



Suggested Prayers - Sunday – 22nd of November 2020

1. A prayer of confession

Be gracious to us our Father for we have sinned against you. We have broken your holy laws in thought, word, and deed.

Please wash away our sin and cleanse us of our guilt. Create in us a clean heart that delights in your true word. Give us the knowledge of our hidden faults, and make soft our calloused hearts that we may again sense the terrible coarseness of our sin.

Grant us courage to care nothing of what people may think so that we may throw off what belongs to this world and our old selves. May we bring our deeds into the light, that we ourselves may live in the light and no longer hide in darkness.

By your mercy may we again be established in the truth of our Saviour and Lord Jesus Christ,

Amen.

2. A prayer for the global economy

Sovereign Lord,

You created all things in this world and everything in it belongs to you. We pray for the global economy and its instability as the world navigates COVID-19. May nations of relative wealth be generous to other struggling nations. Please give wisdom to governments as they maintain their country's economy. May they implement good policies and create healthy partnerships with other nations.

But above all else, may these nations not put their hope in the material things of this world, but put their hope in you. The things of this world are fading away, and all its desires will pass away (1 John 2:17). Please Father, by your spirit, may many come to realise that true and lasting security can only come through your son, Jesus Christ. We long for His return and it is in His name we pray.

Amen.

3. A prayer for Peter and Terry Blowes (CMS Missionaries: Argentina)

Heavenly Father,

God of the nations, we thank you that Jesus is Lord of every nation, and that one day people from every tribe, nation and tongue will be gathered around the throne in heaven singing his praises. We thank you for the work, humility, and passion of so many CMS missionaries who are taking the gospel to the world.

We thank you particularly for Peter and Terry Blowes, serving in Argentina with ABUA, proclaiming the gospel of Jesus to university students. Please give them creativity and perseverance in this challenging period for ministry. Help them think wisely about their people and about the gospel so they may reach many with the good news of Christ. Give them patience, and supporters who will love them richly that they may continue to serve fervently and fruitfully for your glory.

Amen.

4. A prayer for Bexley North 1030am and 430pm

Father in Heaven,

We thank you for the great gift of brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you for our Bexley North 1030 and 430 congregations. Thank you that hubs have been encouraging and that more people are becoming willing to join in person or via Zoom.

Father, we pray for these congregations along with Bexley as the Veitch family leaves at the end of the month. Thank you for a wonderful 10 years of partnership with Jason, Heather, Sarah, Hannah and Eliana. We pray that you would continue to use them mightily for Your kingdom.

As those who have been trained and encouraged in lay leadership take up new responsibilities, please give them wisdom and faithfulness while they work alongside Troy and Mike into 2021. We pray that you would bring about much fruit through these congregations for Your glory.

In Jesus' name, Amen.