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House of Prayer

My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations. Mark 11:17

Update October 2025

Pray for Rain

***"Ask the LORD for rain in the time of the latter rain. The LORD will make flashing clouds; He will give them showers of rain, grass in the field for everyone."
(Zech.10:1 NKJV)***

As the National Prayer Team was waiting upon the Lord in prayer recently, we believe He gave us 4 different "words" (brief messages) for the FMCIC. One of them was, "I will send rain, the former and the latter". The authors of the Bible often referred to a harvest cycle that included these two types of rain. The former, or early, rain ended the dryness of summer and brought a small harvest of things like nuts and tree fruits to sustain the people until the larger harvest later on. These rains also softened the ground, preparing it for sowing seeds of the greater harvest. The latter, or late, rains were heavier and provided the critical soaking needed for a more substantial crop.



On the Day of Pentecost Peter quoted the prophet Joel to explain what was happening: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams." (Ac. 2:16-17). This was an early outpouring of the Holy Spirit that yielded some 'first fruits' to sustain us but they were not the whole return (2Thes. 2:13; Jm. 1:18).

I believe there is a latter rain of the Spirit that will complete the fulfillment of Joel's prophecy and bring about an even greater harvest than what the first outpouring of the Holy Spirit initiated on the Day of Pentecost. As Joel prophesied: "Be glad, O children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the latter rain, as before. (Joel 2:23)". All the good things that Joel prophesied have not fully come to pass yet. They will come with a final outpouring of the Spirit before Christ returns, giving life to the seeds sown so they will be ready to be brought in to the storehouse of heaven.

This has encouraged me to keep praying for a spiritual downpour in these last days that will bring about a greater return than anything the world has seen. To remind and inspire me to pray for this I have a photo of a great rain cloud pouring out on the land (see photo) as a screen saver. It is becoming more and more obvious to many of us that Canada needs such an outpouring and that is what the FMCIC is praying for. We are seeing some encouraging signs that another worldwide, great awakening may be near. Let us keep praying to the Lord of the harvest for such an outpouring: "Therefore, be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain." (Jm.5:7 NKJV)

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4th Annual FMCIC Week of Prayer and Fasting: January 25 – February 1, 2026

We hope that your church is planning to join with the FMCIC church family as we draw near to the Lord during this time of prayer and fasting. It is a good time to call upon Him for renewal and direction for your local church, for the FMCIC and for the Lord's work around the world this coming year. We are presently discerning the theme the Lord would have us focus on during this time of prayer, and we will be sharing that with you soon, along with devotionals, prayer guides, prayer resources, and schedule of events during this time.

Prayer Requests from Bishop Linda

Today, I'd like to offer a few requests for the Holy Spirit's powerful presence at some upcoming meetings:

October 20-21 FMCIC IN-Person Staff Retreat

October 22-24 Church Health/Planting Coaches and Network Mentors/Leaders in a Shared Retreat

Oct. 31-Nov 3 Better Together Converge, Chiang Mai, Thailand (Paula, Deva, and I will join our new BOA from FMC in Sri Lanka, along with 300 other Asian FM leaders)

November 4 FMC in Sri Lanka BOA meeting, Chiang Mai, Thailand

November 7-8 FMCIC BOA Fall Meeting

As you can see, this is a packed calendar. Pray for those of us who are involved in all of these important gatherings—for health, stamina, and the ANOINTING OF THE LORD so that we discern his voice and submit to his leadership.

I join you in yearning for revival in our land. And in praying the Lord's prayer over the whole, messy world—the world our God loves! "Your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Daily Prayer for Revival at Noon Eastern

Mon. to Sat. for half an hour at 12 noon EDT; 11am CDT; 10am CST/MDT; 9am PDT via Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88532841873?pwd=SEtnSWdSK3FTTC9JUzFlaEpvTHl6Zz09> Passcode:
105833 Meeting ID: 885 3284 1873

Monthly FMCIC National Prayer Meeting

Wed. October 29, for one hour at 7pm EDT; 6pm CDT; 5pm CST/MDT; 4pm PDT Via Zoom:

English speaking:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81605123945?pwd=UUxBNm5FdEdNS3lPamowakdjNE5rdz09>
Passcode: 515693 Meeting ID: 816 0512 3945

French speaking:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/859874336> Code secret: 0 N° de réunion : 859-874-336

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