

# NECF MONTHLY PRAYER BULLETIN

October 2012

## 1. Year of Jubilee

On 16 September 2012, Malaysia entered her *Year of Jubilee*. This period begins from 16 Sept 2012 to 15 Sept 2013. Throughout this period, we call upon the Church to remember and pray for the nation's poor, bound, broken, impaired and oppressed for to experience restoration, liberty and rest as expressed in Luke 4: 18-19.



## 2. Ministers Appreciation Month



October is also *Ministers Appreciation Month*. Ministers – our pastors and leaders – are God's gifts to the Church for the equipping of the saints for ministry. To some, the work of a Minister appears to be glamorous. But unknown to many, behind all the titles and stage action, the work of a Minister can be very challenging and lonely, to the point that it affects their personal, marital and family life. It takes God's grace to serve His people who have many expectations and needs because of their individual personalities. In this month of October, let us remember to pray for our Ministers as well as render kind deeds that can encourage and show them that their labour is appreciated.

## 3. Pray for the States – General Elections

Since July, we have been praying for selected states as Malaysia heads towards the general election. We began with the states to the north and included basic statistical information as a guide for your prayers. This month we are covering the central and southern states. Pray for wisdom, righteousness and a God-fearing spirit for the leaders of these states and for God's sovereign will among the people.



### Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur

Federal Government : Barisan Nasional

Mayor: Ahmad Phesal Talib

Population : 1,627,172

Population breakdown:

46.4 % Muslim

35.7 % Buddhist

8.5 % Hindu

5.8 % Christian

1.1 % Ethnic Chinese Religions

2.0 % Other

0.5 % Non-Religious

### Federal Territory of Putrajaya

Federal Government : Barisan Nasional

Administered by : Perbadanan Putrajaya

President: Aseh Che Mat

Population : 67,964

Population breakdown:

97.4 % Muslim

1.0 % Hindu

0.9 % Christian

0.4 % Buddhist

0.3 % Other

### Selangor Darul Ehsan

Capital : Shah Alam  
Sultan: Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah  
State Government : Pakatan Rakyat  
Menteri Besar : Abdul Khalid Ibrahim  
Population : 5,411,324  
Population breakdown:  
57.9 % Muslim  
24.4 % Buddhist  
11.6 % Hindu  
3.8 % Christian  
0.5 % Ethnic Chinese Religions  
1.4 % Other  
0.4 % Non-Religious

### Negeri Sembilan

Capital : Seremban  
Yang di-Pertuan Besar : Tuanku Muhriz Tuanku Munawir  
State Government : Barisan Nasional  
Menteri Besar : Mohamad Hassan  
Population : 997,071  
Population breakdown:  
60.3 % Muslim  
21.2 % Buddhist  
13.4 % Hindu  
2.4 % Christian  
0.5 % Ethnic Chinese Religions  
1.4 % Other  
0.8 % Non-Religious

### Malacca

Capital : Malacca City  
Yang di-Pertua Negeri : Mohd Khalid Yaakob  
State Government : Barisan Nasional  
Menteri Besar : Mohd Ali Rustam  
Population : 788,706  
Population breakdown:  
61.1 % Muslim  
24.2 % Buddhist  
5.7 % Hindu  
3.0 % Christian  
0.2 % Ethnic Chinese Religions  
0.6 % Other  
0.2 % Non-Religious

### Johor Darul Ta'zim

Capital : Johor Bahru  
Sultan : Sultan Ibrahim Ismail  
State Government : Barisan Nasional  
Menteri Besar : Abdul Ghani Othman  
Population : 788,706  
Population breakdown:  
61.1 % Muslim  
24.2 % Buddhist  
5.7 % Hindu  
3.0 % Christian  
0.2 % Ethnic Chinese Religions  
0.6 % Other  
0.2 % Non-Religious

## 4. Crime Rate

Despite statistics that indicate a drop in crime rate, criminal activities such as snatch theft, burglary, rape and murder continue to occur regularly. This has made our streets and neighbourhoods unsafe places for the community and our families. Let us pray for the safety of our streets and neighbourhoods. Let us pray for the restoration peace and safety. Let us pray for a halt to all criminal activity.



## 5. Young Women's Leadership Workshop

The Women's Commission will be hosting a Young Women's Leadership Workshop on 20 October 2012 at NECF. The registration fee is RM35 per head and their invited guest speaker is Ms Juwita Suwito. Let us pray that many young women will sign up for this workshop. Let us also pray that their lives will be impacted by the speaker's sharing.

