



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.

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — ⁹not by works, so that no one can boast..

Eph 2:8-9 (NIV)

Please send prayer points to the Prayer Coordinator:

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05 Jun 22

- ✝ Pray for the newly forming Federal Government. Pray for all of the MPs, Senators, and their staff, that they would govern our nation in righteousness.
- ✝ Please join us in saying the prayers which the Speaker reads each day upon taking the Chair in Parliament:

Almighty God, we humbly beseech Thee to vouch safe Thy blessing upon this Parliament. Direct and prosper our deliberations to the advancement of Thy glory, and the true welfare of the people of Australia.

Our Father, which art in Heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

- ✝ Pray for CHAP Peter Owen, a reserve RAAF chaplain in Victoria who previously planted a church at RAAF Base Point Cook. Peter is dying of cancer, and has rapidly deteriorated in recent weeks. He has strong trust in his Jesus. Praise God for his life of service and pray for his family.

12 Jun 22

- ✝ Pray for the new ministerial appointments for Defence (sworn in on 01 Jun 2022). The Hon Richard Marles MP is the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence. The Hon Matt Thistlethwaite MP is Assistant Minister for Defence. The Hon Matt Keogh MP is Minister for Defence Personnel and Veterans' Affairs. The Hon Pat Conroy MP is the Minister for Defence Industry. Pray for our newly appointed ministers and their staff as they begin to make decisions and shape Defence.
- ✝ Pray for the Salvation Army's *Red Shield Defence Services* that they would have opportunity to share the gospel on the bases where they are located. Pray for the *Red Shield Appeal* which recently occurred throughout Australia (in late May); that funds would be raised to continue to support the work of the Salvation Army.
- ✝ Pray for Defence trainees that they will improve their physical, mental and spiritual resilience.
- ✝ Pray for Arjun and the MCF-India team, as they pray and fast this week before heading to Nepal to establish more MCF-Nepal groups.

19 Jun 22

- ✝ Ask God to guide our new Parliament by his Spirit. May they never lead the nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please, or unworthy ideals. Instead, laying aside all private interests and prejudices may they keep in mind their responsibility to seek to improve the condition of all mankind.
- ✝ Pray for Christians entering the ADF at the various training establishments. Pray that they would stand firm in the truth of the gospel in the midst of tough training and newfound autonomy.
- ✝ Pray for the war in Ukraine. Pray that Russian aggression would end. Pray for the civilians who have been targeted, killed and injured, and for the millions who have had to flee their homes. Pray for resilience for those who serve the Ukraine people. Ask that God would equip Ukraine military chaplains and agencies providing support. Pray for MCF-Ukraine and that work they are doing amongst troops and civilians. Pray for their safety. Pray that God would be shaping the global geopolitical order for his purposes.

26 Jun 22

- ✝ Pray for the Pacific region at this time of intense competition. Pray for Australia and the region following the Solomon Islands security agreement with China, which is a significant setback for security and stability in the region. Pray for Papua New Guinea as they head into elections in July. Pray for Senator the Hon Penny Wong in her new role as Minister for Foreign Affairs as she manages many complex issues. Pray for DFAT and Defence elements.
- ✝ Pray for Defence Chaplains of all three services. Pray that they would be productive in their ministries and would provide holistic care for those they are responsible for. Ask God to help them stand firm on the truth of the gospel, and to be approachable to men and women from all ranks.
- ✝ Pray for MCF members who are working in area's isolated from other Christians. Pray that they will be supported and strengthened in their faith.

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