

Christ Church Midrand

Prayer Diary

May 2012

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thess 5:16-18

Sun 13 May	Pray for Christianity Explored tonight: for guidance and that the Holy Spirit will give Tian and the table leaders the words to say, and that many from the Easter services will be promoted to know more about the Gospel.
Mon 14 May	Lift up Martin and the leadership team. Hold them in highest regard in love, giving thanks for their stewardship.
Tues 15 May	Pray for continued growth at the Midrand Graduate Institute ministry to students. Pray for Andrew and his team
Wed 16 May	Lift up all women attending the morning reading group and Ladies' Bible Study. Pray for the Lord to reveal himself through his Word. Give thanks for this opportunity to fellowship.
Thurs 17 May	Ascension Day today celebrates bodily rising of Christ to heaven in front of his apostles, 40 days after he was raised from the dead (Easter Sunday). Give thanks for the Holy Spirit, which Jesus promised when He ascended.
Fri 18 May	Give thanks that CCM is striving to obey the call of Jesus when He was taken up, to "be witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)
Sat 19 May	Pray for missionaries all over the world who face hardship and persecution for their faithfulness to the gospel.
Sun 20 May	Pray for all CCM's missions: to Lily of the Valley, Clouds of Hope, and further afield to Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Rwanda and DRC.
Mon 21 May	Pray for the pray-ers! Lift up all who are involved in praying for our church.
Tues 22 May	The Music Team is warming up for the concert later this year; give thanks for their faithfulness to practice and their joyful service to us.

Wed 23 May	Praise God for Growth Groups and the opportunity to fellowship together, to grow in our understanding of God, the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit
Thurs 24 May	Pray that the Men's Breakfast prompted many men to get to know God better through small-group reading sessions.
Fri 25 May	Pray for Cate finalising her preparations as guest speaker at tomorrow's Women's Convention, for divine inspiration and boldness to proclaim the Gospel.
Sat 26 May	The theme of the Gauteng Women's Convention is "Everyday Church for Everyday Women (1 Peter). Invite a lady friend to discover how we can live as aliens and strangers in this world.
Sun 27 May	Today is Pentecost, 50 days after Passover (Lev 23:16), and the 'day of firstfruits.' Praise God for his Son who was his firstfruit given up for us. Consider your firstfruits; present your offerings and service joyfully to further the work of the Gospel.
Mon 28 May	Jesus is faithful and true always. The Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles at Pentecost and is with us now, comforter and friend. Thank God!
Tues 29 May	Give thanks that working men and women in Sandton can attend the City Partnership weekly lunchtime meetings to eat good food and listen to how the Bible applies to their working world.
Wed 30 May	"But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy". 1 Pet: 1:15-16
Thursday 31 May	Ask God to help you to live holy, self-controlled lives; to help you face all situations which test your temper with His overwhelming love and grace.

“PRAYER AND PASTORAL CARE

Prayer chain - The prayer chain is a group of people from Christ Church Midrand who are committed to praying for the needs of those attending CCM. If you would like to join this group, or bring your needs or thanksgiving before the Lord, please contact: Helen: 011 318 2481/ helenl@christchurchmidrand.co.za or Di (after hours): 072 476 9243/di@dMayech.co.za

Prayer - Do you need prayer? You can email requests to: prayer@christchurchmidrand.co.za or make use of the **Prayer Chain** by calling 011 318 2481 or visit the **Prayer Room** after each service on a Sunday. You may also complete the **Prayer Request** form below and put it in the box at the Information Desk.

Pastoral Care - Do you have any pastoral needs? Then send your requests to: pastoralcare@christchurchmidrand.co.za

Date: _____

Request given by: _____

Permission for name to be used: Yes / No

Prayer request for: _____

Permission for name to be used: Yes / No

Request / feedback: _____

Contact details: _____

Is there any practical need that CCM can meet?

Counselling Visit Meals Clothes

Other _____

Office use: Information forwarded Yes / No

Regular Events

Mon	Monthly church council meetings; Newcomers Welcome Evenings; Christ Church Schools meetings.
Tues	Growth Groups; Midrand Graduate Institute student group; music practice; women's reading groups
Wed	Growth Groups; STYLE.com; Women's Reading Group
Thurs	CCM staff meetings; Prepared to Serve training; Men's Reading Group
Fri	Tiny Tots group ; children's and teen's clubs: Tadpoles, IMPACT, FROG
Sat	Children at Risk from Tembisa
Sun	Sunday Services; C-Zone, Teen Church; Men's Recovery Group; DivorceCare; GriefShare support groups.

May Events

Tues 1 May	Today is Workers' day: remember that God chose Joseph the carpenter as the guardian of his only Son. Pray that all workers will find fulfilment in their work and rejoice in work well done, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Wed 2 May	Pray for teachers at our schools, Christ Church Prep, College and Nokuphila; for wisdom, strength and patience during the next term.
Thurs 3 May	Continue to pray for our schools: for all the children, the families represented by the children, the staff, cleaners and groundsman. Pray for God's hand of protection over all.

Fri 4 May	As the children's and youth ministries begin again tonight, pray for all the leaders and give thanks for parents who enable their children to attend.
Sat 5 May	Pray for the Best training initiative, and give thanks for this ministry to uplift those who are unemployed, giving them skills and dignity to work.
Sun 6 May	"Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free." Eph 6:7-8
Mon 7 May	Lift up all those who are seeking work, for God-given opportunities. Pray for the poor and unemployed, for the Lord's provision.
Tues 8 May	Pray for our Mercy Mission, and give thanks for Martha and Eddie who faithfully manage this ministry. Consider how you can help the needy.
Wed 9 May	Remember that there are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. (1 Cor 12:5). Ask God how you can to use your spiritual gifts to serve Him.
Thurs 10 May	Every day is a gift from God. Give thanks for today – and praise his name if it is a special occasion for you or someone you know, and share His love.
Fri 11 May	It's Mother's Day on Sunday. Give thanks to God for our mothers, and our children who make mothers what they are. Pray for all mums at CCM.
Sat 12 May	Today is the inaugural Men's Breakfast. Pray for Martin as he launches this ministry, and for all who attend. Pray for the men in our congregation.