[Jesus said,] "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

CHURCHWIDE PRAYER MEETING Week of August 19-25, 2015

MINISTRY CONCERNS

- Sunday, August 23: Pastor Dan Ho will preach in the English and Mandarin Worship Services and Pastor Ed Cheung will preach in the Cantonese Worship Service.
- 2. Pray for Pastor Brian Coday on the following items: A) Thank God that Pastor Brian and Jill have found a home in the Willowbrook area and pray for a smooth move by the beginning of September; B) Wisdom to prioritize issues that need attention at CBC, C) The ability to quickly determine how things "work" at CBC and who the members are.
- 3. Pray for the Church leaders for wisdom and direction.
- 4. Pray for Pastor Dan & Barbara for God's wisdom, direction, strength, and energy as they shepherd CBC.
- 5. Pray that God will grant CBC a united vision.
- 6. Pray that God will help CBC to be a house of prayer as Pastor Dan will continue to lead the weekly Wednesday Night Prayer and Worship Service to resume on September 2. May CBC continue to pray for the church throughout the summer.
- 7. Pray for God to lead and guide the formation of cell groups to be used by God to be good sources of outreach and for God to raise up more host homes. Pray for the current cell groups: 1. Wayne & Luz Gor/Him & Helen Lo; 2. Kam & Priscilla Chan in Sugar Land; 3. Peng Sea & Annie Lee in Katy-Fulshear; 4. Gary & Anna Lee, & Arlene Ligh in Bellaire.
- 8. Pray for God to raise up a person to lead the Sunday School Department.
- 9. Pray for God to raise up more Preschool Praise and Preschool Sunday School teachers, and adult and youth helpers, as well as more teachers and helpers for Children's Worship, Sunday School, and AWANA.
- 10. Medical English/ESL Pray for more doctors studying here from China to come to CBC to learn English from 1:30-3:00 p.m. in the Coffee Bar area.
- 11. Pray for the Thai Baptist Church that meets every Sunday at 2 p.m. in Room 163.
- 12. Pray for Project Orphan Care organized by Barbara Ho. This project will involve five orphanages around the world in Latvia, Volva (an orphanage for the disabled), the Philippines, St. Petersburg Russia, and India (a girls' orphanage). Pray for God to raise up people to assist Barbara in these projects and pray for God's provision for these precious orphans.
- 13. Pray that CBC will be active in sharing our faith (Philemon 6).
- 14. Thank God for providing Helen Lo with a teaching partner for 1st grade Sunday School.
- 15. Pray for all of our CBC high school and college graduates for God's guidance.
- 16. Pray for CBC as we will host a fellowship for the American Chinese Fellowship on Sunday, August 23. Pray for God to raise up helpers to provide good fellowship for these Mandarin-speaking students and professionals and their families from the Medical Center area. Pray also for God to raise up helpers for serving food, recreation, transportation, child/nursery care, and setup of the FLC.

 17. Pray for the Christian Growth Class for 1st through 5th graders led by Ruth Wong from September 13-November 1.
- 18. Thank God that Java Jam 9 was a wonderful success with a lot of good fellowship.
- 19. Pray for all parents and students preparing to return to school.
- 20. Pray for the Annual Nominations and Budget Business Meeting on Sunday, September 20 at 1:15pm.
- 21. Pray for the physical and spiritual needs of certain people.

OUT OF TOWN WORKERS

- 1. Pastor J & J Pray for: 1) Starting a Masters of Ministry program in Myanmar; 2) Their church planters in Laos and India; 3) Their teaching ministry in Nepal; 4) J's preparation for the Hong Kong seminary class and other classes this year in Asia; 5) \$250/month for hiring a full time national to rescue Nepali girls from the Indian sex slave trade.
- 2. Bill and Aida, Ann
- 3. Scott and Cenia Thank God they have a new baby girl born in April. Pray for God's wisdom as they adjust to
- 4. Pastor Wai & Vicki & children, Thank God that He has called them to return to America for a period of time. They will be focusing on their children's development, helping to care for Wai's parents, and Wai has begun as the English Pastor of Katy Christian Community Church.
- 5. J & M Pray for God's wisdom and protection as they serve the foster children/families in Kurdistan, Iraq and as they work to implement a new foster care program by Spring 2017, Lord willing.
- 6. D and P Pray for: 1) D who is teaching at a seminary; 2) Their adoption process for God's timing (may take 1 more

- year), patience and their daughter's health; 3) Their service at the local church.
- 7. Karen and Mitsu and family Pray for their emotions support group, for continued physical and emotional care for the victims from the tsunami of 2011, and for many to come to know Jesus.
- 8. Pray for Debbie and Gracewood for God's provision of jobs, cars, for daily needs for the children and their mothers as Gracewood strives with God's help to keep families together. Pray for God's provision for repairing the homes that were damaged by the flooding on May 25 and for the families affected.
- 9. Pastor Yura and wife Zoiya (in Ukraine) Pray for God's healing for Yura who had a serious fall, and for strength and peace for Zoiya. Pray for God to continue to use them in ministry.
- 10. Margie Randall (director of Loaves and Fishes, a missionary organization in Katy that reaches out to the Bhutanese refugees) Pray for her and all the volunteers to let Jesus' light shine through them. Pray for laborers for the harvest is ripe. Pray for God's provision for all the refugees. For info, go to http://www.loavesfishes.org/.
- 11. J and N Thank God for the birth of their healthy baby girl on July 19. Pray for: 1) Their adjustment to parenthood; 2) Their continued outreach to the lost in SE Asia when they return some time in September.
- 12. Pastor Nate, wife Diana, and children, Christina, Carina, and Edmond Pray for God to provide all their needs to build a new foster home by the summer, to meet the humanitarian needs in Ukraine, and for peace in their city Kharkiv and all across Ukraine (Jer. 29:5-7).
- 13. Vova and Maryna Pray that God will provide for all their needs to plant another church in Latvia so that more young people can be reached for Christ.
- 14. Cris Pray for God to help her raise the resources needed to help the poor children in the Philippines.
- 15. Pastor Nicholai and his wife Pray for their church in Kiev, Ukraine as they raise the funds to complete construction of their new church building.

OUR NATION AND CITY

- 1. Pray for President Obama that God would give him wisdom, protection, and strength to lead.
- 2. Pray that righteousness would prevail in our government at the national, state, and local levels.
- 3. Pray for BJ Ramon, director of UH Baptist Student Ministry (BSM) Pray for God's wisdom as the BSM prepares for ministry in the fall semester.
- 4. Pray for our Governor Greg Abbott and Mayor Annise Parker.
- **5.** Pray for all churches to stand strong as a loving witness for traditional marriage, especially after the US Supreme Court's decision on June 26 to legalize same-sex marriage in all 50 states.
- 6. Pray for God's protection on all law enforcement officers and first responders. A) Pray for God's protection for all officers in Waco as they attempt to protect the public from any more violence from motorcycle gangs. B) Pray for the families of the nine dead motorcycle gang members and for the injured.
- 7. Pray for God to bring repentance and revival to America.
- 8. Continue to pray for God to end abortion in this country.
- 9. Pray that the city of Houston will vote righteously by repealing the 'Equal Rights' ordinance. Pray for the Houston Area Pastors Council for wisdom for their next steps to take.
- 10. Pray for God to end human trafficking.
- 11. Pray for God's peace to reign in the hearts of his people in Ferguson, MO, in New York City, in Madison, WI, North Charleston, SC, in Baltimore, MD, and in Hattiesburg, MS. Pray for the family of Officer Sean Bolton who was killed August 1 in Memphis, TN. Pray that justice will prevail.
- 12. Pray for God to raise up 'forever homes' for the many orphans in the world.

OUR WORLD

- 1. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6).
- 2. Pray for God's peace to reign in His people's hearts in Ukraine during this time of great political unrest. Pray for God's wisdom for the president, Petro Poroshenko, and the government to do the right thing and for a peaceful agreement with Russia. Also, pray that Russia will respect Ukraine's sovereignty and act accordingly. Pray for the orphans at Kind Samaritan Orphanage in Mariupol. Praise God four of the orphan girls accepted Jesus and pray for their spiritual growth. Pray for God's peace to reign in Mariupol. Pray for all of the Ukrainians who have fled from rebel-held cities such as Donetsk and Luhansk. Pray that God will use the NATO forces to protect Ukraine from Russian aggression. Pray that the cease fire that began on 2/15 will lead to peace in Ukraine. Pray for the U.S. paratroopers training the Ukranian battalions beginning April 20 for six months.
- 3. Pray for God to protect the school girls in Nigeria who were kidnapped. Thank God that they have been located and pray for a peaceful release back to the parents. Thank God that one of the girls has escaped and returned to safety. A)

Pray for the African Union which includes Nigeria, Chad, and Niger as it adds soldiers to wage war against Boko Haram, the terrorist group who kidnapped the school girls.

- 4. Pray for God's peace to rule in the hearts of believers in Iraq and Syria, for the Sunni militants of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) to stop attacking cities for selfish gain, and for God to strengthen the Iraqi and Syrian armies to protect the innocent. Thank God for the Kurds and U.S.-led coalition who have ousted Islamic State militants from the Syrian border town of Kobani on January 26. Pray that they will also recapture the many villages around Kobani from these militants. Thank God for the Iraqis retaking Tikrit back from ISIS and pray for God's protection from ISIS. Pray that the local militias and Iraqi government forces will retake Ramadi from ISIS very soon.
- 5. Pray for the safe return of Austin Tice, a journalist (from Houston in Syria) who was captured two years ago.
- 6. Pray for the release of Pastor Saeed Abedini, who has been imprisoned in Iran since September 2012 for his faith in Jesus. Pray for his family in Idaho to endure while he is in prison.
- 7. Mrs. Asia Bibi Pray for God's favor on her as she had her first court hearing on July 22. Pray for God to spare her life from being hanged in Pakistan simply for being a Christian and offering a cup of water to a group of Muslim women. Pray for all persecuted Christians. For more info, go to www.persecution.org for Persecution News of Churches Persecuted & Christian Sufferings.
- 8. Pray for God to end the killing by Islamic terrorists in Pakistan.
- 9. Pray for God's peace and comfort for those killed by Islamic terrorists in France. Pray for God's protection from these terrorists in France.
- 10. Pray for God's peace and comfort for the families of those killed in a warehouse explosion in Tianjin, China. Pray for the authorities to find the missing and for healing for the injured. Pray for wisdom for the government in how to help those affected by the explosion and how to prevent future explosions.

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