

A Prayer for Our Church

Kind and loving God,
I pray for our church and its mission to spread your Word,
In our community and in the world.
For those who are growing up,
That we may be their examples of justice, righteousness and love.
For those facing welcome and unwelcome changes,
That they may meet them with hope.
For those who are weak of heart or body,
That they may find strength in you and help from us.
For those with burdens,
That their load may be lightened by grace and our support.
For those who are old and frail,
That they may be sustained by faith and our care.
For those who have joy in their lives,
That they may thank you and share it with us.
For the blessed that they may be a blessing,
In the work of our church and for the sake of our world.
In Christ's name, whose name we take too often for granted.

Amen.

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A Prayer For Our Association

Kind and loving God,
who by Your Spirit inhabits the whole company of the faithful;
graciously guard and protect the work of our
National Association of Congregational Christian Churches.
Shed Your heavenly wisdom and grace upon its leaders;
enlighten them with the knowledge of Your will;
inspire them with pure passion for the good work they do with us,
for the benefit and building up of our congregations.
May good work continue to prevail and grow among those who serve in
our Association's office and on our national leadership team.
As the apostles met in Jerusalem to take counsel for peace and unity
among the early churches,
so may all the meetings of our Association be for the purpose of unity of
spirit.
Let Your peace rule in the hearts of all,
and the law of love govern all that we do as an Association.
And let the true mediator of our work together be Your Son,
and our savior Jesus Christ.

Amen

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