



Suggested Prayers - Sunday – 4th of October 2020

1. The Lord's Prayer

Our father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever,

Amen.

2. A prayer for conflicts in this world

Lord, as we continue to hear of protests, persecutions, and conflict across the world, we remember that you are sovereign over every nation.

We particularly pray for countries like Pakistan, the Americas, and the Middle East where there is civil unrest. We entrust to you the different issues of social injustice and economic fallout that currently plague these countries.

Despite these challenges, may your glory be made known. Please help us to be faithful in prayer, especially for your saints in other countries who continue to bring the light of the gospel into a darkened world.

In Jesus' name, Amen

3. A prayer for CMS missionaries Howard and Michelle Newby

God of the nations, we give you great thanks that the gospel is for every tribe, language, people and nation. We thank you for Howard & Michelle and how they are serving the people of the Philippines.

Father, we thank you for your generosity through your people during these hard times. Thank you that the CMS Lasting Hope appeal met its target and that gospel work can continue. We thank you that Katelyn, Joshua and Caleb are settling in to being in Australia, longer than expected.

Father, we pray for Howard as he preaches and records sermons in Tagalog. May this be a great encouragement to his hearers restricted by COVID back in the Philippines. We pray that it would also be helpful language practice for Howard. We pray for Michelle as she leads online Bible studies each week, that this would help grow your people in grace and knowledge as they seek to live for you.

Above all, we pray that you would have mercy on the people of the Philippines and bring many people to yourself through the ministry of Howard and Michelle.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

4. A prayer for godly living amongst us

Heavenly Father, we know that we cannot win our salvation on our own. Our sin and failures are thoroughly polluting, and we cannot escape our bondage to sin. Yet you have intervened!

Thank you for Jesus, who justifies us and turns aside your wrath at our rebellion. Thank you that through him we have been redeemed and esteemed; we have been called righteous.

Now grant to us Lord, we ask, the spirit to think and always do such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may with your help be enabled to live according to your will.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.