

"LET US REBUILD" - PRAYER GUIDE

We invite you to use this prayer guide each week in preparation for DMC's "**Let us rebuild**" weekend on the **24 & 25 November**. The guide is inspired by the five "**Let us**" invitations in Hebrews 10:19-25. These "**Let us**" exhortations are the appropriate response to what God has done for us, which the writer outlined in the previous chapters. So maybe it would be good to read the earlier chapters if you haven't been able to follow the current sermon series on Sundays.

This prayer guide is made available each week via the bulletin and also on our web page.

28 OCTOBER LET US HOLD FAST TO HOPE!

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful (Heb. 10:23).

For many of us, hope has an economic dimension. We hope for a bonus to pay school fees, or a job to look after family, or a home-loan for a house, or for tithes to balance the church budget. Many become desperately hopeless when jobs and income don't materialise. Perhaps that is why Hebrews later says:

"Don't be controlled by love for money. Be happy with what you have. God has said,

'I will never leave you. I will never desert you'

So we can say boldly,

'The Lord helps me. I will not be afraid'

(Heb. 13:6, c.f. Dt 31:6, Ps. 118.6).

Our hope is always based on God's promises. God's has promised to care for us now and always.

- What promises of God do you hold on to? Pray through Psalm 23. It holds God's promises before us in a beautiful and memorable way.
- How can sharing with others in need be a way of "holding fast to the confession of hope"? (Heb. 13:16). What can you share?
- When was the last time you told someone else about the hope that Christ gives you? (1 Pet. 3:15). Pray for grace to do this more freely.
- Often people praying for DMC have had a picture of a light on a hill; a beacon of hope for the community. Pray that our time together on 24&25 November will lead to growth that makes this vision an ever-increasing reality.