



ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER BULLETIN  
January 2025

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

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**Tuesday, 7 January 2025 @7.30PM, Dunman Hall**

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**Welcome:** *Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom (Ps. 90:12).*

**Opening Hymn:** *10 000 Reasons*

**Guitarist:** James Soh

*Chorus*

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
O my soul, worship His holy Name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul.  
I'll worship Your holy Name.

*Verse 1*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies  
before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

*Chorus*

*Verse 2*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,  
Your Name is great and Your heart is kind;  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

*Chorus*

*Verse 3*

And on that day when my strength is  
failing,  
The end draws near and my time has  
come;  
Still my soul sings Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

*Chorus (2x)*

- Opening Prayer** : Pr Herna Kong
- Devotion Message** : Harmony in the Family (Rom. 12:10)  
By Pr Lim Chung Wei
- Prayer Session** : (To Break into Groups)
- Closing Prayer** : Pr Herna Kong

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## Prayer for the World & Singapore

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### Global Concerns

- Pray for the families and victims affected by the recent air disasters in Korea, and Azerbaijan. Pray that investigators looking into what caused these 2 plane crashes will be able to accurately determine the causes so that measures can be taken to prevent such mishaps from occurring again in the future.
- Pray for God's will to prevail in the Middle East, and Ukraine/Russia and a peaceful end to the conflicts there.
- Pray for the victims and their families in the incidents of mass violence in Europe and the USA.
- Pray for Christians around the world who are suffering that
  - God will help them endure their trials faithfully
  - God will protect them and their families
  - they will remain strong in their faith and cling to Christ, even though the cost is high
  - they will experience the power and comfort of the Holy Spirit in the midst of their suffering, and
  - they will persevere in their hardship, being filled with the joy of their anticipation of the glorious reward in spending eternity with their Savior.

### Gospel Ministry to the World

- Pray for the Tibetans in China.  
(<https://www.joshuaproject.net/pray/unreachedoftheday/calendar>)  
Nomadic tribes roamed Tibet as early as in the second century before Christ. The clans of Tibet were united around the year 600, and the ancient Tibetan Bon religion (a mixture of magic, divination, demon worship and sacrifices) was blended with Buddhist teachings. Tibet has long been one of the greatest challenges for Christianity. There are no breakthroughs that are strong enough to bring many Tibetans to the throne of grace. Pray that non-believers among this people group will be convinced to follow the Lord.

Pray for workers to sow God's Word in Tibetan soil. There are one or two small Tibetan Christian fellowships in Lhasa. Pray for these believers to grow in Christ, and their ceaseless prayer for their Tibetan friends. Pray for Tibetan Buddhists to increasingly hunger to know a personal God; One who loves them and has sent His son to die for their sin. Pray that these Buddhists will recognise the reality of sin and seek the only Saviour.

### Singapore

- Pray for all of us at ORPC that as we and our families enter the New Year, we will seek God's peace and the reassurance of His presence in our everyday life. May we continue to rely on God fully to provide for our needs and address our concerns.
- Pray for pupils that as the new academic year commences, they will seek and rely on God's wisdom and strength for their journey ahead.
- Pray for our PM Lawrence Wong and government that they will continue to support family values, beliefs, and practices that honour God.

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## Prayer for Our English Presbytery (EP) and Church at Large

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### EP AGM

Pray that the EP AGM on 18 January will run smoothly. Pray for the 15 EP churches that they will continue to work together in unity in the self-governing, self-supporting, and self-witnessing spirit in their preaching of the Christian doctrine, practice of the Christian life, and extension of God's Kingdom on earth.

## **A&A Project**

- Join us to thank God for His leading in and providence for the A&A project. Let us continue to pray for the work that lies ahead of us, especially for the Multi-Disciplinary Team and the Logistics Team as they work on the details of their respective area of responsibility.
- Pray for understanding and readiness on the part of worshippers as we adjust to changes in the way we organize and do things to accommodate the requirements of the project.
- Pray for clarity and wisdom as we negotiate details of various contracts, especially for the office space at YWCA Outram as well as the Suntec Convention Hall for worship services.
- Pray for safety for both the workers as well as our church members as they carry out various detailed survey work, especially when machines are brought in to bore through the ground for soil investigation.

## **Pray for Us (Extract from 70 resolutions of Jonathan Edward)**

### **Overall Life Mission**

Resolved, never to do anything but duty; and then according to Ephesians 6:6-8, do it willingly and cheerfully as unto the Lord, and not to man; "knowing that whatever good thing any man doth, the same shall he receive of the Lord".

### **Good Works**

Resolved, when I think of any theorem in divinity to be solved, immediately to do what I can towards solving it, if circumstances don't hinder.

### **Time Management**

Resolved, to ask myself at the end of every day, week, month and year, wherein I could possibly in any respect have done better.

### **Relationships**

Let there be something of benevolence, in all that I speak.

### **Suffering**

Resolved, after afflictions, to inquire, what I am the better for them, what good I have got by them, and what I might have got by them.

### **Character**

Resolved, if I take delight in it as a gratification of pride, or vanity, or on any such account, immediately to throw it by.

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

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

- Thank God for the fruitful learning and sharing among the participants at the Growth Group Leaders training of 3 Dec 24. Pray that the remaining training sessions will continue to grow the hearts and enhance the skills of the 11 participants.
- Pray for the two new DGs in their study of the DFD Book that is led by Elaine, Wilfred and Gail that God will speak to the group members through His Word.
- Pray for those DGs looking for a meeting place that they will find a suitable one before 1 July 25.
- Pray for God's Word to speak to our DG members as they study the Book of Revelation together in Jan 25.
- Pray that more non-DG members and worshippers will be led by the Holy Spirit to join our DGs for the study of 1 John that starts in Feb 25.

## **Bereavements**

- Please keep Claresta Harlis and her family in prayer on the passing of her husband Stefan Liau. May God be with them as they mourn their loss.
- Pray for Teo Lay Nah and her family on the passing of her sister, Teo Lay Heng. May God give them comfort and assurance during this time of their loss.
- Pray for Wee Li Mian, and his parents, Wee Cheng Lim and June, as well as Li Mian's sister, Hui Mian, on the passing of Li Mian's wife, the late Ms Victoria Puah Shin Le. May God's comfort and assurance be with them as they grieve their loss.

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

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

Thank God for blessing the YAM's Camp that took place recently. Pray that our young adults will continue to grow in their relationships with God and others that are centered in Christ; their self-centeredness will be taken off and replaced with humility, kindness, compassion, patience and gentleness.

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

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- Praise God for the opportunity to work in gospel partnership with Providence Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Community Services in the iLoveChristmas evangelistic event. Thank God for the 33 seniors who indicated their wish to receive Jesus Christ and 85 seniors who expressed their interest in knowing more about the gospel!
- Thank God also for the 2 newcomers who indicated their wish to receive Jesus and 8 others who rededicated their commitment to following Christ in our recent Christmas service. Pray that God will continue to draw them closer to Him day by day.
- Pray for the work of our church in continuing to reach non-believers with the love of Jesus Christ in all areas of life, with our actions and words. Pray for our hearts to be sensitive to God's leading in doing mission and evangelism in new ways even as we step into the new year, that we may be faithful to Christ's Great Commission to us.

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## **Prayer for the Worship Ministry**

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- Praise God for a good Christmas season of services. Thank the Lord for all the people involved in the various Christmas services. Praise God that the message of Christmas was proclaimed at ORPC this past Christmas.
- Pray for all who heard the gospel over the Christmas season. May they respond to what they hear in 2025.
- Pray for all who responded to the gospel over the Christmas period. May they grow in the Lord this year.

The less we read the Word of God, the less we desire to read it, and the less we pray,  
the less we desire to pray. ~ George Muller ~