end of September. The remote teaching was smooth, full attendances from all the students, and the teachers were caring and taught seriously. Glory to the Lord!
6	T U E	Church-wide Ministry and Direction The pastoral team has set aside 20/10 for the team's Prayer and Planning Day for next year's ministry. Please pray for it so that it will be a fruitful day in discerning God's will for His church.

7	W E D	<p>English Ministries</p> <p>Pray for the leaders and members of Ignite, that they can have good fellowship and support each other.</p>
8	T H U	<p>National & International Situations</p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic has caused at least 110 million children to go hungry and pushed 8 million others into child labour and begging, according to assessments in 24 countries by World Vision. Please ask the Lord of mercy to show us what we can do to help alleviate this global problem.</p>
9	F R I	<p>Sunday School</p> <p>Praise God that we can use Zoom to catch up with the children and encourage them to think more about God. Pray for those children who have not been able to join.</p>
10	S A T	<p>Language School</p> <p>Pray that God will continue to lead and bless the fourth semester, the preparation of the teacher, the preparation of the students and parents, and the media for conducting class. Pray that the Lord will put an end to the epidemic as soon as possible and make all teachers and students healthy.</p>
11	S U N	<p>Church-wide Ministry and Direction</p> <p>Pray for the psychological and spiritual health of many within our church family who are physically fragile, have chronic illnesses or live by themselves that the Lord continues to bless and sustain them.</p>
12	M O N	<p>English Ministries</p> <p>Pray that we will be able to reach out to the elderly, sick and lonely within our congregation, that might be missing out on online services and fellowship. Pray they may be able to access whatever personal needs are required.</p>
13	T U E	<p>Mandarin Ministries</p> <p>Pray for the new students and teachers for the new round of “Life of Christ” course 2020. The new class will start from October. Ask God to prepare the students’ hearts to follow Christ and learn to be His disciples. Pray also for the teachers.</p>
14	W E D	<p>Sunday School</p> <p>Pray for the children and their families who find it hard to wake up for Sunday School. Pray that we can continue to keep in touch via other means.</p>
15	T H U	<p>National & International Situations</p> <p>Give thanks to God that the COVID-19 situation in Australia has improved with most states recording no new locally transmitted cases. Continue to pray for those who experience financial strain as a result of the pandemic.</p>
16	F R I	<p>National & International Situations</p> <p>At least 23 people were killed and another 20 wounded after armed extremists stormed an Anglican church compound in South Sudan recently, according to Open Doors. Extremist violence across South Sudan has, by September, displaced over 60,000 people. With several organisations forced out of the country, lives and the future of the church in the country is at extreme risk. Please pray for peace, comfort and healing for those affected by extremism. Also pray that Christians will remain steadfast in their faith.</p>
17	S A T	<p>English Ministries</p> <p>Pray for our Year 12 students and their families as they prepare for exams, in this year of disruption in education.</p>
18	S U N	<p>Mandarin Ministries</p> <p>Prayer for brothers and sisters for their physical need. May Lord show His Mercy and heal their weakness, and strengthen their faith to continue to follow Him in this challenging time.</p>

19	M O N	<p>Supported Missionaries (1) Kit Ng (Sydney)</p> <p>* Thank God for the opportunity to start meeting up in person, to study and spend time together with students. Nat was invited to one of the study sessions. I learnt that she doesn't believe in Jesus but loved reading the children's Bible and asked many good questions. Pray for Christina to keep sharing Jesus with Nat and pray for Nat's salvation. * Pray for Kit as she synthesized the challenges the students faced after conversion from their non christian parents. * Thank God for weekly prayer meetings with students and using on line cooking classes on different hobbies and interests to reach out to CBM students.</p>
20	T U E	<p>Cantonese Ministries The Cantonese Ministry Committee (CMC) will meet on 25/10 to discuss issues pertaining to the Cantonese ministry. Pray for the Lord's leading and, in particular, planning for next year.</p>
21	W E D	<p>Church-wide Ministry and Direction Thank God that many from CPC have caught the vision to learn to become Christ's disciples. Continue to pray that more will desire to be Christ's disciple for His glory.</p>
22	T H U	<p>Supported Missionaries (2) Jason & Hiwin Tam (Taiwan)</p> <p>* Praise God for Ashar's 5th birthday. Praise God for the availability of health services in providing a physiotherapist to treat him. * Praise God for stretching us and using our family to serve the Taiwanese working class by, pointing people to see Jesus through witnessing our daily living at home.. * Praise God for giving Guohan and his family courage to remove the ancestor worship stuff from their house, and pray for spiritual protection that this short term loss might result in long term change and blessing thus strengthening their faith.</p>
23	F R I	<p>Church-wide Ministry and Direction Faithful Giving - During the current social distancing restrictions, we won't be able to collect cash offertory, which typically accounts for about 35% of our offertory income. Let us pray that our members will remain faithful in their support of His work here at CPC, and that many more will now turn to online offertory (BSB 032-044 Acct 225830).</p>
24	S A T	<p>Cantonese Ministries Given the pandemic situation, it has been decided this year the Christmas Evangelistic Dinner will not go ahead as per previous years. Instead, we hope to do something different for this year. Pray for the Committee which is making plans.</p>
25	S U N	<p>Mandarin Ministries Pray for EMBS students, may the Lord shine upon them and refresh their souls that they may see what they really need in life and come to seek God. Pray that God provides for the student leaders and committee members.</p>
		<p>Supported Missionaries</p>

26	M O N	<p>(3) Murray & Elizabeth Benn (Mongolia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Praise God for allowing church meeting again for fellowship. Pray for their love and keen desire of serving to be rekindled. * Praise God for the faithfulness of long-term missionaries, and pray to raise more people to join serving Him in Mongolia. * Pray for Tumee and Ochko as they experienced God's grace in answered prayers. May they continue growing in maturity. * Pray that the Holy Spirit would soften the hearts of Bayaraa and Ideree, and convict them where necessary, so that they would know the joy and freedom of living in Christ. * Pray for their plan of returning to Sydney.
27	T U E	<p>National Situation According to the Australian Christian Lobby (ACL), strong public support has been shown for prayer to continue in Brisbane's Council meetings. Many signed the ACL petition to the Brisbane City Council which ultimately opposed the call to remove Christian prayer from Council meetings. Please continue to uphold those in authority nationally, for "this is good, and pleases God our Saviour." (1 Tim 2:2-3)</p>
28	W E D	<p>Cantonese Ministries Pray for the preparation of a trial for leaders & their families to attend the worship service physically at church.</p>
29	T H U	<p>Mandarin Ministries Praise the Lord that there were still some new friends contacting us for the Gospel. Pray that their hearts be prepared and opened for the Gospel, so they can get to know Christ and accept Him as their Saviour.</p>
30	F R I	<p>Supported Missionaries (4) Sharon Law (Sydney)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Due to Covid 19, the monthly mission prayer meeting and Bilingual bible study are carried out on line. Praise God there are new comers joining the meetings. Pray for openness and kindness in sharing and supporting each other. * Pray for Mission Mentoring group at Grace Point that they have sensitive ears and open heart to journey with those who have the heart for mission.
31	S A T	<p>Supported Missionaries (5) Patrick & Jennie Fung (Singapore)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Thank God for God's provision on Samuel for scholarship to study at New York University. Pray for his adjustments in new environment. * Recent East Asia Student virtual conference held with 1000 participants and 500 rededicated their lives with willingness to join cross-cultural mission service. * Elaine serves at National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID) in Singapore, now embarking to study Master on Global Health Policy. Pray for strength and joy to study and work to gain challenging and rewarding experiences.