

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-A groups in Australia and other nations, and other Christian Military Ministries.

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favour and honour; no good thing does He withhold from those whose walk is blameless." (Psalms 84:11)

Please send any prayer points to the MCF-A Prayer Coordinator: Dr Daniel Solomon (<u>Prayer Coordinator</u>).

## 3 August

- Let us strive to be blameless before God, at work and in our personal life, and witness God's favour and honour.
- Praise God for personnel from HMAS Coonawarra who have undertaken the Relay for Life to raise funds for the Cancer Council of the Northern Territory. The 14-hour relay raised just under \$11,000.
- Thank God for HMAS Sydney and its 240 crew who sailed throughout the Indo-Pacific as part of Regional Presence Deployment 25-2. They sailed from late March until July to conduct training, exercises and other engagements with regional Navies.
- Thank God for the new technology partnership agreement between Australia and Canada, for collaboration on Over-The-Horizon Radar (OTHR), research and development. This agreement recognises Australia's OTHR technology as a world-leading capability.

## 10 August

- Praise God for all those who partook in Exercise Talisman Sabre 2025 (TS25), Australia's largest military exercise in history. More than 40,000 personnel from 19 nations partook this year.
- Thank God for the 335 US paratroopers, along with German and French paratroopers, who dropped into Charters Towers under the cover of night during TS25. The paratroopers exploited allied night vision capabilities to launch a surprise operation designed to overwhelm any adversary.
- Praise God for the crew of HMAS
  Canberra and Choules who embarked
  the entire Australian Amphibious Force
  in less than one full tidal cycle during
  TS25. The embarked force included 30
  units from the RAN, Australian Army and
  RAAF, plus allied forces from the US,
  Japan, Republic of Korea and France.
- Thank God for over 80 personnel from 12 partner nations who joined to create the first-ever Multinational Information Operations Centre (MIOC) for the Talisman Sabre exercise series. The

MIOC weaves together the complex relationships of national authorities needed to create a cohesive capability.

Thank God for the soldiers from the 4<sup>th</sup> Brigade who practiced their homeland defence role during TS25. heat to bolster the supply of drinking water to remote communities on an island north of Dili.

### 17 August

- Praise God for the Joint Capabilities
  Group Regional Information and
  Communications Technology (RICT)
  team who provided the digital backbone
  for TS25. They have enabled secure,
  highspeed communications across both
  strategic headquarters and tactical sites.
- Thank God for the ADF's ground security elements who generated an integrated security posture during TS25 across RAAF bases in Curtin, Darwin and Tindal. These elements provided security for local and foreign personnel, infrastructure, assets and capabilities.
- Praise God for the specialists from the RAAF who worked alongside international partners at TS25 to deploy a Role 2 Hospital at RAAF Base Curtin. The Role 2 Hospital provided a portable, persistent and paramount medical capability.

# 24 August

- Praise God for the integrated team of more than 550 aviators, soldiers and military working dogs that demonstrated Air Force's ability to conduct agile, expeditionary airbase operations in remote locations during TS25.
- Thank God for those at RAAF Base Amberley who stood as the power hub of cargo and passenger air movements in TS25. Australia's largest logistics base supported the force flow of more than 40,000 personnel, powered by a diverse team of Australian and international partners.
- Praise God for the powerful demonstration of air power and tactical cohesion by the maritime patrol forces from Australia, New Zealand and the US at TS25.
- Thank God for the Australian and Timor-Leste Defence Force engineers who braved dangerous seas and oppressive

## 31 August

- Pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East and Ukraine. Pray for all those affected by ongoing conflicts and those feeling worried about the current situation in the world.
- Thank God that ADF Chaplain Craig
  Roberts could deliver more than two
  tonnes of school supplies to students of
  Igam Barracks Academy in Papua New
  Guinea. The school supplies were
  donated by nine Townsville schools and
  the Townsville community.
- Praise God for the more than 200 participants in the Canungra Combat Challenge which raised more than \$110,000 for Legacy.
- Thank God for the small group of serving ADF members who received the new Australian Operational Service Medal Indo-Pacific (AOSM-IP) from the Chief of the Defence Force, Admiral David Johnston.

Pray for the ADF personnel conducting engagement activities with countries across South-East Asia and the North-East Indian Ocean as part of Indo-Pacific Endeavour 2025 (IPE25).

#### **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