

Prayer Update 1054

Wednesday 26 January 2022

God's Word for this week ... Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart [whole heartedly] –
and do not lean [rely] on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him –
and He will direct your paths [the ways you should go]

Also meditate on the following verses ...

Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you,
I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)

The LORD is my Shepherd, I shall not want... (Psalm 23:1-6)

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" (Luke 17:5-6)

God has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. ... (John 14:27)

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will
of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

The Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things
work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to His
purpose." (Romans 8:27-28)

Therefore comfort [encourage] one another with these words. (1 Thessalonians 4:18)

OMICRON – living with covid

Below are some of the things we can pray about, with regard to covid and its variants, delta
and now omicron. There are many other areas for prayer, too!

Uncertainty, fear – read the verses above; pray, commit your ways to the Lord, and trust
Him. Pray too for many people who are afraid, for a wide number of reasons.

Unemployment – for various reasons some people may no longer be employed, some
businesses have had to close, or work at a reduced rate because of covid. Plus the
uncertainty of who might turn up for work on a given day, or if the business can even open.

Financial help needed for some businesses, and for people who have reduced income, or
no income, because of covid.

Home or MIQ isolations for up to 2 weeks. The difficulties of home isolation for household
members if one person tests positive for omicron and has to home isolate for 14 days.

Effects on individuals, families, churches, gatherings; and hospitality, travel and tourist
industries; and event organisers, etc.

Medical workers who are stressed, and stress on hospitals (capacity of wards, ICU, staff);
MIQ workers, all other covid workers.

Limited meetings, social events. Where and when mandatory mask wearing is required.
Schools, children and teachers; including children under the age of 12.

Other health conditions which adversely affect some people if they are vaccinated; people
with compromised immune systems; and adverse side effects of vaccinations.

Medical treatment which has been deferred because many hospital facilities, services, staff
etc., are testing or treating covid patients.

Prayer – for God's people to cry out to Him – humble themselves, pray, seek God's face;
repent and turn to Him. (2 Chronicles 7:13-14)

Reshaping how/when/where churches, etc., will meet and function in the future.

Government – for advice that is given, and for wise decisions to be made. Financial
decisions. Restrictions on people and businesses. Etc.

Covid – that it will quickly lose its power and effects – pray for people's *increasing*
immunity, and *decreasing effects* of covid.