



ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER BULLETIN  
for the Month of **MARCH 2022**

***“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer” (Romans 12:12).***

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**2 March 2022 Zoom Prayer Meeting, 7.30PM**

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**Welcome:** *“Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need” (Heb 4:16).*

**Opening Hymn: *Take the Name of Jesus with You***

Take the name of Jesus with you,  
Child of sorrow and of woe;  
It will joy and comfort give you,  
Take it then where’er you go.

Oh, the precious name of Jesus,  
How it thrills our souls with joy;  
All the favor of the Father  
In this name we may enjoy,

**Chorus**

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*Precious name! Oh, how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heav’n;  
Precious name! Oh, how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heav’n.*

At the name of Jesus bowing,  
Falling prostrate at His feet,  
Claim His vict’ry over evil  
And the enemy defeat.

**Chorus**

Take the name of Jesus ever,  
As a shield from every snare.  
If temptations round you gather,  
Breathe that holy name in prayer.

**Opening Prayer:** Dcn Tony Puah

**Devotion Message :** *Prayer for Boldness (Acts 4:23-31)*  
By Eld Paul Johnson

**Prayer for Growth:** Sunshine Fellowship (SSF)  
By Eugene Heng

**Prayer Session (Breakout Rooms)**

## **Prayer for Growth**

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### **Sunshine Fellowship (SSF)**

- Pray that our SSF will be a platform for building a living faith for the seniors at ORPC.
  - Pray that God will draw each Sunshiner into a closer fellowship with Him.
  - Pray for the 2nd Session of our Sunshine Fellowship's Book Discussion of Friday 11 March. Pray that this session will help the participants continue trusting God's character and promises in the midst of life's changes.
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## **Prayer for the Church at Large**

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### **Pray for All of Us**

- Pray that we will humble ourselves to seek God's wisdom in all we do and say, so that we will be able to live righteous and holy before Him, and thus glorifying His name through and in us.
- Pray that we will be the salt and light to our nation. May God give us His grace and the courage to seize every opportunity to share the Gospel with the lost.
- Pray for those of us who are struggling with their faith in Christ and whose hope has dimmed, that they will stand firm and persevere in their faith, knowing that Jesus has overcome the world and nothing can separate them from the love of God.
- Pray that our church's leaders and pastoral staff will continue growing spiritually as well, as they walk with Christ while leading their flocks.

### **Membership Class**

Pray that those who are contemplating to be baptised or to confirm their faith in Jesus will procrastinate no further, but to grab this opportunity to learn more about our Christian faith and essential doctrines of Christianity by joining the forthcoming membership class.

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## **Prayer for the World and Singapore**

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The world is in great turmoil, as it has not only to grapple with the pandemic but it has now to grapple with the Russia-Ukraine conflict as well. Only our Almighty God has the power to put an end to this dual crisis. There is an urgency for us to pray fervently for His intervention.

### **Ukraine**

After months of mounting tensions and unsuccessful de-escalation talks, Russia ordered a military operation in Ukraine, and called on the Ukrainian military to lay down their arms. Explosions were heard throughout Ukraine's capital, Kyiv, a city of 3 million people. At the time of writing, it has been reported that more than 198 Ukrainians had been killed in the fighting, with more than 1 000 wounded and 3 children among the dead. However, reliable count to ascertain the number of casualties has been proven difficult.

The scale of suffering in just one relatively small community in eastern Ukraine gave a glimpse of the potential toll nationwide. The Okhtyrka Central District Hospital, located in a city of less than 50 000 people saw doctors treating more than 200 patients, all of them civilians. The hospital was also experiencing a shortage of medicine and other supplies.

### **Pray for:**

#### **The people in Ukraine**

- Peace, and protection from violence and attacks
- Order, and safety for those who are fleeing their cities
- Mercy for the vulnerable and innocent civilians

### **World leaders and governing bodies involved**

- Wisdom and discernment as world leaders make key decisions
- Justice to be restored and upheld
- God will soften and turn hearts towards Him

### **Believers in Ukraine**

- Strength, and hope despite their current circumstances
- Courage, and selflessness to look out for their fellow countrymen and women
- Steadfast faith

### **Singapore**

Infectious disease experts have suggested that the high number of Omicron cases in Singapore indicates that the coronavirus wave due to the variant is likely to peak soon in the country. The daily cases of Omicron in the city have gone beyond 20 000 infections daily and based on the experiences of other countries where Omicron wave has already peaked, a sharp rise in cases usually foreshadows a fall in numbers, signalling the end of a COVID-19 wave. However, future waves are expected, as with other endemic pathogens, as population immunity wanes and new variants emerge. There is a huge strain on the healthcare system as the country is still in transition between fearing the pandemic and accepting it as endemic.

### **Pray for:**

- Reduction in COVID-19 cases in Singapore, and healing of those infected
- Wisdom and resilience, as healthcare workers cope with the overwhelming strain on the healthcare system
- Protection from the virus for the vulnerable and those who are not able to receive the vaccines due to medical conditions
- Singaporeans to continue to be socially responsible, and take safe management measures seriously

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## **Prayer for the Christian Education (CE) Ministry**

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### **Sunday School (SS)**

- Thank God for the children who have newly registered for enrolment into the Sunday school.
- Pray for protection from COVID for the children and co-workers during onsite Sunday school.

### **Youth Ministry**

- Pray for our youths to catch the heartbeat for Christ, to grow towards Christlikeness and give themselves to the disciple-making mandate.
- Pray for our youths to grow in commitment to Christ and one another.

### **SoCM Equipping and Training**

Pray that the Saturday SoCM class on Building the Hearts and Habits of a Disciple-Making Community will encourage and equip our members in their journey with God and one another in ORPC.

### **Biblical Parenting Class**

Pray that God will enrich and empower the parents attending the 12 March's Biblical Parenting Class to raise their children in the fear and wisdom of God.

### **Marriage Preparation Workshop**

Pray that the Marriage Preparation Workshop that starts on 26 March and spread over 3 Saturday afternoons will help the participants build a good Biblical foundation in their marriage. Pray that the

couples teaching, facilitating and mentoring them will be able to build a strong rapport with them and bless them.

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## **Prayer for the Congregational Care (CC) Ministry**

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### **Small Group (SG) Ministry**

Pray that every SG member will study God's Word faithfully, encourage each other to apply God's Word in every part of their lives and reach out with the gospel to the lost.

### **Prayer for Our Brothers and Sisters Who Are Ill or in Grief**

#### *Chan Wah Chong*

Thanksgiving: Wah Chong has recovered well from COVID with no complications. He was transferred back to the nursing home after 10 days at the Alexandra Hospital. Praise the Lord!

#### *Gordon Robinson*

Gordon fell on Wed evening and fractured his left hip. He has been admitted to the SGH. Pray that the blood thinner works well so that he can go for his hip operation.

#### *Patricia Tan*

Pray that God will heal Patricia from COVID. Pray also for a good doctor to do the brain scan on her, as tumours have been detected in her brain.

#### *Adrian Teoh*

Adrian was diagnosed with cancer recently. Pray that God will grant his oncologist wisdom in his treatment of Adrian's cancer. Pray for peace of mind for Adrian and his family.

#### *Harold Tang*

Thanks God for the remission of Mr Tang's prostate cancer. Pray that the Lord will continue to grant him good health. Pray also that he will continue to grow in his faith and in his relationship with God.

#### *Dominic Yeo*

Dominic's father, Mr Yeo Kuei Jean David, went home to be with the Lord on 25 Feb. Pray that God will see Dominic and his family through their period of grief, granting them comfort, strength and peace.

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## **Prayer for the Missions and Evangelism (M&E) Ministry**

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### **Lessons on Assurance**

Pray for many new believers to join this class so that they will understand the fundamentals of their faith. Pray that the class will also equip them to in turn, help their loved ones in their faith.

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## **Prayer for the Worship Ministry**

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- Thank God for all the musicians and AV partners who supported the recording project last 26 Feb. Pray for next recording project on 26 Mar.
- Pray for the Chancel Choir as they resume onsite rehearsal on 3<sup>rd</sup> March in preparation for Sunday morning live music ministry starting 6<sup>th</sup> March.
- Pray for adjustment of choir ministry in compliance with MCCY advisory.
- Pray for the AV partners as they support hybrid worship including the addition of live choir.
- Pray for MMC as they continue to meet via zoom and support worship through home recordings.

*“True prayer is a way of life, not just for use in cases of emergency. Make it a habit, and when the need arises you will be in practice.” - Billy Graham*