

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.

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Cor 5:17 (NIV)

Please send prayer points to the Prayer Coordinator: Brendan Pell

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07 Nov 21

- This Thursday is internationally recognised as Remembrance Day. This week we thank God for the service and sacrifice of all current and former members of our military, and their families and friends who support them. Pray for those who have served and who still carry the scars of that service.
- Pray for the coronavirus situation in our nearest neighbour: PNG. Praise God for the C-17A and RAAF/joint team which last week delivered vaccines and emergency medical cargo to PNG. Pray for the government and all people of PNG, and that Australia would further consider how we can help in their time of need.
- Pray for the MCF AGM which will be held this Tuesday from 1200-1300 AEDT.
 Pray for those who may be appointed to positions on the MCF-A Council. Pray that they would be empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve the body of believers within Defence.

14 Nov 21

- Pray for the children of ADF members who are without one of their parents for extended periods for exercises and deployments. Pray that any fear and loneliness they feel will be eased and that they will be aware of God's presence with them during the separation. Pray also for the strengthening of ADF families and children as the end-of-year postings bring additional burden.
- Pray for all Christians in the Defence Forces throughout our region, especially in the South West Pacific. Pray that they would be empowered to stand strong in the faith and act with integrity as they carry out their duties. Pray for the building up of the Military Christian Fellowships so that Christians can meet together for mutual encouragement.
- Please pray for the Faith Under Fire course underway at RAAF Base Edinburgh. Pray for an open mind to consider the facts of the historical Jesus by those who are attending, and that this will lead to a joy-filled encounter with

Him. Please also ask for wisdom for the team leading it.

21 Nov 21

- Praise God for the trust and high regard that many in the ADF have for the Padre. Pray that Padres throughout the ADF might be wise and spiritually sharp in their engagement.
- Pray for the hospitals and doctors and nurses across Australia, serving on the frontlines of the coronavirus response.
- Pray for the protection and promotion of human rights across the globe. Pray for Australia and other nations who share our values (values which largely derive from a Judeo-Christian worldview). As Australia and our partners seek to shape the strategic environment for good and counter those who personally gain at the expense of others, pray that oppression and injustice would be replaced by freedom and love for neighbour. Pray for all those who work to such ends in Government, in NGOs, and in Christian mission organisations.

28 Nov 21

- Pray for ADF members who are preparing 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 God's protection on all who serve in Christian leadership in Defence, whether in Chaplaincy or in lay-ministry. 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.
- Pray for Mr Matt Yannopoulos, PSM, who recently commenced as the Associate Secretary of the Department of Defence on 05 October 2021. In this position he is responsible for leading Defence's Transformation Program. His role encompasses the integration of the Defence enterprise, and leading the delivery of enterprise planning, performance and risk management functions, finance, facilities and estate security, information and communications technology, data and

information management, human resources, legal, audit and security vetting services.

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**