

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.

<sup>9</sup> And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, <sup>10</sup> 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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# 01 Nov 20

- Thank God for the recent reduction in daily COVID 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 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 the MCF Prayer Gathering (virtually this Thursday, 5 Nov 2020, from 1200 -1300 AEDST. Pray for those leading the prayers, the organisers and their helpers. Pray that many with a heart to pray for Defence will participate. Pray that God will Bless the event and give thanks that He hears our prayers. Give thanks that we can meet this way and for those who continue to look into ways to keep us connected and develop new technologies to do this.

## 08 Nov 20

- Pray for those who can't get together this Remembrance Day. Give thanks for the signing of the armistice and the silencing of the guns at the end of World War One. Thank God for the service and sacrifice of all current and former members of our military, and that of their families and friends who support them.
- In the wake of World Mental Health day last month, pray for the mental health of all current serving and former ADF members. Pray especially for those whose mental health has been adversely impacted as a result of their service.
   Pray for healing and openness to meet the great healer, Jesus, who will one day wipe away every tear.
- Pray for the leads of the Forum of Christian Military Ministries, Chaplains and the Bible Society who will meet on 12 and 13 Nov in Canberra. Pray that partnerships will be strengthened and give thanks for the generosity of the Bible Society and the opportunities for FCMM to work together to build God's Kingdom in the ADO and beyond.

### 15 Nov 20

- Pray for the MCF AGM (17 Nov 2020), pray for the MCF Committee, those retiring and those taking up or continuing in their roles. Give thanks for those who volunteer at the MCF in many different ways. Pray that they would seek and hear God's leading for the MCF, and be faithful and obedient.
- Pray that the MCF-A membership would 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.
- Pray for God's protection on all who serve in Christian leadership in Defence. Ask that God would enable Christian leaders to put sin to death in their own lives, and turn away from temptation to serve the true and living God.

#### 22 Nov 20

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.

- Pray for yourself, that God would fill you with spiritual gifts to enable you to be bold, humble and effective in your context.
- Thank God for the combined virtual worship services which have been able to be enjoyed by ADF members deployed on Op COVID-19 Assist and others across Australia.

### 29 Nov 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 online/virtual small groups. Perhaps one of these would suit your work and life schedule?
Please contact

mcf.office@defence.gov.au for details and timings.

- Pray for members who are beginning preparations for posting, as they farewell old friends and possibly leave behind family. Pray that God would comfort and protect members in their new roles and localities.
- Pray for our fellow Defence Ministries represented by the FCMM – ACCTS, AMCF, Everyman's Welfare Service, FOCUS, Navigators, Red Shield Defence Services, Solid Rock Ministries and for Chaplains, especially at this time as restrictions impact the way they serve the wider ADF community, and impact their financial support.

#### **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