

ORCHARD ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER BULLETIN

December 2025

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer" (Romans 12:12).

Wednesday, 3 December 2025 @7.30PM, Zoom Prayer Meeting

Welcome: All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us"). Matthew 1:22-23

Opening Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Vocal by Eld Tang Yew Chung

Piano Accompaniment by Susan Tan-Kurniawati

Verse 1 Verse 3

O little town of Bethlehem, How silently, how silently, how still we see thee lie! The wondrous gift is given!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep

The silent stars go by

The blessings of his Heaven.

The silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth

No ear may hear his coming,

The everlasting Light;

But in this world of sin,

The hopes and fears of all the years Where meek souls will receive him still,

Are met in thee tonight.

The dear Christ enters in.

Verse 2 Verse 4

For Christ is born of Mary,
And gathered all above,

Where children pure and happy
Pray to the blessed Child,

While mortals sleep, the angels keep Where misery cries out to thee,

Their watch of wondering love. Son of the mother mild;

O morning stars, together Where charity stands watching Proclaim the holy birth! And faith holds wide the door,

And praises sing to God the King,

The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,

And peace to men on earth.

And Christmas comes once more.

Verse 5

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in,

Be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us,

Our Lord Emmanuel!

Opening Prayer: Kessler Neo

Devotion Message: Hopes and Fears (Matt. 1:22-23, Heb. 4:15-16)

By Pr Herna Kong

Prayer Session: (To Break into Groups)

Fellowship : Main Room Closing Prayer : Kessler Neo

What Should We Pray for the World, Singapore, and Our Church and Her Ministries for 2026?

Prayer is one of the most important ways we can serve God and be part of His redemptive plan. When we pray, we are not just saying words, but we are interceding for people before the throne of the King Himself.

Prayer for the World & Singapore

Global Concerns

Pray for those in Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand who have lost their loved ones to the recent floods; and those in Hong Kong who have lost their loved ones to the recent huge fire that engulfed multiple high-rise buildings, that God will shelter all of them under His wings and provide them with comfort, safety, and restoration.

Gospel Ministry to the World

Pray for

- Open doors for the gospel; boldness for all Christians to share it; and transformation through the gospel.
- Financial provision to support the gospel ministry—mission, church planting, outreach programmes, and the needs of the workers. Pray that God will teach these workers to steward resources faithfully and use them to glorify Him.
- More labourers in the harvest field. May those whom the Lord anoints to preach, teach, and disciple others will do so with passion and commitment to fulfil the Great Commission.
- God to protect His ministers from any harm, discouragement, and spiritual attacks; guard their well-being, and families, so that they can focus on serving Him with strength and joy.
- Unity among workers in the gospel ministry.

Singapore

Pray that Singapore will turn towards God; churches will revive; godly values will be upheld in families; young people are won to Christ; and other nations are blessed by and through Singapore.

The Church at Large

Leaders

- Thank God for our re-elected elders; Eld Alvin Ooi, Eld Derrick Lee, and Eld Gabriel Tan, and our
 elected elder, Eld Samuel Tandijanto. Pray that as they serve, God will continue to keep them
 humble, faithful, diligent, and joyful to manifest Christ's love and care for His people. Pray that
 God will take care of and watch over them and their family as they juggle work, family, and
 ministry.
- Pray that God will raise up more leaders who are men and women after His own heart.
- Pray that our church leaders
 - Will be led by the Holy Spirit in all that they do; and will have the wisdom to follow the path that God sets forth for them and our church.
 - Will be strong; will fear the Lord, and will be righteous so that love, respect and friendships will prevail.
 - Will fix their eyes on God and His leading rather than on things of this world and circumstances around them; will be refreshed by the Holy Spirit; and will be given the strength by God to press on through any difficulty.

Congregation

Pray for

• ORPC to be a community who seek to know God and to make Him known; show God's love to one another, encourage one another to grow in godliness and to persevere in their faith; work together to spread the gospel; and grow the community by reaching out to the lost.

• Our congregation to reach out to those in need, both within and outside our church, showing care; giving spiritual encouragement; and giving practical help to them whenever possible.

A&A Project

- Thank God for Eld Gabriel and his team for their leading in this challenging A&A project. May God continue granting him and his team wisdom, strength, perseverance, and joy.
- Thank God for leading us to the successful appointment of Lum Chang Interiors Pte Ltd to be the main contractor for our A&A project.
- We have now completed our 'Site Handover' to the main contractor. Please pray for the successful completion of the contract work and for the safety of all workers involved in this project.
- Pray for the finalising of the scope of work required as the MDT work with the URA Conservation
 Department; tendering process for the refurbishment of the Sanctuary (to be placed under the
 main contract as 'Nominated Sub-Contractor'; ongoing work of the Offsites Sub-Committee as
 they fine-tune the AV system and the air-conditioning system at the Suntec Convention Hall; and
 ongoing fundraising work for the A&A project.

The Congregational Care (CC) Ministry

Discipleship Group (DG) Ministry

Pray that

- All zone pastors, elders, deacons, DG leaders, and ministry leaders involved in their respective zones will set aside time to support the spiritual growth of and give pastoral care to our members through the DGs.
- DG members will study God's Word faithfully; encourage one another to apply God's Word to every aspect of their lives; and reach out to the lost.

Pray for

- Close fellowship among the pastors, elders, DG leaders, and DG members in all the zones.
- New DGs to be formed; new DG leaders to be raised up; and every DG member to grow in Christ.

Visitation Ministry

- As the Visitation Ministry is a frontline ministry, pray for the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ be on the Visitation Team.
- Pray that as the Visitation Team extends the love of Christ to the visitees, the team members themselves will be blessed as well.

Prayer Meeting Ministry

- Pray that we at ORPC will make prayer our lifeline to God, which is a constant connection with our Father to align us with His will.
- Pray that our 2026's hybrid Monthly Congregational Prayer Meeting will run smoothly both onsite in the YWCA Studio and online for those who are unable to attend it onsite. May God bless us with an increase in the number of prayer warriors.
- Pray that many of us will commit to praying for one another by name every day.
- Pray that DG leaders and DG members will attend our Prayer Meeting and will cultivate both personal and corporate prayers.

The Christian Education (CE) Ministry

Children Ministry (CM)

- Pray for God's continued blessing to, provision for and leading of the committed team of teachers.
 Pray that God will help them see more of their role as not just a teacher, but that of a disciple-making ministry leader.
- Thank God for leading the CM for the whole of 2025, blessing them with committed teachers who serve the Lord faithfully as a united team.

- Pray for a good break for the teachers and children in December to rest and recharge themselves.
 They will join the main worship services in December except for the family worship service on 28 December.
- Pray for the special family service for the parents and children that will take place on 28
 December. The theme of this service is THANKSGIVING. May all the preparations for this service
 go well. Pray that this will be an uplifting and a meaningful service of worship, praise, sharing of
 God's Word, and the recounting of God's mercy and blessing in 2025 with a thankful heart

Youth Ministry (YM)

- Pray for the smooth transition of the 2025's 13-year-olds in the Sunday school to the YM in 2026.
- Pray for our youths to grow in their love for God and for one another, and in their service to His church and the world.
- Please continue to pray for 3 to 4 new youth mentors. Thank God that we are in conversation with 3 potential youth mentors! Pray for the youth core team's ongoing preparation for the youth retreat, as well as their planning for the year 2026.

Young Adults Ministry (YAM)

- Pray for God to work in the hearts of the YAs and give them a clear vision of how they should live (individually and corporately) as they explore what discipleship and disciple-making look like in all aspects of their lives.
- Pray for God to call our YAs to action so that they may do His work in wherever they are; home, neighbourhood, school, workplace or even the world, to proclaim His Word.

Leaders' Equipping and Training (LET)

- Pray that God will enable the LET to equip the leaders to better understand the distinctiveness of our Presbyterian denomination.
- Pray that our leaders will grow in the wisdom of Christ to model God's grace and truth to our members and communities.

The Mission and Evangelism (M&E) Ministry

- Pray for the M&E committee as they plan for 2026; ORPC's outreach, evangelism and overseas missions.
- Praise God and thank Him for the good attendance at the recent birthday celebration for the seniors at the PCS Cedar Tree AAC@Bukit Merah. Thank God for His answering of our prayer for volunteers by providing us with a record number of 17 volunteers who are passionate about helping the elderly as well as the opportunity He gave us to share His love in this simple but meaningful way.

The Worship Ministry

Audio & Video Ministry

- Praise God for the additional volunteers who have joined the AV setup crew. Pray for the team
 formed from the 3 congregations as they continue refining and standardising the setup and
 teardown workflow at Suntec to ensure consistency and efficiency. Pray also that they can set up
 a competent and sustainable AV ministry team at Suntec through ongoing 'on-the-job' training.
- Pray for the preparation for the online service of 7 Dec and for a smooth streaming online. Pray also for the preparations for the carol lessons and 21 Dec's Carol Service.

Ushering Ministry

- Pray that the team of ushers will work together in unity. Pray for more volunteers to serve in the ushering ministry of the PM service.
- Pray for all ushers to persevere during our worship services at Suntec.

Prayer is to the Christian what breath is to life, yet no duty of the Christian is so neglected. R.C. Sproul