

FORREST HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRAYER BULLETIN FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 26th June, 2011

Please endeavour to use the following material *daily* to achieve concentrated congregational prayer; in addition please expand on the daily suggestions with your own prayers and praise, as the Spirit leads you.

NB And when the time for the burning of incense came, all the assembled worshippers were praying outside. Luke 1:10.

REMEMBER: Commence devotions with confession, an appeal for mercy, forgiveness and cleansing and the help of the Holy Spirit with repentance. Tick boxes day by day.

June, 2011

Mon 13 Is New Zealand developing into a pagan and idolatrous society? There are some worrying signs. Pray for increasing strength and advancement for the now relatively small percentage of practising Christians here and that our country will never lose its basic Christian heritage.

Tues 14 Job 4:17 asks: Can a mortal be more righteous than God? Can man be more pure than his Maker? Praise God for His purity and thank Him that in Jesus we, too, can attain the degree of purity that God requires.

Wed 15 Let us never lose sight of the fact that Jesus had a prominent healing ministry. Thank the Lord that He still heals body, mind, or soul, or all three, in His way and time. Pray for those who seek the healing prayers and anointing of our elders, according to the promise in James 5:14-15. Pray for the elders also.

Thur 16 As always, please be in prayer for persecuted Christians, especially converts from Islam. There is a certain satisfaction that some countries fear Christianity, but please pray that they may be convinced there is nothing to fear at all. On the contrary, pray that they will allow religious freedom and experience the real peace that only Jesus can bring.

Fri 17 In a world full of conflicting ideas, we need to know right from wrong. Give thanks for the Spirit of Truth, which comes to us through the study of God's Word.

Sat 18 Missionary Futila Bhutia recently commented that although she sometimes finds her work hard, God is always there to encourage her. Praise God and thank Him that He listens to our prayers for our missionaries.

Sun 19 Morning Service 9.30 and Morning Children's Programme. In the evening Youth Group (REFLECT). Pray for vitality in our worship and that we shall worship in spirit and in truth.

PLEASE TURN OVER

June, 2011 (continued)

- Mon 20 Dinners of Eight are under way and are set to continue in July/August. Pray for good fellowship and an awareness of Christ as the unseen guest on each occasion. Give thanks too for the organizers and hosts, etc.
- Tues 21 Pray for the leaders of our church to be given Godly wisdom at all times, in particular when they must deal with difficult problems. May they continually seek the Lord's influence and direction. Whatever your background, please be in prayer about joining our leadership team. The Holy Spirit will be with you all the way.
- Wed 22 There is still not enough Christian teaching in many of our schools. Pray for those teachers who are able and prepared to share their faith with the students, and praise God for church schools. Pray constantly for all Bible in Schools teachers.
- Thur 23 Through all of life's pain and suffering, God's love remains present. Look for it and praise God, for even Jesus, supreme in God's love, was not spared; yet ultimately His suffering and God's love were positive in the extreme.
- Fri 24 Pray that Satan, who is determined to obstruct the Word of God, will be resisted and obstructed himself, so that the message and love of Christ will flow freely in all situations.
- Sat 25 As God was able to create us in the first place, clearly it is quite within His power for Him to re-create (resurrect) us, as demonstrated in Jesus. Praise Him for this fact of life.
- Sun 26 Morning Communion Service 9.30 and Morning Children's Programme. In the evening Youth Group (REFLECT).
Pray for those leading worship, praise, preaching and teaching.

CHURCH PRAYER

ALMIGHTY FATHER, we commend to Your grace and guidance our Minister and every person in this Church family. Grant to us the spirit of wisdom and insight, the spirit of counsel and might. Use our witness in this area to revive the Church, to open blind eyes, to redeem the lost and to win our people to the love of Christ. Through this Church may Your name be glorified, Your Son be lifted up and your Holy Spirit make His home in every heart - through Jesus Christ our Lord.