

Revelation 1: 4-6

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Praise and Thanksgiving

- Acknowledge God is Lord of all and sovereign over all the earth.
- Pray prayers of worship and adoration extolling the character and greatness of our God.
- Thank God for His specific grace and mercy in your life.

Our Church

- Pray we would grow in faithfulness to God's word, joyfully doing all He has commanded.
- Pray for a willingness to allow God through his spirit to shape and mold us all to become more and more like Jesus.
- Pray we would grow in number and maturity in Christ. May we grow in our zeal for serving the Lord as we wait for His return.
- Pray that God would guide and prompt us to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together and encourage each other.
- Pray that God would give us opportunities to be a salt and light in our community.
- Pray we would show a growing concern for the unbelievers around us especially in our prayer life.
- Give thanks for the year we have had as a church so far. Pray God would continue to grace us and help us grow.

Special prayer

- Pray for unsaved family members and friends.
- Pray for marriages and families in the church.
- Pray for any brothers/sisters you know that are currently facing difficulties.

Our Ministries

Children's ministry

- Pray for the children in Kids Church to grow in their understanding of God. Pray that the Holy Spirit will soften their hearts to hear the gospel message.
- Pray for the parents that the Holy Spirit may guide them as they teach and guide their children. Pray that God will bless them to have a genuine concern for the salvation of their children and that they will commit to teach their children to love God and live according to His word.
- Pray for the Kids Church leaders to find wisdom and discernment from God as they teach and assist in every class. Pray that they will have joy when sharing the love of Christ with children, and grow in stronger faith as they seek to serve faithfully for God's glory.

Toowong Baptist Teens

- Pray the gospel would change the hearts of the young people. Pray that they would come to a clear understanding of the gospel and how this changes the way they are to live their lives.
- Pray for the hearts of the youth, that God would open them to Himself, and that they come to have a true and personal relationship with Him.
- Pray for the leaders to have energy and enthusiasm for this ministry, to see the gospel made known to the youth. That God would guide them in teaching the gospel faithfully, and encourage them in discouraging moments.

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Community groups

- Give thanks for the community group leaders. May God strengthen them and give them His wisdom and joy as they lead.
- Pray for community group members to grow in maturity and love as we meet together. Ask that God would continue to be at work in us as the groups continue to meet online.

Our Denomination

- Pray for our denomination to be faithful to the word of God

Our Missionaries

- Pray for more missionaries to be sent out both locally and abroad from our church/denomination.
- Pray God would raise up people from TBC to take the gospel to unreached peoples.
- Pray that God's Spirit would stir TBC to become more prayerful for the missions we have in Laos and Du'An.
- Pray for Pastor Sinouane and his family in Laos, that they would keep strong in faith and be protected from persecution from the government
- Pray for Darren and Yun Stone. Pray that God would grant them strength and steadfastness as they continue to minister for Him.

Our Nation

- Pray that our Prime Minister Scott Morrison will be an instrument of truth, compassion and justice. Pray that he will honour God in all he does.
- Pray for all followers of Jesus serving as Members of Parliament. Ask God that He will empower them to stand firm in Biblical convictions, and that they will perform their duties guided by His grace.

- Pray following the Apostle Paul, asking that our government will allow Christians to lead peaceful and quiet lives without persecution, and ask that they will uphold this freedom in all areas of life.
- Pray for the churches of Australia to be repentant before God for our sins, and to look to Him in faith to establish any work we undertake.
- Pray for a revival in Australia. Pray that God would use the recent natural disasters to turn many to Him. May our nation be humble before God and have soft hearts to hear the gospel message.

Our world and the persecuted Church

- Pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters throughout the world especially in the Middle East and North Africa.
- Pray especially for the pastors of churches in persecuted communities, that God would grace them with courage, wisdom and patience.
- Pray for world political and community leaders that they will have God's wisdom as they lead us through the current health crisis and into the future.
- Pray that that God will use this season to bring many to faith and grow us in faith.

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Heavenly Father and loving God,

We praise you for who you are. Worthy are you to receive all glory and honour and power, for you created all things and by your will they exist and were created.

We praise you and thank you in particular for your mercy shown towards us in Jesus Christ. We thank you that in Him you have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. Father thank you for choosing us before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before you and that out of your great love you adopted us to be your sons through the Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank you for the redemption we have through the blood of Jesus. We recognize and confess it took nothing less than your son's shed blood for our trespasses to be forgiven. We are truly sorry Lord for what we have done and that it cost you so much.

But we also rejoice because in accordance with the riches of your grace which you lavished upon us you have washed away our sins forever.

Father may we delight in the salvation you have won for us every day. Lord may you make us a church characterized by our joy in your salvation.

Lord I pray for us as a church that you would grow us in faithfulness Lord. That we would live a life as a church that is pleasing in your sight so you may be honoured and each of us may one day hear 'well done good and faithful servant.'

Grow us Lord in unity, grow us in generosity, grow us in integrity but most of all grow us in faith, hope and love.

Father we long for and look forward to the return of your son. We long for the day when all your promises are finally and fully accomplished. Help us to live lives of godliness and holiness as we await the news heavens and new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Come Lord Jesus come.

In your name we pray Amen.