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.

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

James 1:22 (NIV)

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06 Feb 22

- Pray for Tonga and neighbouring Islands in the SW Pacific. Pray for those in the ADF giving support. Pray for those in Australia and elsewhere who have relatives and friends in Tonga especially as COVID is restricting the usual support opportunities both in Tonga and in other locations.
- Pray for Defence members as they settle into new postings across the nation and around the world. Pray that they would find their feet and be valuable members of the team, both in their work context in ADF and in the spiritual context in our churches. Pray also for their families and for kids as they adapt to new schools and make new friendships.
- Pray for the MCF-A Exec and Council as they prepare to hold their first meeting for 2022 next week. Pray for wisdom and guidance in direction and support to all in MCF-A and beyond. Pray that Bases will continue to support MCF gatherings. Pray for the Reps and small groups and that people will seek out groups for support in their faith walk or to learn about God's Grace for the first time.

13 Feb 22

- As we enter a new year, pray that God would bring more people in the ADO to repentance and faith in Jesus this year. Pray that Christians in Defence would live lives which are so distinctive that they lead to questions and opportunities to give a reason for the hope that we have.
- Pray for the hospitals and doctors and nurses across Australia, serving on the frontlines of the coronavirus response. Pray for those who are sick with COVID or other illness or injury. Pray for the uptake of booster vaccinations. Give thanks to God for the technology and treatments we have in our hospitals and beyond.
- Pray for MCF groups around the world, especially in countries where Christianity is being challenged or persecuted. Pray that hearts will be open to the true Word and many will be saved. Also pray for stability across the globe and the

avoidance of conflict. Pray that peaceful diplomatic solutions will be found and citizens of all nations will be looked after and able to live in harmony.

20 Feb 22

- 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 Jamie Van Heel, the AMCF Vice President to the SW Pacific region. Pray that he will find ways to support all the countries in this region, which includes Australia, and that the MCF groups in the region will continue to grow. Pray for all the Christian leaders in the countries, especially those leading MCF groups.
- Pray for Senator the Hon Amanda Stoker, Chair of the Parliamentary Christian Fellowship and for Luke Gosling OAM MP, the Vice Chair (a former Army Officer). Pray for all Christians in parliament, and for Chaplain to the parliament, Eric Burton, and his team as they serve and support all who work at Parliament House in CBR.

27 Feb 22

- 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.
- 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 our fellow defence ministries represented by the Forum of Christian Military Ministries (FCMM) – ACCTS, Everyman's Welfare Service, FOCUS, Navigators, Red Shield Defence Services and Solid Rock Ministries, and also pray for AMCF and Chaplains. Pray they will continue to have many avenues of ministry open to them and that they will minister wisely to those who may not normally engage with them but may do so at this time. Pray they will have their hearts open to hear your word.

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