

COMMUNITY *Prayer Guide*



“Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.” Ps.25:6 NIV

November 2025

This month includes Remembrance Day, a time to remember the struggles and sacrifices of past generations, and look ahead with fresh resolve to live in the light of God’s mercy and truth today. Thank you for praying with us!

Body of Christ

- “They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. They still bear fruit in old age.” (Psalm 92:13-14). May all God’s people be like this - firmly rooted, flourishing and fruit-bearing even to old age in the house of the Lord.
- Lead your people to unity in You, moving in obedience to Your leading, for Your glory.
- In Your mercy, bring healing and restoration to relationships that have been strained or fractured due to tensions stemming from the war in the Middle East.

Family

- We pray for families grieving losses, or living with unresolved questions, stemming from the conflict in the Middle East. Lead them to the only One who can wipe away every tear and restore broken hearts.
- God who created the seasons and the changes they bring, help people affected by changes in their life to become resilient, and to grow during that change. Help families likewise become resilient.
- “Teach us to number our days aright, that we may get a heart of wisdom” (Ps. 90:12). Restore in all of us the ability to enjoy one moment at a time, grateful for the present. Help families simply “be”, together.

Media

- God of truth, we pray for Christian journalists. May they know with strong assurance that You have placed them where they are, and that they are loved, known, seen and highly valued by You. 2 Chr 16:9.
- Strengthen faithful journalists and podcasters to respond to criticism with wisdom, humility, grace and truth, that they may continue to be a light in a dark place. John 1:5.
- We bring to your throne of grace journalists who are called to report on traumatic situations. Grant them sensitivity, direct them by Your mercy and truth, and let Your healing waters wash their wounds.

Health Care

- Giver of wisdom and skill, we ask you for sufficient family physicians in our region, and for wise management and adequate funding for the health care system, that all who need care will receive it.
- Holy and kind God, Your eyes see those who may feel bypassed in a system under strain. Give them courage to pursue the care they need, and direct them to capable and compassionate caregivers.
- Righteous God, we thank you for the private member’s Bill C-218 aiming to override current legislation that would allow MAID for mental illness alone starting in 2027. We ask You to speak to the consciences of parliamentarians on this issue, that more innocent blood would not be shed in our land.





Business

- Generous God, thank You for a movement of Christian entrepreneurs in Ottawa who want to see You displayed in their businesses as a God who cares for all people. May this movement continue to grow.
- We pray for all who attended the recent “Faith-Driven Entrepreneur” conference. May they follow Your calling, transforming their community as they walk in faith and serve others through their business.
- Grant business owners grace to serve their team with authenticity and humility. May they be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry (James 1:19 NIV).

Arts, Culture, Sport

- Thank You for the upcoming 9th Hour Theatre production of Babette’s Feast (Nov 6-15). May all involved with this show – cast, crews, volunteers and audience –be deeply impacted by its message of grace.
- We ask You to open up opportunities for Christian practitioners of all artistic disciplines to collaborate on God-glorifying common projects, both in the secular marketplace and in the Christian community.
- God who sets the lonely in families, please grant artists courage and resolve to seek out fellowship and mutual prayer. Lead them into healthy spiritual community, and open up welcoming spaces for them.
- We give thanks for encouragement flowing from the Redblacks Faith Day game, and pray for good fruit from Bible Studies with Ottawa Senators and Ottawa 67s. May many young men put their hope in Jesus.

Police, Fire, EMS

- Mighty God, keep our first responders safe and lead them in decisions that are right and wise.
- We ask for full staffing, and sufficient training resources and facilities, for all first responder sectors.
- Guard the minds of first responders at work and at home. Keep them in your perfect peace (Isaiah 26:3)
- Grant restoration, hope and courage for first responders traumatized by October’s homicides.

Government

- As the City of Ottawa council prepares to vote on its 2026 budget (December 10), we ask for your wise and merciful oversight over the preparation, discussion and voting, for the well-being of our city.
- Mayor Sutcliffe has said that he intends to host a “City of Kindness” symposium. God of compassion, we ask you to remove obstacles to this proposal, oversee the planning, and grant that it bears pleasing fruit.
- Give wisdom to federal decision makers engaged in the Comprehensive Expenditure Review. Establish peace in the hearts of Your people, that they may shine your light to all affected by these changes.
- As public service unions choose representatives to advocate for employee safety and working conditions, please oversee the selection process, that their influence in the bargaining process be for the good of all.

Education

- Holy God, grant an excellent spirit (Daniel 5:12 KJV) to believing educators. Let Your wisdom commend itself through them, and provide opportunities for them to meet for prayer and mutual support.
- 20-30% of post-secondary students reportedly sought help with mental health in 2024-25. Open their eyes to see Jesus as the bringer of peace and joyful purpose, and to find in Him a reason for living.
- We pray for students who feel on the margins for any reason. Lead them to safe places in which they can find a welcome in a Biblical culture of acceptance and encouragement.
- We pray for those in leadership in school boards. Grant them wisdom, humility and integrity to lead well, that Your will may be done.

Thank you for joining many other congregations as we pray for a transformed city!