



Prayers for Global Mission Sunday

Congregational response that may be used after each paragraph.

Leader: At the table of Lord, we gather as the family of God,

People: Give us this day our daily bread, O God that we may share it with the family gathered around your table.

We give thanks for the richness and delight of our multi-ethnic churches and communities. As we have engaged in mission and become part of your global village, we have been transformed into gospel people: open to your Spirit, loving and learning, promoting justice and reconciliation in your name.

Leader: At the table of the Lord ...

We pray for our Asian connections:

We pray for the Church of North India, its leaders and congregations.

As we celebrate over a100 years of work in Jagadhri at the St Thomas School and the Christian Hospital and in other missions, we give thanks to God for the NZ missionaries of this church who have served in India and the wonderful support of individuals and parishes across our nation.

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We pray for the Presbyterian Churches in Korea- the home church for so many of our Kiwi Koreans. May we engage in open hospitality, learning from the strength of devotion and commitment to the gospel of Jesus of our Korean brother and sisters.

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We give thanks for the relationship we have with

the Presbyterian Church of Myanmar. We affirm the courage and faith of these Christians, as a minority religion encountering prejudice, poverty and oppression every day as they witness for Christ. Especially we pray for the empowerment of women and their dreams to become ministers and leaders in the church.

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We pray for the liquid continent that is our Pacific region: may we continue to be blessed through our connections with churches in Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia and by the strength of Pacifica in Aotearoa.

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In particular we pray for...

Kiribati and Tuvalu migrant communities, as rising sea levels mean leaving their island homes: may they find ways to hold to their national identity even as they equip their people to adjust to a new life in NZ. Show us how we can be hospitable and compassionate.

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We pray for Vanuatu and for our partners in mission the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu. We thank you our God for the journey our churches have made together, with a shared history of mission. Now may your Spirit guide the church in Vanuatu to discern how to guide its young people in the conflict between a colonial past and a globalised future.

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We pray for the many international bodies that help us work together for God's kingdom on earth: the Council for World Mission, Christian World Service, the World Council of Churches, the Christian Conference of Asia and the Pacific Conference of Churches.

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Let's now pray for our congregations and the hospitality that we can provide. We give thanks for the challenges that make us more loving, and the rich diversity which strengthens us: we pray for those who serve in mission from our own congregations and the communities in which they work.

We are blessed by so much in this beautiful country of Aotearoa New Zealand;

Help us to act responsibly as citizens of the global community, renew your Spirit of generosity and stewardship in us and encourage our participation and commitment.

Leader: At the table of the Lord ...

We pray in the name of the one who gathers us at his table, our Lord Jesus Christ

Amen