

CHRISTMAS 2022 PRAYER REQUESTS

Before Church

- While driving to church, pray for the safety of those who will be driving to church.
- Seeing the church sign, pray that God will allow others to see the sign and be convicted to come.
- Walking from the car to the front door, pray that everyone will arrive in the right frame of mind with receptive hearts.
- Entering the foyer, pray that everyone who comes will be warmly welcomed. Pray specifically for our greeters and ushers.
- Entering the worship center, pray that God would be glorified and pleased with all of the worship that will soon take place.
- Pray for God's protection upon our facilities and grounds during the weekend.

During Church

- Pray for God to prepare hearts.
- Pray that the congregation will worship in Spirit and truth.
- Pray that the worship team will glorify Christ and be at their best.
- Pray that we will not have any technical difficulties or distractions.
- Pray for the greeters, ushers, and intercessors.
- Pray that God's Word will be fearlessly proclaimed.
- Pray for the pastor to have insights into the needs of his audience.
- Pray that God will give the congregation understanding.
- Pray for people to put the sermon into practice.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will remove a spirit of apathy.
- Pray that the Lord will heal people physically, mentally, and emotionally.
- Pray that the Father will draw unbelievers to Christ.
- Pray that the Lord grants us the privilege and joy of seeing many conversions.

After Church

- Pray for first-time guests to return the following Sunday.
- Pray for relationships that were developed or deepened.
- Pray for the sermon to penetrate the deep fibers of people's hearts.
- Pray for CBC ministries to draw people into caring community.

Prayer for other churches

- Pray the above requests for other local evangelical churches that the Lord brings to mind.

BIBLICAL PRAYERS

1. Pray for Christians

- Pray that we will be filled with compassion and thrust out into the harvest: “Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send [thrust out] out workers into His harvest’” (Matthew 9:36-38).
- Pray that we will be bold: “With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints, and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel” (Ephesians 6:18-19).
- Pray that we will be wise and will have an open door: “Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak. Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person” (Colossians 4:2-6).

2. Pray for pre-Christians

- Pray for the conviction of sin: “And He, when He [the Holy Spirit] comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment” (John 16:8).
- Pray for the realization of pending death: “And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him” (Hebrews 9:27-28).
- Pray for open minds and eyes: “In whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God” (2 Corinthians 4:4).
- Pray for Satan’s power to be broken: “When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own house, his possessions are undisturbed. But when someone stronger than he attacks him and overpowers him, he takes away from him all his armor on which he had relied and distributes his plunder” (Luke 11:21-22).
- Pray for many to be drawn to Christ: “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day” (John 6:44 cf. 12:31-32).
- Pray for many to believe in Christ as Savior: “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life” (John 5:24; cf. 1:12).
- Pray for our new converts to grow in Christ: “Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude” (Colossians 2:6-7)