

eNews - May 2021

"Steward" comes from the Old English: stig (house) + weard (guard)

In this edition, we share our budget highlights planned for 2021/2022 and hope our stewards help **equip**, **connect and inspire** the next generation of Defence Christians.

STEWARDSHIP





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From Vice Chair, CHAP Steve Neuhaus

Upcoming events



International Day of Prayer for Police and Military 24 Jun

Online Prayer 4 Aug 10 Nov

> Defence Christians' Dinner Canberra Sep/Oct

In the film *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, Indy arrives at a canyon only to cross to the other side in order to save his father Henry. He reflects on one of the clues and steps out into what appears to be space, only to find that there is a camouflaged bridge which enables him to cross safely and get the lifegiving water.

As we move towards the end of the financial year and the start of a new one the MCF Exec have been challenged to step out in faith approving an increased budget. **Malachi 3:10** states

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this" says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room for it"

As an Exec we believe that

"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." **2 Corinthians 9:6-7**

We pray that you will also generously step out with us to offer the lifegiving water of the Gospel of Christ.



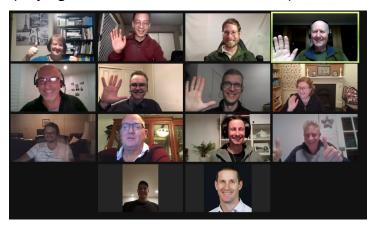
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RECAP: Zoom Hour for our Representatives – 29th April

The MCF executive joined together for an hour of fellowship, encouragement and prayer with our Representatives and Points of Contacts from around Australia in late April to hear about each other's challenges and support networks. Highlights included a survey of challenges from each base, ideas discussed for growth and praying for our nation and its leadership.





You might be interested in...

Defence Christians' Dinners 2021

We're excited to plan for a Canberra dinner in October this year alongside our Forum of Christian Military Ministries (FCMM) partners. Are you keen to host/plan a Regional dinner? If so, please email Julie.

Fundraising 2021

Supporting our work in the ADO is easy: details to set up payment from your fortnightly pay can be found at http://mcf-a.org.au/donate/ and transfers are welcome to

Military Christian Fellowship of Australia

BSB: 833 205 Account no. 20380708

We trust God in our finances and endeavour to faithfully steward these resources towards equipping, connecting and inspiring Defence Christians.



Cityhope Church produced this fantastic video Where is God in this? with support from Army's Principal Chaplain, ADFA and the Australian War Memorial. It shares the story of chaplains at Gallipoli and the Western Front. Watch it here:



Air Force's Holy Trinity Chapel

uploaded their inspiring ANZAC Day Service – it features our MCF Chaplain Representative and longtime member, Director General Chaplaincy Air Force, Mark Willis. <u>Check it out here</u>:





Find a MCF group near you, support MCF work or link in with our Staff Worker, Julie at:



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