

November 十一月 2020 Prayer Calendar 二零二零年祈禱月曆

"Test me, Lord, and try me, examine my heart and my mind; for I have always been mindful of your unfailing love and have lived in reliance on your faithfulness." (Ps 26:2-3)

"耶和華啊，求你察看我，試驗我，熬煉我的肺腑心腸。因為你的慈愛常在我眼前，我也按你的真理而行。" (詩26:2-3)

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	S U N	Church-wide Ministry and Direction We thank God for confirming the new elders through the ECM in October. While the date of ordination is yet to be decided, please pray that the session will continue to serve faithfully and effectively.
2	M O N	English Ministries Prayer for leaders, youth and children as the regular groups return to programs over the next 2 months.
3	T U E	Cantonese Ministries Pray for first Cancare onsite meeting this year for cancer patients and their carers on 7/11.
4	W E D	Sunday School Pray for arrangements to cater for children as we plan for a limited number of people returning to worship on site.
		Language School

5	THU	Give thanks that the fourth semester has returned to physical teaching since week 2. Everything has been going smoothly, and teachers and students are delighted to see each other.
6	FRI	Church-wide Ministry and Direction Pray for the planning of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services with live streaming and physical components and the fellowship within each congregation.
7	SAT	English Ministries Pray for the search for a youth worker to support our English ministries, CYA, CYA+, Ignite, young workers and 4pm Worship Service.
8	SUN	Supported Missionaries Kit Ng student ministry at Western Sydney Uni needs pray for: Financial needs for 2021 - I need an extra \$433 per week (total of \$22 530) Why do I need to raise an extra \$433? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A few different reasons - some supporters give regularly (75) and some give one-offs, so each year I need to find new supporters to meet the difference. • Some individuals (9) have stopped giving this year. • A church is unsure whether they can continue to support me. • There is a slight increase in the support I need to raise. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your money pays me to work full-time (and you are participating in growing God's kingdom by partnering with me). • The things I do as a staff worker (which you fund) is: I am training an apprentice (who is training others, thereby "multiplying" the kingdom rather than just "adding" to it), running conferences, evangelising non-Christians, discipling students, teaching them the Bible and training them to share their faith, as well as pastorally care for them (This is not
9	MON	Sunday School Thank God for the faithfulness of teachers who have been involved in Zoom meetings to keep in contact with their class.
10	TUE	Language School Pray that God will continue to lead and bless the fourth semester, so that teachers and students can learn safely in their classrooms.
11	WED	Church-wide Ministry and Direction As the COVID-19 restrictions continue to ease, please pray that the session, COM and leaders of different congregations can come up with a feasible and safe roadmap for returning to physical gatherings at church.
12	THU	English Ministries 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.
13	FRI	Mandarin Ministries Pray for the two EMBS students who will graduate and returning to their home town. Pray that God will protect them and guide them, may they continue to walk in Christ every day.
14	SAT	Sunday School 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.

15	S U N	National & International Situations As many as 1 in 5 churches could permanently close as a result of shutdowns stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic, according to research organization Barna Group. Although it is mainly prediction based on data collected over the last few months, many churches that have opened again have had "a lot less people coming."
16	M O N	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.
17	T U E	English Ministries Pray for our Year 12 students and their families as they prepare and sit for exams, in this year of disruption in education.
18	W E D	Mandarin Ministries Pray for the 22 students of the new round of "Life of Christ" course 2020. The new class has already started in October. Ask God to prepare the students' hearts to follow Christ and learn to be His disciples.
19	T H U	Supported Missionaries Pauline Pang * Please pray for God's clear guidance and provision for Dad's best care in the coming months and year and for God to sustain me mentally in this very challenging season of my life. * Please pray for Steven and I that God sustains and grow our marriage relationship even when we are physically apart. * Another new opportunity to serve is helping Stu, a high school chaplain, lead a zoom Bible study for teens every Wednesday after school. I've enjoyed getting to know and interact with the teenagers. I was a bit apprehensive at first but am delighted to be warmly
20	F R I	Cantonese Ministries Pray for the theological students in our midst - Felix Siu, Anthony Tang and Raymond Wong - that they continue to learn and mature spiritually.
21	S A T	Church-wide Ministry and Direction Pray for the Lord to provide suitable pastoral resources to meet the growing needs of the young and elderly members in our midst. Pray also that our members would continue to eagerly support financially the demands of ministries.
22	S U N	Supported Missionaries Benn family in Mongolia * Thanks to those who are already praying about our return to Australia. We have just heard from the Australian Embassy that there is a flight scheduled to fly to Perth on November 17th. This will be the only remaining direct flight to Australia for 2020. There is a small chance that it may transit through Brisbane and we could disembark there – that would be more convenient and cheaper for us, but we'll take whichever option comes. We've put our application in with the Embassy here. Would you please pray with us that we will be within the Australian entry quota limits?
23	M O N	National & International Situations There has been an ongoing conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan over the disputed region of Nagorno-Karabakh inhabited mostly by Armenians. That region has a rich Christian heritage and culture with churches built in the fourth century. According to CHI-Ministries, many churches in Armenia are taking in refugees from the troubled region. Pray for a just, peaceful and workable resolution to this age-old conflict. Pray also for the ability to stand in faith and be comforted by God.
		Cantonese Ministries

24	T U E	Pray for the coordination and participation of this year's "Not Just Another Christmas" event that aims at reaching out to non-Christian families and friends through small group gatherings.
25	W E D	<p>Mandarin Ministries Pray for the future development of the UNSW campus ministry of EMBS. May the Lord help the students in their studies, let them experience and realize that all things are God's work in their daily life.</p>
26	T H U	<p>Supported Missionaries Wayne Tso - FOCUS student ministry at University of Newcastle * Pray that God will help us as a family and in our inner lives to trust him * Pray that we will be graceful parents helpful in leading our boys to Christ * Pray that I will continue to be enamoured by the wonder of God that I might serve him more wholeheartedly * Pray that God would grow me in confidence in the task he has given me to do and not to be tied down by my own insecurities * Thank God that St. Andrews Presbyterian in the City Centre of Newcastle have allowed us to meet in their church for small meetings with students for Bible study! We finally have a quiet place to meet indoors rather than in the elements and in the hustle and bustle of the city at Civic Park. * Please pray for Bronwyn, Katelyn's mother as she continues to battle with cancer. Please pray for healing, guidance and trust in the goodness of God in such times for Katelyn's</p>
27	F R I	<p>National Situation Victoria was the first state to legislate for voluntary assisted dying (VAD) or euthanasia in 2019, while Western Australia is said to introduce a similar scheme in 2021. Now the Queensland government, if re-elected, will do the same. This is a highly debated and controversial issue with far-reaching impacts on the social, physical and spiritual wellbeing for all involved. Pray for open discussions and God's guidance in affirming the</p>
28	S A T	<p>Cantonese Ministries Pray for congregations to attend the worship services or to serve others in related areas, eg. Sunday School. We continue to run a pilot for physical worship service in order to cater for more people and their needs.</p>
29	S U N	<p>Mandarin Ministries Pray for brothers and sisters for their physical needs. May the Lord show His Mercy and heal them, and strengthen their faith to continue to follow Him in this challenging time.</p>
30	M O N	<p>Supported Missionaries Kim Chen in Laos - please pray: * I will be able to help the children with their school work * I'm able to have more contact with local shopkeepers and establish good relationship * Pray I'm able to tell others the good news * Pray our team may work well as one spirit and mind to extend His kingdom.</p>