



## **Suggested Prayers - Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2020**

### **1. A prayer of thanksgiving**

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for your creation and for all the blessings of this life. We thank you for your goodness and loving-kindness in redeeming us by our Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank you for your grace to us and for the hope of glory. Please give us hearts that appreciate all your mercies to us, that we may be truly thankful.

May we praise you not only with our lips, but also in our lives, serving you in holiness and righteousness. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with You and the Holy Spirit be honour and glory, now and forever,

Amen

### **2. Continued prayers for United States of America Elections**

Lord,

We continue to pray for the elections in America at this time. In the midst of confusion, unrest and uncertainty for the future, please comfort your people as they remember that You alone are the sovereign ruler of the world. Please bless those in power as they seek to come to a solution. May corruption be exposed and may truth guide the president and those in power in all they do. Thank You Lord for bringing everything to pass according to your will and may we remember to pray for our own leaders as they seek to preserve good and punish evil.

In Jesus' name, amen.

### **3. A prayer for Howard and Michelle (CMS Missionaries: Philippines)**

Heavenly Father,

We praise you for your great mercy and grace – that you do not delay your promise, as some understand delay, but are patient, not wanting anyone to perish, but all to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9). Thank you for how you are using Howard, Michelle, Katelyn, Joshua and Caleb to share this good news with the people of the Philippines.

Thank you for looking after the family during their unexpectedly long stay in Australia due to COVID. But thank you that they've also been able to catch up with partner churches, as well as plan for a return to the Philippines early next year. We pray that there would be no issues with passports and other logistics for this return.

We pray that as Howard and Michelle continue to encourage and disciple the saints from a distance, that you would continue to grow your people in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In His name we pray, Amen.

#### **4. A prayer for evangelism**

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for those who've joined us from our local community over the recent months. We pray, as we send out flyers letting people know that our Church is back meeting in person, that even more would come to join us. We know we have such good news to share with them, especially in the context of the coming Christmas season.

Please help us to be bold in inviting our friends and neighbours, and in personally sharing the hope we have in Christ with them. And in your mercy, please use us and this time to bring many to yourself. We pray this for their good and for your glory.

Amen.