

ALL DAY PRAYER
HOLY SATURDAY – 11th APRIL 2020

*²³Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
²⁴See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24 (NIV)*

INTRODUCTION

The Holy Saturday of 11th April 2020 has been set aside as an All-day Prayer. Members are encouraged to come in at any time and spend at least an hour in silence seeking the Lord in reflection and prayer.

The most effective prayers start in faith, not in worry. Begin with personal confession, worship, meditation, reading the Scripture, or praying in your spiritual language, in order to pray from a place of God's rest and peace, seated far above all the worries in the world. (Ephesians 2:6-7) *Taken from Wanda Alger.*

a) SELF

1. In this season of LENT, will you reflect on your spiritual life, give thanks to Him for one thing, confess your one shortcoming, and seek Him for spiritual breakthrough in one area of your life.
2. Pray for yourself for the spirit of wisdom and revelation so that you may know Him better and for the eyes of your heart to be enlightened that leads you to a personal revival in your life. (Ephesians 1:17-18)

b) FAMILY

1. Pray for your family, each member by name, for a desire to grow closer to the Lord and to each other: Pray for the salvation of any unsaved member(s) of your family.
2. If there is any conflict in your family, between you or other members of your family, pray for humility to repent, seek forgiveness so that reconciliation and peace may be restored to that member of the family.
3. Pray for any family in crisis that you know of, be it a crisis between husband and wife, or parents and children, that they will seek the Lord and the wise counsel of the pastors or church leaders.

c) CHURCH

Pray for the following –

1. Three pastors and their families, general and specific needs.
2. Our church staff, general and specific needs.
3. Zone leaders, Cell leaders and Cell interns.
4. Pray for greater commitment and faithfulness from the intercessors to seek His Presence at the Church Prayer Altar for a mighty spiritual breakthrough in our church.
5. Pray for your own Cell Group. At what stage is your Cell Group at – exploration, conflict, community outreach or multiplication? Pray that each member of the Cell Group will ask the Lord to help the group to progress on to the next stage. Pray for the Lord to raise up new interns.
6. Pray for the Sunday School teachers, helpers and children, for the joy of serving the little ones and the Lord Jesus to call the little ones to Him and for the seeds of His Word to be sown into the soil of their hearts.
7. Pray for the youths, youth counsellors and helpers in discipling and mentoring the youths and pray for the Lord to protect their hearts and mind in Christ Jesus.
8. Pray for the members of the Methodist Seniors Fellowship and other senior members, especially for those who stay alone and those in nursing homes.

d) MALAYSIAN CHURCH (taken from TRAC Prayer Guides)

1. Pray for revival in the Malaysian Church and that she will strive for holiness and repentance.
2. Pray for Christians to serve our Lord with proper attitudes, right motives and with godly lifestyles.
3. Pray against – Performance based attitudes. (Luke 10:17-20)
4. Pray against – Seeking others' approval attitudes. (Galatians 1:10)
5. Pray against – Hypocritical attitudes. (Matthew 7:21-23)
6. Pray against – Complaining attitudes. (John 21:20-23)
7. Pray against – Lording over others attitudes. (Matthew 20:25-28)
8. Pray against – Careless or unthoughtful attitudes. (1 Corinthians 3:13-14)
9. Pray against – Legalistic or rule-based attitudes. (Romans 7:6)
10. Pray for Christian to serve in ways that please our Lord Jesus as they follow Him.
11. Serve the Lord with fear; and rejoice with trembling. (Psalms 2:11)
12. Serve humbly. (John 5:14)
13. Serve one another with love. (John 13:14-16)
14. Serve in power of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 1:8)
15. We serve in newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter. (Romans 7:6)

e) NATION

1. Pray for the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, all the Sultans and all those in authority will uphold the Federal Constitution as the supreme law of the country, to live and function within the law of our country.
2. Pray for the Prime Minister, Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, that the Lord will sustain him each day, physically and mentally, giving him wisdom and courage to make the right decisions for the good of the nation and for all Malaysians.
3. Uphold the multiculturalism of our nation that all ethnic groups, the majority and all minorities have a place under the Malaysian sun, and pray against groups and parties that use race, religion and royalty to gain political influence.
4. Pray for wisdom and concerted efforts on the government and health authorities in tackling the spread of the COVID-19. Pray also for all the frontline medical personnel, doctors, nurses, general workers and drivers for protection and well-being, and the patients to recover fully.
5. Pray for the Prime Minister and members of the Economic Action Council for wisdom to come up with strategy and actions to tackle the economic woes as a consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic and the global plunge of oil prices.
6. Pray for the Prime Minister and the entire cabinet ministers will give themselves fully to serve the rakyat with integrity, justice and righteousness.

f) WORLD

1. While we thank God that the COVID-19 pandemic in China is improving, pray for the Lord to intervene in the hotspots all over the world, especially in Italy, Spain, Iran and US.
2. Both the Syrian and Yemeni wars have nearly destroyed both the countries, and besides the hundreds of thousands casualties, millions of residents have been displaced from their homes and a generation of children are at risk from famine and deaths.
 - Pray for divine intervention for the various warring factions to agree to talk peace that will lead to the cessation of the wars and for the residents to return to rebuild the two countries.
3. With the defeat of the Islamic militants and as the armed conflicts in the Middle East ease somewhat, pray that as better conditions return, more displaced Christians would be able to return and rebuild their homes and churches.
4. Pray for the persecuted Christians, pastors, leaders and Christians in China, India and Pakistan, that the Lord will sustain their faith even in the midst of suffering. Pray that they will continue to look to the Lord for courage and deliverance.