

Weekly Prayer Letter

Week of 20 September 2020

Be Witnesses For Christ

Luke 2: 22 - 38

Simeon was a righteous and devout Jew. He was prompted by the Holy Spirit to meet the Baby Jesus at the Temple because Joseph and Mary had brought their child to Jerusalem to complete the purification offering as required by the Law of Moses for every first born child to a family. Simeon had been waiting for the coming Messiah as promised by the God of his forefathers. When he saw the Baby Jesus he was overjoyed because God had promised him that he would not die until he saw the Messiah personally. Simeon was satisfied with the divine meeting; his faith in God was rewarded.

Anna was a devout prophetess who had spent her life in praying, fasting and worshipping the Lord in the Temple; waiting for the promised Messiah just like Simeon and God rewarded her with the divine meeting with the Baby Jesus too. Anna, advanced in age, was grateful for the honour.

Both Simeon and Anna met their Messiah in their lifetime, became His witnesses and their testimonies that the salvation of God has come to all people is established throughout the generations. We, who have accepted Jesus as our Saviour, must not stop sharing about Him as the Son of God. We must anticipate His return as prophesied in the Bible so that we may be confident and unashamed to welcome Him. Have you been telling others about who Jesus is to you? Are you prepared to meet Jesus when He comes again?

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Prayer Pointers

1. Praise God for the recently concluded 12th Session of the General Conference (7-11 Sep) and the election of Rev Dr Gordon Wong as the new Bishop of The Methodist Church in Singapore. Please uplift him in prayer for the Lord to pour out His grace on him as he helms The Methodist Church in Singapore in the next quadrennium.
2. Pray that the Lord will grant creative ideas to the Church to embrace the new norm of sharing the Gospel, nurturing of disciples and teaching of the Word during this trying time of the Covid-19 pandemic.
3. Pray that the Lord will bless the government of Singapore with godly ideas and imagination for the next phase of nationhood building despite the current situation of the Covid-19 pandemic.
4. Pray that the Lord will guide all the world leaders to take appropriate actions that will contain the transmission of the Covid-19 in their countries, grant them wisdom to restore the weakening economy and give them a compassionate heart to improve the lives of those living in poverty and suffering due to this pandemic in the world.
5. Pray that the Lord will inspire all the researchers and scientists to develop the vaccine for the Covid-19 and activate the pharmaceutical companies to produce this vaccine in the shortest time for distribution to every part of the world.

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/>.