



Thank you for praying for and with MCF. We hope this prayer calendar assists you to pray for Defence related issues. The calendar includes international and national prayer concerns and those of MCF groups in Australia and other nations, and other Christian Military Ministries.

¹³ Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. ¹⁴ Do everything in love.

1 Cor 16:13-14 (NIV)

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- ✝ Pray for the ongoing suppression of Coronavirus in Australia. Thank God for the recent reduction in daily infection numbers in Victoria. Pray for ongoing vigilance on behalf of all Australians, and for the management of outbreaks as they occur. Pray for all those on the front lines in healthcare settings and in support doing contact tracing and other tasks.
- ✝ Following National Science Week, pray that more students would consider studying Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM). Pray that Defence would use STEM skills to gain an advantage over our adversaries. STEM is considered to be critical for the future workforce, especially in Defence. Pray also that those who appreciate the advancements of science would consider the evidence for God and the resurrection of Jesus, and understand that the science-faith conflict hypothesis is a myth.
- ✝ Pray that God would bring more people in the ADF to repentance and faith in

Jesus. Pray that Christians in the ADF who are not currently connected with Defence ministries would search for and connect with one of the many groups.

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- ✝ Pray for the protection and promotion of human rights across the globe. Pray for Australia and other nations who share our values (values which largely derive from a Judeo-Christian worldview). As Australia and our partners seek to shape the strategic environment for good and counter those who personally gain at the expense of others, pray that oppression and injustice would be replaced by freedom and love for neighbour. Pray for all those who work to such ends in Government, in NGOs, and in Christian mission organisations.
- ✝ Pray for all deployed members of the Australian Defence Force, and for the partners and children who remain behind. Ask that God would give strength and endurance to both the deployed members and their families, and that

Defence and support agencies would provide community support.

✝ Pray for those who are victims of the coronavirus and those who have lost loved ones. Pray for those who find themselves out of work. Ask that God would sustain families everywhere who are under the additional strain at this time, and that domestic violence, suicide and other social challenges would not intensify at this time. Pray for ongoing diligence and watchfulness across all states and territories even where case numbers are very low.

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✝ Thank God for the recently announced \$1b investment to boost Australia's Defence Industry. Pray that it would be successful in stimulating the economy in these difficult times and also providing increased capability options to the government.

✝ Pray for our fellow defence ministries represented by the FCMM – ACCTS, Everyman's Welfare Service, FOCUS, Navigators, Red Shield Defence

Services and Solid Rock Ministries and for AMCF and Chaplains. Pray for them especially at this time as restrictions impact the way they serve the wider ADF community, and impact their financial support.

✝ Pray for Russell Bielenberg who is writing the history of MCF. Pray for continued dedication and literary ability. Thank God for the work of the Bielenbergs and the wider family in MCF and other ministries over many decades

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✝ Pray that the CDF, Secretary, Ministers and Service Chiefs would see in MCF members and other Christians a life of loyalty and dedication to service whether in uniform, APS or contractors. Pray that we would live in love and humility, in the power of the Spirit. May we carry out our duties in righteousness and justice to His honour and glory.

✝ Pray for all members in training establishments, whether trainees or instructors. Pray that through all activities and free time God would be

working. Pray for tough, challenging and rewarding training, and for spiritual sharpness and opportunities for ADF Chaplains, Military Ministries and staff. Pray that Christian trainees would stand firm in their faith, and would find other Christians for mutual encouragement.

✝ Pray that all Australians would reflect on the vanity of wealth and 'success' and seek a deeper spiritual life. Pray that Christians would be bold to speak about the hope of Jesus.

MCF PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
we thank you
that the blood of Jesus Christ
cleanses us from all sin.
Bless the service men and women
of all nations
and grant that we who know the joy
of being all one in Christ Jesus
may be filled with your love
and pass it on to others
until His coming again.

Amen