

Weekly Prayer Letter

Week of 18 October 2020

Let's Follow Christ's Example

Luke 2: 41-52

The Bible does not disclose much about the growing years of Jesus and we do not know the reason for this obscurity. However, from the limited information recorded in the Bible and with the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit, we can see glimpses of Jesus' childhood. Jesus grew in the company of his siblings and friends; he was an apprentice to his father in the carpentry trade; he was "home-schooled" by his parents; he learned the religious laws and the teachings of the Prophets in the synagogue; and his understanding of it at a young age amazed the religious teachers in Jerusalem.

Jesus learned of his identity, his purpose and mission from the Word of God and he lived his life in accordance to what was written of him. Jesus did not exercise his divinity throughout his growing years. Philippians 2:6-7 says Jesus, "who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness." Jesus had an unbroken relationship with God and wholesome fellowship with those who knew him – "he grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man." (Lk 2: 52)

Our Lord Jesus had shown us how to live a fully human life as God intended man to be. Let us rediscover the pattern of Jesus' life and follow his example of humility in order to live a life of obedience for the glory of God.

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Prayer Pointers

1. Pray that all our Faith family members will arise and participate in the "12 Days to Christmas" outreach initiative in One Mission together to reach one more soul for Christ this Christmas season.
2. Pray for the children of Faith during this examination period that they have the wisdom of the Lord in their preparation, be blessed with good health, and will have the right attitude of doing their best for the glory of God.
3. Pray that the Lord will keep all our government leaders from all evil and harm, in good spirit and best of health, united in one common purpose to serve our nation with integrity and a compassionate heart.
4. Pray for good health, energy and divine protection from the Covid-19 for all the medical workers, law enforcement groups, hygiene workers, food delivery teams, hawkers, school teachers and all front-line workers so that they can perform their roles and responsibilities properly to mitigate the risk of infection.
5. Pray for the Lord to reign sovereign and His will be accomplished in the upcoming Presidential elections in the United States of America and that every citizen will vote with wisdom and discretion.

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/>.