



Songs for the monthly meetings

From the 2024/2025 Guidelines

MONTH 1

Bind us together Lord / Bob Gillman

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
Bind us together with love.**

There is only one God, there is only one King,
There is only one Body, that is why we sing.

Though there are many branches, there is only one vine,
We are one in Christ Jesus, that is why we sing.

One with Christ in His death that, as One, we might rise.
So we are but one people, that is why we sing.

There is only one table, Christ alone is our host.
He invites us together, that is why we sing.

Make me a channel of your peace / Sebastian Temple

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon Lord
And where there is doubt true faith in You

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is despair in life let me bring hope
Where there is darkness only light
And where there's sadness ever joy

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
 So much to be consoled as to console
 To be understood as to understand
 To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
 It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
 It is in giving to all men that we receive
 And in dying that we are born to eternal life

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
 So much to be consoled as to console
 To be understood as to understand
 To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
 Where there's despair in life let me bring hope
 Where there is darkness only light
 And where there's sadness ever joy

He's got the whole world in His hands / Robert Lindon and Willizm Henry

1. He's got the whole world in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
2. He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,
 He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,
 He's got the wind and the rain in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
3. He's got the sun and the moon in His hands,
 He's got the sun and the moon in His hands,
 He's got the sun and the moon in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
4. He's got the little bitty baby in His hands,
 He's got the little bitty baby in His hands,
 He's got the little bitty baby in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
5. He's got you and me Brother in His hands,
 He's got you and me Brother in His hands,
 He's got you and me Brother in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
6. He's got you and me Sister in His hands,
 He's got you and me Sister in His hands,
 He's got you and me Sister in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.
7. He's got everybody here in His hands,
 He's got everybody here in His hands,
 He's got everybody here in His hands,
 He's got the whole world in His hands.

Actions for 'He's Got the Whole World in His Hands'

He's got the whole world in His hands - Make big circle with both arms, then cup hands in front of you as though you are holding the world.

He's got the wind and the rain - For wind, wave hands back and forth like they are blowing. For rain, put both hands high in the air and wiggle fingers as you bring them down to indicate rain.

He's got the little bitty baby - Put arms in front of you like you are holding and rocking a baby in your arms.

He's got you and me brother - Point to a boy then at yourself.

He's got you and me sister - Point to a girl then at yourself.

He's got everybody here - Point at everyone in the room.

MONTH 2

Jabulani Africa (Rejoice Africa) / Lionel Peterson

Jesus, life and hope to heal our land
 Saviour, reaching out with your mighty hand
 Sing for Joy, Oh Africa
 The Lord your God is risen upon you
 Sing for Joy, Oh Africa
 The Lord your God is risen upon you now

Jabulani, jabulani Africa (Jabulani, jabulani Africa)
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 Jesus, river of life to our thirsty land
 Saviour, meeting our need with your mighty hand
 Sing for Joy, Oh Africa
 The Lord your God is risen upon you
 Sing for Joy, Oh Africa
 The Lord your God is risen upon you now

Jabulani, jabulani Africa (Jabulani, jabulani Africa)
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(Although this is an 'African' song each community can sing their own country's name instead of 'Africa' if they wish.)

There's no one, there's no one like Jesus / Patrick Matsikenyiri and Daniel Damon

(In Shona Language) "Hakuna wakaita sa Jesu".

(In Swahili language) "Hakuna Mungu kama wewe".

This popular African Praise Song exists in a number of variations, depending on the country, language, and denominational background of the community singing it. Here are three versions: in Shona, Swahili, and English. **This is a powerful affirmation of Jesus as teacher, leader, and savior. Many communities embody the text by walking around, searching, and turning around.**

Shona:

"Hakuna Wakaita sa Jesu,
 haku hakunaba/hakuchina.

Ndamhanyamhanya kwese kwese,
 Ndatenderera kwese kwese,
 Ndatsvagatsvaga kwese kwese,
 Haku hakunaba/hakuchina."

English (Singing Translation):

"There's no one, there's no one like
 Jesus.
 There's no one, there's no one like him.
 I've walked and walked all over, over.
 I turned and turned all over, over.
 I've searched and searched all over, over.
 There's no one, there's no one like him.

Swahili:

"Hakuna Mungu kama wewe,
 Hakuna na hatakuwepo

Nimetembea kote kote,
 Nimezunguka kote kote,
 Nimetafuta kote kote,
 Hakuna na hatakuwepo."

English (literal translation):

"There is no God like you.
 There isn't, nor will there ever be!
 I've walked everywhere,
 I've circled/turned everywhere,
 I've searched everywhere.
 There isn't, nor will there ever be!"

MONTH 3

Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus / Robert Marcus Cull

Open our eyes Lord,
We want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love Him.

Open our ears Lord,
And help us to listen.
Open our eyes Lord,
We want to see Jesus.

Amen, we praise Your Name, O God / Stephen Molefe

(In Xhosa translation) Amen, siyakadumisa

Xhosa:

Masithi: amen siakudumisa,
Masithi: amen siakudumisa,
Masithi: amen bawo,
amen bawo,
amen siakudumisa.

English:

Sing amen: Amen, we praise Your name, O God.
Sing amen: Amen, we praise Your name, O God.
Sing amen: Amen, amen,
amen, amen,
amen, we praise Your name, O God.

MONTH 4

Away in a manger / William Kirkpatrick

Away in a manger
 No crib for a bed
 The little Lord Jesus
 Lay down His sweet head
 The stars in the sky
 Look down where He lay
 The little Lord Jesus
 Asleep on the hay

 The cattle are lowing
 The poor baby wakes
 But little Lord Jesus
 No crying He makes
 I love Thee, Lord Jesus
 Look down from the sky
 And stay by my side
 'Til morning is nigh

 Be near me, Lord Jesus
 I ask Thee to stay
 Close by me forever
 And love me I pray
 Bless all the dear children
 In Thy tender care
 And take us to heaven
 To live with Thee there

Silent Night, Holy Night

"Silent Night" ("Stille Nacht" in its original German) is one of the most well-known traditional Christmas carols sung around the world. The song was originally a poem written by pastor Joseph Franz Mohr and composed by his friend Franz Xaver Gruber in early 19th century Austria.

Silent night, holy night
 All is calm, all is bright
 Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
 Holy Infant so tender and mild
 Sleep in heavenly peace
 Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night
 Shepherds quake at the sight
 Glories stream from heaven afar
 Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
 Christ the Savior is born
 Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night
 Son of God, love's pure light
 Radiant beams from Thy holy face
 With the dawn of redeeming grace
 Jesus Lord, at Thy birth
 Jesus Lord, at Thy birth

MONTH 5

Change my heart, o God /

Eddie Espinosa

1. Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like you.

Chorus

**You are the Potter,
I am the clay;
Mold me and make me,
This is what I pray.**

2. Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart O God,
may I be like you.

Chorus

3. Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true;
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like you.

I have decided to follow Jesus /

Simon Kara Marak

1. I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.

2. Tho' none go with me, I still will
follow,
Tho' none go with me I still will
follow,
Tho' none go with me, I still will
follow;
No turning back, no turning back.

3. My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus;
My cross I'll carry till I see Jesus,
My cross I'll carry till I see Jesus;
No turning back, No turning back.

4. The world behind me, the cross
before me,
The world behind me, the cross
before me;
The world behind me, the cross
before me;
No turning back, no turning back.

MONTH 6

Walk in the Light (Also known as The Spirit Lives”) / Damien Lundy

The Spirit lives to set us free,
walk, walk in the light;
He binds us all in unity,
walk, walk in the light.

***Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light of the Lord.***

Jesus promised life to all,
walk, walk in the light;
the dead were wakened by His call,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light....

He died in pain on Calvary,
walk, walk in the light;
to save the lost like you and me,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light....

We know His death was not the end,
walk, walk in the light;
He gave His Spirit to be our friend,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light....

By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,
walk, walk in the light;
the Father's kindness is revealed,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light....

The Spirit lives in you and me,
walk, walk in the light;
His light will shine for all to see,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light....

Faith and Light Song / Faith and Light

Join the boat of Faith and Light
Hallelujah
We are one in God's sight
Hallelujah

Come along and take your place
Hallelujah
For everyone there is a space
Hallelujah

The Holy Spirit has set the course
Hallelujah
Jesus Christ the driving force
Hallelujah

We have come from far and near
Hallelujah
Faith and Light must grow from here
Hallelujah

Join the boat of Faith and Light
Hallelujah
We are one in God's sight
Hallelujah

MONTH 7

Father make us one / Floyd Mc Clung

Father, Make Us One,
Father, Make Us One,
That the world may trust in your love
Father, make us one

Father I adore you / Terrye Coelho Strom

Father I adore You,
Lay my life before You,
How I love You.

Jesus I adore You,
Lay my life before You
How I love You.

Spirit I adore You
Lay my life before You
How I love You.

Precious Lord I adore You
Lay my life before You
How I love You.

Oh Lord, hear my prayer / Taizé community, tune by Jacques Berthier

Oh Lord, hear my prayer,
Oh Lord, hear my prayer,
When I call, answer me,

Oh Lord hear my prayer,
Oh Lord hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.

Repeat the above verses twice or as many times as you like.

MONTH 8

Be still and know that I am God / John L. Bell

Be still and know that I am God,
 Be still and know that I am God,
 Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee,
 I am the Lord that healeth thee,
 I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee O Lord, do I put my trust,
 In thee O Lord, do I put my trust,
 In thee O Lord, do I put my trust.

Osanna (Hosanna) / Carl Tuttle

English

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the
 highest!

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the
 highest!

WE lift up Your Name,
 With hearts full of praise.
 Be exalted, o Lord, our God,
 Hosanna in the highest!

Italian

Osanna, Osanna, Osanna al l'Altissimo!

Osanna, Osanna, Osanna al l'Altissimo!

Innalziamo il Tuo Nom

Con le lodi nel cuor,

Ti esaltiamo Signore Iddio

Osanna al l'Altissimo!

French

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna au plus haut des
 cieux!

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 cieux!

Nous célébrons ton nom,
 D'un Coeur reconnaissant,
 Tu es le Seigneur glorieux,
 Hosanna au plus haut des cieux!

Polish

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna Bogun a niebie!

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna Bogun a niebie!

Wywyższamy Imie Twe,

Calym sercem madlac sie

Uwielbiany Ciecie Panie

Hosanna Bogun a niebie!

MONTH 9

We are one in the Spirit / Fr Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity,
May one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, By our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians,
By our love.

We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news,
That God is in our land.

We will work with each other,
we will work side by side,
We will work with each other,
we will work side by side,
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride:

All praise to the Father,
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only son
And all praise to the Spirit, Who makes us one.

Make us one, Lord!
Make us one, Lord!

Faith and Light Community Song / Faith and Light

English:

1. It's me, it's me, it's me that makes community **(x3)**
It's me that builds community
Oh, Oh, **Oh.....**

**Chorus : Roll out over the ocean, Rollout over the sea,
Go and do your part to build community (x2)**

2. It's you...
3. It's us...
4. It's Love...
5. It's Christ...

French:

1. Par moi, par moi, par moi vit la communauté **(x3)**
Par moi, par moi, par moi vit la communauté
Oh, Oh, **Oh.....**

**Refrain : Par delà les frontières, par delà les mers
Va et bâtis la communauté (x2)**

2. Par toi...
3. Par nous...
4. Par l'amour...
5. Par Jésus...

Spanish

1. Soy yo, soy yo, quien hace la comunidad **(x3)**
Quien hace la comunidad...
Oh, Oh, **Oh.....**

**Surcando los mares será aquí o allá
En todo lugar, hago comunidad (x2)**

2. Y tu... que haces la comunidad
Nosotros... que hacemos la comunidad
Es Dios... qui hace la comunidad
Jesús... qui hace la comunidad

MONTH 10

I'm in the Lord's Army (with gestures) / Roland St John Hanneman

I may never March in the Infantry
 Ride in the Cavalry
 Shoot the Artillery
 I may never Fly o'er the Enemy
BUT I'M IN THE LORD'S ARMY!

I'M IN THE LORD'S ARMY!

I'M IN THE LORD'S ARMY!
YES SIR!

I'M IN THE LORD'S ARMY!
YES SIR!

I may never March in the Infantry
 Ride in the Cavalry
 Shoot the Artillery
 I may never Fly o'er the Enemy
BUT I'M IN THE LORD'S ARMY!

Actions for "I'm in the Lord's Army"

**This is a FUN song, sung to a marching pace so the actions are quite quick.
Everyone must stand up!**

"March in the Infantry" – everyone march!

"Ride in the Cavalry" – Hold out hands in front like holding a horse's reins.

"Shoot the Artillery" – Point up the left or right arm in the air like shooting a BIG gun.

"Fly o'er the Enemy" – Hold out arms like wings and fly around.

"But I'm in the Lord's Army" – Stand to attention.

"Yes Sir" – Salute with your right hand.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord (with gestures) / Clinton Utterbach

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
 Blessed be the name of the Lord,
 Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
 Blessed be the name of the Lord,
 Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

The Name of the Lord is a strong tower,
 The righteous run into it and they are saved.

The Name of the Lord is a strong tower,
 The righteous run into it and they are saved.

Holy is the Name of the Lord,
 Holy is the Name of the Lord,
 Holy is the Name of the Lord most high.

Some actions for “Blessed is the Name Of the Lord”

This is a song that is sung quite fast, so the actions are quite quick. Enjoy!

Actions for the verse: “The Name of the Lord is a strong tower”

Singing “STRONG” - arms up at the side with clenched hands (fists) up higher - like a an ‘L’.

Singing “TOWER” - extend the arms above the head with tips of fingers touching – like a roof.

The above two actions go together – Strong and Tower – You have to be quick!

Singing “RUN INTO IT” - run on the spot.

Singing “SAVED” - arms upright with hands waving.

MONTH 11

All things bright and Beautiful / Cecil Francis Alexander, Edwin George Monk

All things bright and beautiful
All creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful
'Twas God that made them all

Each little flower that opens
Each little bird that sings
He made their glowing colors
And made their tiny wings

Chorus:

***All things bright and beautiful
All creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful
'Twas God that made them all***

The purple headed mountains
The rivers running by
The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky

Chorus: *All things bright and beautiful...*

The cold wind in the winter
The pleasant summer sun
The ripe fruits in the garden
He made them every one

Chorus: *All things bright and beautiful...*

He gave us eyes to see them
And lips that we might tell
How great is the Almighty
Who has made all things well

Chorus: *All things bright and beautiful...*

I've got Peace like a River / Marvin Frey

I've got peace like a river
 I've got peace like a river
 I've got peace like a river in my soul
 I've got peace like a river
 I've got peace like a river
 I've got peace like a river in my soul

I've got love like an ocean
 I've got love like an ocean
 I've got love like an ocean in my soul
 I've got love like an ocean
 I've got love like an ocean
 I've got love like an ocean in my soul

I've got joy like a fountain
 I've got joy like a fountain
 I've got joy like a fountain in my soul
 I've got joy like a fountain
 I've got joy like a fountain
 I've got joy like a fountain in my soul

I've got peace, love and joy like a river
 I've got peace, love and joy like a river
 I've got peace, love and joy like a river in my soul
 I've got peace, love and joy like a river
 I've got peace, love and joy like a river
 I've got peace, love and joy like a river in my soul

Actions for "I've got peace like a river"

This song is sung at a medium pace but the actions are quite quick – particularly in the last verse – so it's good fun to sing it through twice!!

'peace' – 2 fingers held up (NB: Palm towards the front!).

'river' – one hand horizontal in front of you, flowing up and down from one side to the other.

'soul' – lift up one leg behind you and touch the sole of your shoe.

'love' – both hands over the heart.

'ocean' – arms going round in front of you in Big circles.

'joy' – both arms up waving hands in the air.

'fountain' – One arm in front, pointing like a spout – lift up the opposite leg behind you.

NB: Every time one of the words above are sung you MUST do the action for it!!!!

Have fun – especially in the last verse!!!!

MONTH 12

Celebrate Faith and Light in Every Land / Kirt Bromley (Song of the 50th Anniversary of Faith and Light)

English:

**Come and dance, come and sing,
Come share the joy we bring.
Come and dance, take my hand
Celebrate in every land!**

1. Look at me, what a sight!
Share the joy of Faith and Light!
Look at me, sing a song
“Love to others” is our song!
2. Look at me, see my skin,
See the God who dwells there in.
Look at me, see my face
Come together and embrace!

French:

**Viens danser avec moi,
Je viens partager ma joie.
Viens Chanter c’est la fête,
Tout autour de la planète.**

1. Me voilà, nous sommes frères,
Au sein de Foi et Lumière.
Me voilà pour montrer,
Que pour vivre il faut aimer.
2. Me voilà, ma personne,
En elle c’est Dieu qui se donne,
Me voilà, mon visage,
Viens comprendre mon message.

3. Me voilà sur ma route,
C'est le bonheur que je goûte.
Me voilà sur la terre,
Pour incarner un mystère.
3. Look at me, see my heart,
God and I will never part.
Look at me, see my hand,
Helping others to rise and stand!
4. Look at me, see my pain,
Trust in God to rise again.
Look at me, see my smile,
Wider, wider, that's the style!
5. Look at me, see me go,
Reaching high and reaching low.
Look at me, see the Earth,
Helping nature to give birth!

Spanish:

**Ven a cantar y a compartir
la alegría de vivir,
Vamos juntos a bailar,
todo el mundo a celebrar.**

1. Mirame icuante luz!
Es el gozo de Fe y Luz.
Mira y canta mi canción,
Ama a todos es el son.
2. Mirame. Con amor.
Dios habita en mi interior
Mira y échame un vistazo y únete a
Este gran abrazo.
3. Mira a corazón,
Nunca se aleja de Dios.
Mira y tómame las manos,
Que ayudan a levantarnos

Let there be love shared among us / Dave Bilborough

Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love in our eyes,
May now Your love sweep this nation.
Cause us oh Lord to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding
Of brotherly love that is real,
Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love.

Let there be hope shared among us,
Let there be hope in our eyes,
May now Your hope sweep this nation.
Cause us oh Lord to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding
Of brotherly love that is real,
Let there be hope shared among us,
Let there be hope.

Let there be joy shared among us,
Let there be joy in our eyes,
May now Your joy sweep this nation.
Cause us oh Lord to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding
Of brotherly love that is real,
Let there be joy shared among us,
Let there be joy.

While singing this lovely and prayerful song, let everyone sit or stand in a circle holding hands or with arms around each other. In this way the words will have a special meaning.
