

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.

⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.

Phil 1:9-10 (NIV)

Please send prayer points to the Prayer Coordinator:

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04 Oct 20

- Pray that Christians in Defence workplaces and ADF Chaplains would be sources of wisdom, hope and encouragement to those whom we work amongst and serve.
- Pray for ADF members of all three services, that they would be ready now as well as future ready. Pray for ongoing training and capability development across the five domains and for tasks at the high end of warfare, even though 2020 has been a year of disruption.
- Pray for the ongoing suppression of Coronavirus in Australia. Thank God for the recent reduction in daily infection numbers in Victoria, and for the successful control of spread around the nation. 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.

11 Oct 20

- Pray for MCF small groups around Australia as we all adjust to the 'new normal'. Ask God that we wouldn't give up meeting together to spur one another on in trusting Jesus (Heb 10:24-25). Pray especially for the relatively new online/virtual small groups. Perhaps one of these would suit your work and life schedule? Please contact <u>mcf.office@defence.gov.au</u> for details and timings.
- Thank God for the combined virtual worship services which have been able to be enjoyed by ADF members deployed on Op COVID-19 Assist.
- Pray for the booklet of testimonies which is in planning through the Navigators and MCF in partnership with the Bible Society. The content for this future publication needs to be reviewed and approved through various chains. Pray for the review process, and for all those who have shared their story through this means. Pray that the booklet would be

published and would open people up and soften their hearts to consider Jesus.

18 Oct 20

- Pray for our fellow defence ministries represented by the FCMM – ACCTS, AMCF, Chaplains, Everyman's Welfare Service, FOCUS, Navigators, Red Shield Defence Services and Solid Rock Ministries. 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 the Association of Military Christian Fellowships (AMCF). Sat 24 Oct 2020 is the AMCF/ACCTS Worldwide Day of Prayer. Pray for Christians serving in the military in all nations around the world, that they would discharge their duty with integrity and compassion.
- Praise God for the Chaplains He has called into the ADF. Pray for those who are on the path to Chaplaincy, via the inservice training scheme or the many other paths. Pray that God would

empower Chaplains to be effective in the environments where they are placed. Ask God to show you how you can be supportive and encouraging to your local Chaplain and advance the gospel in your workplace or base.

25 Oct 20

- Pray for yourself, that God would fill you with spiritual gifts to enable you to be bold, humble and effective in your context.
- Pray for Ms Katherine Jones, who commenced as Associate Secretary of the Department of Defence in June 2020. Pray for her as she continues to settle into her new role and new department, and pray that God would give her wisdom as she integrates the work of different parts of Defence to get more effective and efficient outcomes, particularly in the areas of service delivery.
- As we approach the MCF Annual General Meeting (17 Nov 2020), pray for the MCF Committee. Pray that they

would seek and hear God's leading for the MCF, and be faithful and obedient. Pray that our membership would in turn be blessed and run with great endurance the race that the Lord has for us, so others would be blessed and praise God on the last day.

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