

Pray, Pray, Pray (16 May 2020)

Dear True Lifers

*Don't stop praying, the Lord is nigh!
Don't stop praying, He'll hear your cry;
God has promised, and He is true,
Don't stop praying, He'll answer you.*

It was good to see many prayer labourers at our church's 1st online weekly prayer meeting last Friday night. We sang the above John Sung chorus "Don't Stop Praying" and meditated on Luke 18:1 where Jesus said, "*men ought always to pray, and not to faint*". We should pray without ceasing and not lose heart especially when times are bad.

Jemima shared how her late father, our founding pastor Timothy Tow, had always encouraged people to "pray, pray, pray" especially in such trying times. She testified of the Lord's goodness and grace in her battle against cancer. She appreciates all who have been praying for her. "*It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.*" (Lam 3:22–24).

We are glad that some of our brethren from overseas were able to join us for prayer. We had Margaretha and Shobastian who testified from Indonesia, Jude Gabales from the Philippines, and Flora (Bee Heng's sister) from UAE. We also heard from Dr Park Seung Kyu our missionary to Tanzania who is now staying at FEBC with his wife and two daughters who are FEBC students.

Dr Jose Lagapa shared about the homegoing of Dr and Mrs Einstine Opiso's daughter BJ (Berean Joshein) whom we had prayed for since January. She had been in a coma all this while since contracting an autoimmune disease. The Lord finally took her home to be with Him last Thursday. Please remember Dr Opiso and his family in prayer during this time of bereavement. If you can help in kind, please do so. Dr Opiso is an engineering professor at Central Mindanao University and heads the Christian fellowship in the University. Pray our brother will be strengthened to heed the Lord's call to full-time service.



*Dr Einstine Opiso (2nd from left) with his wife Josephine holding BJ (photo taken in 2011).
They also have a son Daniel.*

Let us continue to pray together online via Zoom until the Covid-19 suspension is lifted. Do join us for prayer on May 22, 7.45pm. I would like Deborah and Judith to sing this time. Please check the church's Telegram for the Meeting ID, or contact Dn Kay Heem (kayheem@yahoo.com).

Yours affectionately

Pastor Jeffrey Khoo