



ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER BULLETIN  
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***“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer” (Romans 12:12).***

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**Wednesday, 6 November 2024 Prayer Meeting, 7.30PM, Duman Hall**

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**Welcome:** *Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful (Colossians 4:2).*

**Opening Hymn:** *Each Step I Take*

**Pianist:** Rosita Oskar

*Verse 1*

Each step I take my Savior goes before me,  
And with His loving hand He leads the way.  
And with each breath I whisper "I adore Thee,"  
O, what joy to walk with Him each day.  
Each step I take I know that He will guide me;  
To higher ground He ever leads me on.  
Until some day the last step will be taken,  
Each step I take just leads me closer home.

*Verse 2*

At times I feel my faith begin to waver,  
When up ahead I see a chasm wide.  
It's then I turn and look up to my Savior;  
I am strong when He is by my side.  
Each step I take I know that He will guide me;  
To higher ground He ever leads me on.  
Until some day the last step will be taken,  
Each step I take just leads me closer home.

*Verse 3*

I trust in God, no matter come what may,  
For life eternal is in His hand.  
He holds the key that opens up the way,  
That will lead me to the promised land.  
Each step I take I know that He will guide me;  
To higher ground He ever leads me on.  
Until some day the last step will be taken,  
Each step I take just leads me closer home.

**Opening Prayer** : Pr Herna Kong

**Devotion Message** : *Trusting God Through Transitions and Empowering Our Youth* (Josh. 1:9 and 1 Tim. 4:12)  
By Dcn Timothy Song

**Prayer Focus** : Prayer for Mission (Mission Organisations and Missionaries)  
By Pr Ho Wei Liang

**Prayer Session** : (To Break into Groups)

**Closing Prayer** : Pr Herna Kong

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**Prayer Focus: Mission Organisations and Missionaries**

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- Thank God for our church-supported mission workers (Eld Paul Johnson, Lion Soegiharto, Billy Seah, Fiona Tan, Woon Lee Tzu, and Rebecca Lim). Pray that God will empower them in their work to

impact lives and bring people into the kingdom of God. Pray also for God to provide all their needs, and watch over them and their families.

- Pray for the larger mission work of the Presbyterian Synod in Singapore, both the English Presbytery and Chinese Presbytery, that we may be a faithful corporate witness for Jesus Christ in Singapore and the world through mobilising prayer, and human and financial resources. Pray for the efforts of the Synod Missions Council to achieve an integrated and coordinated approach in mission as a denomination.
- Pray for the work of Christian mission organisations and NGOs around the world to be effective in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ, especially in areas that are considered unreached or least reached. Pray also for the translation work of the Bible to make the gospel available to all peoples.

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### **Prayer for the World & Singapore**

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#### **Global Concerns:**

- Pray for God's will to prevail in the Middle East conflict, and the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Pray for a peaceful end to the conflicts.
- Pray for concerted human efforts to combat climate change that has increased the intensity of heavy rains, flash floods and typhoons, resulting in widespread loss of lives and properties.

#### **Gospel Ministry to the World**

- Pray for the safety and success of our missionaries who work to spread the gospel.
- Pray for the Khik (Wakhi) people in China - Adapted from <http://joshuaproject.net/pray/unreachedoftheday>
  - The Wakhi people live along China's border with Pakistan in the Khunjerab Valley, which means the 'valley of blood'. Small in number, they are inclusive, living in extended families and usually marrying within their clan. The Wakhi people are Shia Muslims who also practise a wide variety of animistic rituals.
  - They are hard to reach because of their remote location. In addition, their religious views do not allow for an essential Saviour.
  - While missionaries were active in the region inhabited by the Wakhi people back in the 1920s and 1930s, no one accepted Christ. Most likely, few members of this people group have ever heard of, much less responded to, the gospel of Christ. While radio and online ministry can be useful, it is more likely that someone will need to go to them to share God's love with them.
  - Pray that this people group will not ignore the good news of salvation announced by the Lord Jesus.
  - Pray for the Wakhi people to have the opportunity to hear the gospel. Pray for the Lord to raise up mission workers who are willing to learn the language and go to this remote area. Pray for the Bible to be translated into the Wakhi language. Ask God for a great harvest of souls among this people group and for a church-planting movement to sweep through their homes and villages.

#### **Singapore**

- Pray for parents and children that they will seek peace and reassurance of God's presence in their preparation for the end-of-year, O- or A-level exams. May they continue to rely on God fully to supply their needs and address their worries.
- Pray for the safety of and God's guidance to families going abroad for the year-end holiday.

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### **Prayer for the Church at Large**

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#### **A&A Project**

- We thank God for the successful signing of the new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Providence Presbyterian Church (PPC), which provides for our cooperation on the current A&A project and the terms of use regarding the church facilities post-A&A project.

- Pray for the continued support of our congregation (as well as that of PPC's) as we move forward in the project. Pray for the unity of all members even as we make necessary adjustments to facilitate the A&A works.
- Pray for God's leading and wisdom as the Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) put pen to paper on the first draft of the detailed design for the A&A project. Pray also for a favourable reply from the relevant authorities as we seek initial approvals for the concept design.
- Pray for the Logistics Team as we plan and engage with all ministry leaders concerning the planning and execution of the move to the temporary office site at YWCA Outram as well as to the temporary worship location at Suntec City Convention Center.
- Pray for the A&A Team as we negotiate the finer points with our counterparts concerning the MDT contract; the Pipe-Organ refurbishment contract; and the tenancy agreement of the temporary office space and worship location.

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

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#### **Bereavement**

- Pray for Eld Alimin Lie, his wife, Dorothy, and their family on the passing of Eld Alimin's mother, the late Mdm Tan Tanuwati, in Jakarta on 17 October.
- Pray for Jeanette Khoo and her family on the passing of Jeanette's husband, the late Dr Goh Teck Chong, on 17 October.
- Pray also for Herlinda Prilsilia, and her son, Brian, on the passing of Herlinda's husband, the late Mr See Khim Kiat, on 31 Oct.
- May God give comfort, assurance and peace to the bereaved families.

#### **Newborns**

Thank God for the bundle of joy that He has given to Wei Yuen and Sheryl on the birth of Noah Chua on 27 Oct and to Weiqi and Weilyn on the birth of Sun Ruiya on 28 Oct.  
 May the Lord bless Baby Noah and Baby Ruiya, and keep them safe and healthy. Pray also for Wei Yuen and Sheryl, and Weiqi and Weilyn that God will grant them wisdom and strength to raise their newborn in the fear of the Lord.

#### **Discipleship Group (DG) Ministry**

- Pray that God will grow our Discipleship Groups (DGs) into faith communities shaped by His Word, love, and grace, where His presence and power will continue to transform our lives.
- Continue to pray that as we complete the final lessons in the *Design For Discipleship (DFD) Series Book 6*, many of our leaders and members will be led to invest their lives in the spiritual good of others that God has brought into their paths.
- Pray for all who joined our DGs this year through the DFD series that they will continue to grow with our DGs. Pray for those who cannot continue to be in a DG that God will keep them and provide them a way to re-join a DG next year.

#### **Visitation**

Pray that God will give the pastoral team wisdom and godly purpose as they deliberate on deriving a pastoral care/visitation plan for the zonal system in our church to be carried out from early next year.

#### **Congregational Fellowship**

- Pray for the opportunity to share God's Word with and to deepen and strengthen the faith of our attendees.
- Pray that God may use this platform as a springboard for the attendees to be involved in a Discipleship Group.

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

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#### **Children Ministry (CM)**

- Thank God for a fruitful SS Committee meeting on 12 Oct.

- Pray for willing hearts to join the Children Ministry.
- Pray for SS teachers to be devoted in studying and preparing the lessons for the children.
- Pray for worship leaders to be able to engage the children and inspire them to worship God with their hearts.

### **Youth Ministry (YM)**

- Pray for the upcoming Youth DG meetings, youth service, fellowship talk, iLoveChristmas event, and youth camp – that the youths will be willing to come and learn more about God and experience His community through fellowship and serving.
- Pray for our youths who are preparing for their exams, that they will be focused; do their best based on what they have prepared; and entrust the outcome of their results to God.
- Thank God that some newcomers (Danielle, Claire, Benjamin, Terence, and Darlene) have integrated well with their peers and are regularly joining us.

### **Young Adults Ministry (YAM)**

- Thank God for the YA Zone Pastor, Ps Herna, as well as Dcn Koh Chuan, YA DG leaders and YA mentors in their commitment to serve the YAs. Pray for wisdom, strength and perseverance for them as well as the Holy Spirit's help to them as they care for the YAs.
- Pray that God will grant wisdom, strength and perseverance to the DG leaders and equip them as they facilitate Bible Study and care for their group members.
- Thank God for the forming of a new DG - YA DG4. Currently, Bryan Hee leads this DG.

### **Leadership Equipping and Training (LET)**

- Praise God that the LET provides a platform for learning together, fellowship, encouragement and sharing for all ORPC leaders.
- Please pray that all who attend the LET will be passionate about intentionally growing in leadership and shepherding skills so as to benefit those they lead.

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

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### **Active Ageing Centre (AAC) Birthday Celebration**

Pray for the speakers, Chow Mei Hua (PPC) for Sarah AAC on 15 Nov, and Fiona Seah for Evergreen Circle AAC (EC) on 21 Nov. Pray for Pang Siok Lim who will be the emcee for both events. Pray that volunteers helping in befriending the seniors will be the hands and feet of God's love. Pray that the seniors, their spouses and helpers will remember the message of God's love for them and eventually come to know Him.

### **iLoveChristmas Gospel Event**

Thank God for bringing ORPC, PPC and PCS together in planning for the 7 December iLoveChristmas gospel event for seniors. Pray for good health for the estimated 550 seniors involved and the gospel message they will be hearing and songs they will be singing/listening to on that day. Pray for the churches to be mobilised to support this event through prayer and action (ushering, packaging of the door gifts or other roles).

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## **Prayer for the Worship Ministry**

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- We thank God for ORPC's 168 years of worshipping Him, serving Him and proclaiming His message to the world around us. Thank God for all the various music ministries as they led us in celebration on 27 October 2024.
- As we approach Christmas, pray for all the preparation, rehearsals, etc. for the various Christmas services. May we as a church proclaim the coming of our Lord and Saviour to the world around us.

“The primary business I must attend to every day is to fellowship with the Lord. The first concern is not how much I might serve the Lord, but how my inner man might be nourished.” -George Muller-