

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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01 May 22

- Praise God for the universe he has made. Thank him for giving all men life and breath and everything else. Thank God for the way that his world displays his power and wisdom from the vastness of space to the smallest ant.
- Thank God for the recent commemoration of ANZAC Day. Thank God for those who have gone before us and have served us and our nation.
- Pray for the war in Ukraine. Pray that President Putin would cease Russian aggression. Thank God for the strength of the Ukraine military in defending well in the first phase of the conflict. Pray for resilience for the Ukraine people: military members, spouses, and innocent civilians who are facing death and injury. Ask that God would equip Ukraine military chaplains. As NATO and western nations respond in support, pray that God would be shaping the future geopolitical order for his purposes.

08 May 22

Praise God for his greatness displayed in the vastness of the sea, the power of

- waves, and all the sea creatures. Pray for the Royal Australian Navy and ask that God would keep all RAN members safe from the dangers of the sea. Pray for the development of Australian sea power, and the acquisition and sustainment of all our naval platforms.
- Pray for the leaders of the nations, that they would rule their countries with justice and mercy. Ask that God would install the leaders of his choosing and shape the hearts of kings and rulers as he pleases. Pray especially for Australia as our federal election approaches.
- Pray for churches across Australia following Easter. Pray for the follow-up and welcoming of any newcomers or visitors, and that Australians would be curious about Jesus.

15 May 22

Praise God for the land of Australia, for the beauty of our vast deserts, the lush green of tropical rainforests, and all terrain in between. Pray for all aspects of the Australian Army, and for all training in land warfare. Pray for the safety of those deployed on operations, and for the force in training at home.

- Ask that Australian land combat power would continue to develop, and that commanders at all levels would be wise and agile in the application of force.
- Pray for a young PTE soldier in the ADF who is suffering from a severe back injury and now has nine vertebrae fused together, partly due to a pre-existing genetic condition, partly due to a poor medical decision by someone. Pray as she transitions to life outside Defence, and seeks DVA support.
- Pray for the upcoming Federal Election.
 Ask that God would install the Federal
 Members of Parliament he chooses.

22 May 22

Praise God for his greatness displayed in the sky and beyond into space. Thank him for the sun and the stars and the moon, and for the skill he has enabled man to develop in operating and ruling in the sky. Pray for all members of the Royal Australian Air Force, whether air crew, or working on the ground. Ask that God would grant all members of the RAAF safety in carrying out their tasks,

- and that Australian air power would be developed and deployed with insight.
- Pray for those who are seeking to become Defence Chaplains. Pray for Christians who are already members of the ADF who are considering the call to ministry, and possibly to Defence Chaplaincy. Pray also for those who are already involved in full-time ministry elsewhere who are considering serving in the ADF.
- Pray for the MCF India members who are moving to Nepal this month, so they can start MCF in Nepal, seek to reach the unreached, and plant churches. Pray that they would get both prayer and financial support for this ministry. Pray that more servants of the king would be raised up to serve in both India and Nepal.

29 May 22

Pray for governments in Australia at local, state and federal levels. Pray for elected members and staff who have faith commitments, that they would be empowered and enabled to be a light in their context. Pray especially for the

- federal government forming after the election. Thank God for the privilege of living in a democracy.
- Pray for the hospitals and doctors and nurses across Australia, who continue to serve in busy hospitals supporting the coronavirus response. Pray especially for WA as they open up and adjust to living with COVID. Give thanks to God for the technology and treatments we have in our hospitals.
- Pray for the senior leaders from your part of Defence. Pray for these men and women as they provide leadership to Defence though this present period of strategic uncertainty. Pray that they would lead with integrity, courage and wisdom.

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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