



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>11</sup> *Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes..*  
Eph 6:11 (NIV)

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#### 04 Apr 22

- † Pray for Ukraine. Thank God for the unity among many nations calling for peace. Pray that President Putin would cease Russian aggression. Thank God for the strength of the Ukraine military in defending well to-date. Pray for the civilians and families who have been separated. Pray for those facing hunger and uncertainty in the worst affected cities. Ask that God would equip Ukraine's military chaplains and churches in regions receiving refugees.
- † Give thanks that ACCTS was established 50 years ago, in March 1972 ([accts.org](http://accts.org)). Thank God for the involvement that Russell and Helen Bielenberg have had over that time, and the biblically-based, spirit-led, prayer-centred, people-focussed work supported through Military Christian Fellowships worldwide.
- † Pray for churches across Australia in the lead up to Easter. Pray that many Australians would come to understand the significance of Jesus death for the first time this year.

#### 11 Apr 22

- † Thank God for the crew and embarked forces of HMAS Canberra who have just returned from deployment on Operation Tonga Assist 2022. Thank God also for the crew and embarked forces of HMAS Adelaide who had provided support immediately after the volcano eruption.
- † As we enter the season of Easter, pray that service men and women will thank God for his son Jesus and what he sacrificed for us on the cross, and consider the evidence for his resurrection.
- † Pray for Defence members who are away from family because of Operations, Exercises or other training commitments. Pray that Christians would be able to find each other on deployments, and perhaps meet together to read the Bible and encourage each other. Pray for the partners and children at home, that friends and churches would provide effective support.

## 18 Apr 22

- † Thank God for the remarkable evidence pointing to Jesus resurrection, which we celebrate this Easter Sunday morning. Pray that Christians would be encouraged to better know the truth and relevance of the risen Jesus. Pray that those around us would seek deeply, consider evidence, experience a loving community, and be persuaded of God's love for them.
- † Pray for all members in Defence who identify as Christians, whether ADF, APS, contractor or other. Pray that God would help us to be selfless servants, who work diligently and care for others around us. Pray that Christians would be given wisdom in knowing how to represent Jesus in their units and posting locations.
- † Lord, you have blessed and saved us through Jesus. You have given us a rich and beautiful country in which we are free to worship and serve You. You have also given us responsibility for this land and its people. Help us to praise and worship You and help us in our weakness not to fail You or our fellow Australians. Thank you for Jesus.

## 25 Apr 22

- † As we approach a federal election, pray for our Nation and leaders. Lord, please move in the hearts of all who govern, that we may be governed in honesty and that all our laws may be just and righteous. But first change us and the rest of your church so that the truth of the gospel would be proclaimed and lived in power.
- † Pray for Rear Admiral Robert Plath, AM, who is current commander of the Defence COVID-19 Taskforce. Thank God for the work of the Defence Taskforce and all elements of government, health and medical practitioners who have worked long hours to serve our people and our national interest over recent years.
- † Pray for our fellow defence ministries which serve alongside MCF, represented by the FCMM – ACCTS, Everyman's Welfare Service, FOCUS, Navigators, Red Shield Defence Services and Solid Rock Ministries and our partners of AMCF and Chaplains.

### **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**