

# Weekly Prayer Letter

Week of 1 November 2020

## Prayer - Our Lifeline In Ministry

*Luke 3: 21 - 23*

Jesus began His public ministry at the age of thirty and He came to be baptised by John the Baptist at the River Jordan. Initially John was hesitant to baptize Jesus because He was sinless and there is no need for repentance of sin on His part through the act of baptism. But Jesus' baptism is an act of obedience giving up His will to the Father, a declaration of His Messiahship and an evidence of His identification with humanity. And Jesus prayed as He came out of the water which led to the manifestation of the reality of the Triune God affirming their uniqueness when God the Father spoke, God the Holy Spirit descended upon God the Son.

Prayer is the source that brought a glimpse of heaven to all who were present on that day; that is the Presence of the Godhead at that moment of baptism and it was also a verbal confirmation to John the Baptist that Jesus was the promised Messiah and that the salvation of God was at hand. Jesus began His public ministry with prayer and He prayed before He died. Jesus was a man of prayer and this was His means of contact with His supernatural Father. Prayer was the lifeline of Jesus in His ministry; He prayed before dawn and also deep in the night. If Jesus is our Lord, then we must follow His example to pray consistently, frequently to maintain our relationship with God our Father and also to partner with Him in His kingdom's work.

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## Prayer Pointers

1. Pray that the “**12 Days to Christmas**” outreach initiative in One Mission to reach one more soul for Christ in December will galvanize our Faith family members together to serve for the glory of God.
2. Pray that the Lord will cover **Singapore** with His wings and keep her safe from any threat of war, any terrorist attacks, racial conflicts, cut-off of supply chains and bless her with all resources to overcome this challenging time of the Covid-19 pandemic.
3. Pray for an end to the political rivalry in **Malaysia**; that the politicians will have the interests of their nation before self and for wisdom to handle the resurgence of the Covid-19 cases in the country.
4. Pray that there will be no bloodshed from the confrontation between the government and the people; that an amicable solution can be attained through negotiation bringing about a change in the political condition in **Thailand**.
5. Pray for quick relief aids for the victims of the **flooding in many parts of East, Southeast, and South Asia**; for quick discharge of the flood water; for the quick restoration of utility and infrastructure so that normalcy can be restored quickly.

## 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/>.