



Thank you for praying for and with MCF-A. 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.

*“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord.’” (Luke 2:10-11).*

Please send any prayer points to the MCF-A Prayer Coordinator: Dr Daniel Solomon ([Prayer Coordinator](#)).

## 7 December 2025

- ✝ As our scripture for this month (Luke 2:10-11) says, our Saviour came into this world, to save us from our sin and enable us to spend eternity with Him. Let us this Christmas pray and reach out to those in our MCF-A group, our family and friends with the good news that Jesus can save us.
- ✝ Pray for those affected by Cyclone Fina, which hit the Northern Territory and Western Australia. Pray in particular for Defence personnel and their families.
- ✝ Thank God for the Maritime Cooperative Activity (MCA) conducted by Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines and the United States. MCA helps enhance interoperability and strengthen cooperation in support of a peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific.
- ✝ Praise God for the Indo Pacific 2025 International Maritime Exposition, one of the world’s largest maritime expositions, which was held in Sydney. More than 900 Defence exhibitors and over 200 naval delegates from more than 50 nations attended.

- ✝ Praise God for the families of ADF members, in particular the children who received a Child of the ADF Medallion, which was awarded as a symbol of recognition for the strength, resilience and sacrifices made by Defence families.

## 14 December 2025

- ✝ Pray that the true meaning of Christmas can be shared at work, and for boldness to share Christ to colleagues.
- ✝ Thank God for the “Lives in Leadership” podcast series launched by the Australian Defence College. The podcast, which is hosted on [The Forge](#), supports professional development across Defence by offering experience-driven insights into leadership.
- ✝ Praise God for the 24 graduates from Session 37 of the 17-week Army Indigenous Development Program.
- ✝ Thank God for Exercise Wantok Warrior, where troops from Australia and PNG confronted the realities of urban warfare.
- ✝ Praise God for the Defence Space Safety Program Manual, which will help

the ADF meet legal and moral obligations.

## 21 December 2025

- ✚ Thank God for the more than 1800 ADF personnel deployed on operations both overseas and within Australia. Pray for them as they stay away from family and friends over the Christmas break.
- ✚ Pray that Defence personnel have a blessed Christmas and a good time with family.
- ✚ Pray for safe travel for those travelling during the Christmas break.
- ✚ Praise God for Exercise Phantom Shield 25-2, a standalone, bespoke joint collective exercise conducted in a virtual training environment. The exercise ensures that training focuses on those mission elements that cannot be achieved elsewhere in the live or virtual exercise program.
- ✚ Thank God the ADF joined Pacific partners in November to strengthen disaster preparedness across the region, as part of Exercise Pacific Partnership

2025. ADF personnel collaborated with representatives from the Australian Civil-Military Centre and Samoan agencies, and forces from the United States, Canada, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

## 28 December 2025

- ✚ Praise God for representatives of Australia and Laos who shared knowledge on humanitarian assistance and disaster response initiatives.
- ✚ Thank God for the RAAF personnel who delivered disaster relief stores to the Lao capital, which included kitchen and hygiene equipment, mosquito nets and blankets.
- ✚ Praise God for the two-day knowledge sharing seminar on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) in Laos, where the implementation of WPS in the military was discussed and workshopped.
- ✚ Thank God Australia participated in Exercise Suman Warrior 2025, which is designed to enhance interoperability, strengthen military ties and improve

collective responses to potential security threats in the Indo-Pacific region.

- ✚ Praise God for the RAN technicians who supported the maintenance of the Virginia-class submarine USS *Vermont* at HMAS *Stirling*. Thank God the RAN clearance diving team led underwater maintenance work on USS *Vermont*. Praise God for the 170 RAN officers and sailors who have now qualified, or are in training, for the United States Navy's nuclear-powered attack submarines.

## 4 January 2026

- ✚ Pray that we draw closer to God in 2026, and that God will direct us and guide our decisions during the year.
- ✚ Thank God for the Australian soldiers who delivered a littoral and riverine training package for Philippine marines.
- ✚ Thank God for the combat team of Australian soldiers who traded knowledge with Philippine counterparts during Exercise Kasangga 2025-02.

- ✝ Praise God for Aviators from the RAAF School of Postgraduate Studies (SPS), who delivered enhanced air power leadership courses to the PNG Defence Force (PNGDF) Air Transport Wing.

## 11 January 2026

- ✝ Thank God that ADF soldiers and aviators were able to rehearse key operating concepts to increase air-land competence in Exercise Mobility Bluegum.
- ✝ Pray for Defence personnel who are currently deployed to various parts of the world, in particular those deployed to unsafe areas. Pray for safety, protection and strength in their faith that they may be the salt and light to those they work with and come across. Pray that God gives them wisdom and discernment in all they do.
- ✝ Praise God that Australia joined India, Japan and the United States for Exercise Malabar, which is designed to deepen interoperability between regional partners. Vice Admiral Justin Jones AO, CSC, RAN (Chief of Joint Operations) said

with regional security challenges evolving rapidly, partnerships and joint exercises are more important than ever.

- ✝ Thank God for those at RAAF Base Pearce who raised \$7400 in 48 hours for the Black Dog institute, which undertakes mental health research.
- ✝ Pray for Christians being persecuted around the world. Pray for their protection.

## 18 January 2026

- ✝ Thank God that Australia has conducted four Regional Presence Deployments in 2025, which has demonstrated the ADFs commitment to maintain a near permanent presence in the region to support regional security and stability.
- ✝ Praise God for Exercise Black Dagger 2025-2, which brought together air and ground forces to strengthen joint operations and regional partnerships.
- ✝ Thank God for civilian employers of ADF reservists, in particular those honoured by Defence at the 2025 National Employer Support Awards.

- ✝ Pray for the conflict between nations to end, including Russia and Ukraine, and Iran and Israel.

- ✝ Praise God for Indo-Pacific Endeavour (IPE) 2025, an annual activity which aims to strengthen Australia's partnerships in the region with military cooperation, joint training and people-to-people engagement.

## 25 January 2026

- ✝ Thank God for the successfully training and engagement the RAN conducted with the Indian Navy in the western Pacific Ocean for AUSINDEX 25. Serials focused on surface and air warfare, seamanship, aviation operations and personnel exchanges.
- ✝ Pray for those obtaining new postings, including those having to move houses, school or leaving friends and family behind. Pray that those moving will soon find a new Church family as well as Christians in their workplace.
- ✝ Praise God that Australian maritime security specialists joined Bruneian counterparts for a Maritime Security

Workshop hosted by the Royal Brunei Navy.

✝ Praise God for the biggest ever Australasian Military Medicine Association (AMMA) Conference, which drew more than 900 military health professionals from Australia, Cambodia, Brunei, Philippines, Thailand, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia and Vietnam.

✝ Thank God for the Defence's Global Supply Chain (GSC) Program, which continues to secure more opportunities for local business, generating more than \$2.35 billion worth of contracts to 307 Australian Defence suppliers. The GSC Program assists major Defence companies to increase the number of Australian suppliers and export opportunities.

### **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**