

# Weekly Prayer Letter

Week of 21 June 2020

## Time-Out

2 Chronicles 33.12-13

On 7 April 2020, Singapore went into "Circuit Breaker." In one sense, this measure worked -- the number of local transmissions came down after two weeks. But in another sense, it didn't. The total number of cases jumped 70-fold in the same period. Many of us were probably aware of the cramped living conditions in the dormitories but our eyes were not on them. And it turned out to be our biggest nightmare.

God often uses crisis to catch our attention on the things we ought to pay attention to, but did not.

In 2 Chronicles 33, King Manasseh led his countrymen astray (vv. 5-9). As a result, God allowed him to fall into the hands of his enemies and transported to Babylon. In his captivity, Manasseh must have had a lot of quarantine time to do self-reflection, which led to his repentance and restoration (vv. 12-13). What an extraordinary display of divine mercy and grace!

What is God trying to tell you that has been 'noise out' in your normal pre-Circuit Breaker life? Have you been too busy with your career? Have you neglected the weightier things of life? Have you turned a blind eye to things that should have bothered you, such as social injustice?

Our God is a merciful and gracious God. So, don't waste this God-given time-out, do some de-cluttering, make the major things major, God is the Great Restorer.

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## Prayer Pointers for Covid-19

1. Pray that the healing grace of our LORD Jesus Christ will come upon those who are tested positive for the Covid-19 and those who are in the critical stage of the infection. Pray that there will be no recurrence of the "second wave" of the transmission of the virus as many nations in the world have eased off their restrictive measures.
2. Pray that as Singapore eases off some of the Circuit Breaker measures, the people returning to work will follow the new norm of safety procedures in their workplaces, the students returning to schools are able to adapt to the new norm of schooling, and the citizens will continue to stay cautious in the new norm of their daily life.
3. Pray that the LORD will guide the Pastors and Leaders of Faith Methodist Church to make the right decisions when religious gathering is permissible and when activity in church can be resumed by introducing the new norm of procedure for the Sunday worship services and in ministry events.
4. Pray that the LORD will inspire and motivate our Media Communications Team as they work tirelessly to keep the church connected with our members through the live-streaming, the church website, and sending important information on the latest updates on the current Covid-19 situation.
5. Pray that the LORD will strengthen our church maintenance staff who have been keeping the church premises clean, disinfected and sanitized daily; that He will keep them in good health and protect them from being infected by the virus.

## **We Are Here For You!**

- Perhaps you are going through a challenging time, and you need someone to pray with you, our pastoral team is here and ready to journey with you.
- Even though we may not be able to be with you in person, we can still reach you via telephone and other means.
- You may submit any Prayer Requests online via our church website at <https://www.faithmc.sg/care-help/prayer-requests/>.