

COMMUNITY *Prayer Guide*



"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end." Lamentations 3:22 ESV

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We would love to hear your story of answered prayer! By sharing your experience, you awaken fresh faith in others. To share a praise report or an answer to prayer, go to onechurchoneday.ca/praise-form/. Thanks !

Body of Christ

- *God who sets the lonely in families* (Psalm 68:6), we pray for those who are new to the city, that they may find a church family to connect and grow with.
- Thank you for [Friends for Dinner](#). Lead many to open their homes and hearts to international students.
- Show your plans to pastors and leaders preparing for fall and Christmas events and outreach programs.
- May your Body engage fully with You, following Your lead in what You are doing in this season. (*Col 1:18*)

Family

- When *nations are in uproar and kingdoms fall*, lead Your people to *be still and know that You are God* (Psa 46:6,10). May homes be a place of much-needed physical and emotional safety amidst the shaking.
- As families continue to adjust to parents working from the office, grant Your peace and calm (*Jhn 14:27*)
- Guide families with mental health issues to suitable support. Give hope for healing and restoration.
- Grant your peace to those celebrating Thanksgiving amidst loneliness or financial or relational pressures.

Health Care

- *Abba Father* (Rom 8:15), thank you for extra staff in the CHEO Urgent Care Clinic for this fall's flu season.
- We ask for new supportive housing spaces for all who need a place to stay after hospital discharge.
- Sovereign Lord, who *knits us together in our mother's womb* (Ps 139:13), safeguard all pregnant women, and lead them to everything they need for a healthy pregnancy and the raising of their child.
- *Giver of good gifts* (Jas 1:17), thank you for the access we have in Ottawa to high level healthcare (Heart Institute, Neurology, Trauma centre, CHEO, Cancer care, Hospice, Mental Health services).

Media

- Much is at stake in topics covered in the news. *God of grace and truth* (Jhn 1:14), give reporters the ability to stay calm, and the insight they need to relay the facts and illuminate the bigger picture.
- Gracious God, let Your grace guide the ethical decisions made in newsrooms.
- Enable those covering electoral campaigns to provide engaging, insightful, fair-minded, helpful coverage.





Business and Workplace

- Father, as Christian entrepreneurs do business, give them generous, servant hearts like yours (Mat 7:11). May they not only seek their own good but the good of others, contributing to the community at large.
- Help isolated or lonely Christian business owners find opportunities for fellowship and mutual support
- As entrepreneurs try to sort out what they want to do, remind them of their dependency on You (James 4:13-15). Teach them to trust You, submit to You, put their hope in You and get their direction from You.
- *Author of work* (Gen 2:15), we pray for all workers, whether believers or not. May they find satisfaction in doing honest, honorable work and doing it well. Birth in them a desire to honor You in their work.

Arts, Culture, Sport

- Father, keep worship artists focused on Jesus above all the cultural noise and comparison. Free them from distraction, draw them near to You, and give them courage to lead and find their own voice in their worship. May they help others *fix their eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith*. (Heb 12:2)
- Father, may a flood of new students sustain Christian performing arts groups, covering expenses and expanding their reach. Let their communities discover who they are, excited to enroll their children in a God-honouring creative space. *Supply all their needs according to Your riches in Christ Jesus* (Php 4:19).
- We pray for coaches and staff working with children's sports this fall. Give them a Christ-like disposition, with concern, care, compassion, and good teaching skills. Let each child be seen, heard, and celebrated.

Police, Fire, EMS

- Mighty God, safeguard first responders in dangerous situations. Let Your wisdom guide their decisions.
- *Giver of peace* (Phil 4:7), when first responders are required to deal with tragic, traumatic calls, bring healing to their traumatized emotions and thoughts. Help them recover that they may continue to serve.
- We praise You for a reduced number of homicides in Jan--Sept 2026 compared to recent years.
- Sovereign God, with fall elections upcoming for the Ottawa Professional Fire Fighters Association (union), mercifully grant a fair, peaceful process and a good outcome.

Government

- *Holy God*, help believers and all city staff to work well together amidst the municipal electoral campaign.
- *God who brings down and raises up* (Psa 75:7), may candidates and teams entrust the outcome to You.
- Grant humble, competent, god-fearing leadership to our city, and shepherd those who hope to govern. *The LORD takes pleasure in them that fear Him, in those that hope in His mercy* (Psa 147:11).

Education

- Giver of skill, grant wisdom and creativity for support staff as they craft programs to meet student needs.
- In mercy, watch over those in new roles within the school. *Giver of every good gift* (Mat 7:7, Jas 1:17), equip and encourage them as they fulfill their new responsibilities.
- Work in Christian educators and staff, that they may intentionally choose a posture of thankfulness and gratitude, and let this choice impact the culture and atmosphere of their schools. (Psalm 100)
- God who sees, *your eyes are on those who fear You* (Psa 33:18). Watch over post-secondary students. Guide them to connect with other believers and campus Christian ministries, strengthening their faith.