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Dear Prayer Partners,

In this past period, I found that the whole of Hong Kong is suffering from unprecedented troubles, including the outbreak of the pandemic which has caused financial difficulties and social restrictions, the past amendment bill incident resulting in many arrests (many of them are brothers and sisters in the Lord that we know), panic immigration wave (including believers and pastors), etc. All these urge me to learn from Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, who weeps and prays for himself and the sins of the city. Pray that God's mercy and healing be rested upon our society and our church.

I am also grateful to you all for your continued concern and support for Evangel Seminary. Under the current circumstances, I am truly more convinced of the importance of theological education. Please continue to pray for our Seminary.

Please remember in prayers for the following:

1. Student Enrolment

The Seminary is enrolling students for the new school year, and the application was closed on May 5th; we ask the Lord of the harvest to lead the workers He has called to the seminary to be equipped so as to become His useful instruments for His good work.

2. Sale of Premises

We are still selling the old school campus at Cumberland Road; we pray that God will guide us to sell the property smoothly at the most appropriate time according to His will. I firmly believe that "The LORD will provide" has His best plan for us. In addition to praying for the property sale, we pray that the Lord will let us rely on Him in one heart and experience His deeds and guidance together.

3. Mainland Ministry

Please continue to pray for our participation in the theological education in the Mainland and ask the Lord to give us wisdom and ability to know how to grasp the opportunities given by the Lord in the current circumstances, making good use of the resources He provides, and devoting ourselves to diligently accomplishing His work.

4. Health of Teachers and Students

Please pray for our teachers and students who are suffering from different illness, asking that the grace of the Lord be shown to them. As brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ connected to each other, we learn to love and support one another. Rev. Samuel Lui has been diagnosed with

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nasopharyngeal carcinoma in February and has been receiving about seven weeks of treatment since mid-March. Thirty-three times of electrotherapy and two chemotherapy treatments are about to be completed. Although Rev. Lui recently felt fatigue with weight loss due to lack of appetite and oral inflammation, he was grateful that he could sleep. Mrs. Kun Wai-shan learned of cancer relapse at the beginning of this year and completed three chemotherapy treatments in March. However, recent scan results showed that there were still cancer cells in the body, and there were signs of spreading. We ask for the grace and mercy of the Lord during the coming treatment. Please also remember Ms. Mak Yin-ha and our student, Au Yeung Kai Yee in the graduating class, and other teachers and students who are physically weak in prayers. The Word of God, "a bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not quench" (Matthew 12:20) encourages us to ask our Heavenly Father to strengthen the faith of everyone, to heal all those in need, and to let us experience His presence more.

Finally, please also remember our graduation ceremony held on June 7th this year in prayers. Considering the government's anti-epidemic restrictions for public gatherings, the venue for the graduation ceremony has now moved from Kowloon City Baptist Church back to our Mei Foo campus. The speaker for the ceremony was also changed from Dr. David Pao to our Vice-President Albert Suen. Please also pray for all graduates that they will trust in the Lord and become His faithful servant of this age.

Together we serve in Christ,

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