

**SPECIAL PRAYER FOCUS: CMS SUMMER CONFERENCES**

Father God, as CMS branches make preparations for their summer conferences, we pray for your blessing on those who are organising these events. We ask for smooth logistical planning and unity among teams. We thank you for the great gift of Christian brothers and sisters with whom we can have fellowship, and we pray that the summer conferences would be great times of encouragement. We pray also that you might use these conferences to challenge believers to consider serving in mission. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**THURSDAY 1 – MALTA, EURASIA & SLOVENIA**

**G & R** pray that their family would settle back into life and ministry in Malta. Pray for a good pace for **G** given his recent heart operation. **R** prays for her church's small groups to be loving communities dedicated to studying God's word. **Kingsley & Veronica Box** pray that God would grow their church's trainees, Rok and Sarah, in godliness and knowledge of him and his word.

**FRIDAY 2 – ITALY & IRELAND**

**Gillian Law** prays for the GBU Rome as they partner with the Billy Graham Association to plan a series of evangelistic events. Pray for students to come and hear the gospel clearly. **Simon & Jessica Cowell** pray for the safe arrival of their baby this month. **Naomi Brunacci** prays for safety during her visit to Australia this month, and encouraging times meeting and praying with family, friends and link churches. **Erin Moorcroft** gives thanks for many opportunities last month to proclaim Christ to those who visit church annually for harvest services. Pray that God would work mightily in and through them.

**SATURDAY 3 – AUSTRIA & GERMANY**

**Rob & Arabelle Horne** pray for their church's leadership team as they go through *The Vine Project* book and think about how to shape their ministry into a more disciple-making community. **Rachel Gibbs** prays that the Linz students who came to the mission week would also come to the Luke Uncover Bible study, understand the gospel and trust Jesus with their lives. **Klaus & Jude Hickel** pray for God to be preparing people's hearts to hear and receive the gospel at Advent and Christmas events.

**SUNDAY 4 – SPAIN**

**Mike & Tania Snowdon** pray for the weekend away for volunteer support leaders of the GBU/GBE ministry. Pray that more volunteers would be raised up to support the GBE in Valencia. **John & Jodi Lovell** give thanks that their church's small groups have recently restarted. Pray that God would use them to strengthen people in their trust and wholehearted commitment to serving Jesus. **Andrew & Dominique Gifford** pray for Alec, Amelie, Darcey and Jordi as they learn to live in Australia. **Jim & Tanja French** praise God for a great time connecting with link churches and supporters. Pray for stamina as they continue to build partnership support. Pray for wisdom in regard to Jim's visa application.

**CMS SANT EVENTS TO PRAY ABOUT**

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**MONDAY 5 – FRANCE**

**Josh & Susannah Apieczonek** pray that God would help them serve and encourage other Christians in their church. **Caroline Evenden** praises God for the regional student weekend away that inspired students to love, follow, serve and proclaim Jesus. Pray for the Spirit's ongoing work in motivating and enabling them to share the gospel with friends this year. **Daniel & Kate Morris** pray that through the GBU stands, they would meet new students who are keen to read the Bible. **Kelly Landrigan** gives thanks for the opportunity to have a holiday with her mum. Pray for a good time together. Pray for her final church visit with Rosemeadow-Appin Anglican. **Colin & Catherine Puffett** give thanks for the opportunity to spend some holiday time with Aussie friends last week. Pray that the new school session for Julien would start well today and that their relationships with school families would deepen. **M** prays that she would be a light in her new apartment building and connect well with her new neighbours.

**TUESDAY 6 – CMS AUSTRALIA**

Pray for safe travels and good conversations with missionaries for **Chris Mitchell** while on a pastoral visit to the Middle East this month. Pray for **Chris Cooper** as he prepares to leave for a pastoral visit to South East Asia in late November. Pray for the current missionaries-in-training as they prepare to finish the semester and graduate from St Andrew's Hall on 24 November.

**WEDNESDAY 7 – SOUTH ASIA**

**S & I** pray for wisdom as they lead their field team of five families from Ethiopia, Nigeria, Korea, India and England. Pray for God to bring more women into I's life with whom she can read the Bible. **L** gives thanks for the teenage girl and two women at her church who want to be baptised. Pray for their preparation, and that God would bless them and many people through them as they follow Jesus. **S (& T)** give thanks for their ministry at the rest house. Pray for speedy processing of their visa applications. **E** gives thanks for a short visit to her location. Pray for God to provide a way for her to stay there long-term. **D & S** pray for humility, wisdom and discernment for D in relating well to faculty and students during assessment time. Pray for thankfulness and joy in being able to teach, disciple and share Christ with students. **David & Georgina Newmarch** give thanks that Aram rest house continues to be a place for refreshment. Pray for the board members as they meet this month. Pray that **K** would keep seeing God's goodness and mercy during a busy month of church visits. **M & K** give thanks for encouraging partnerships and opportunities to share with people. Pray that they would keep up with administrative tasks and speaking engagements as their departure date draws near.

## THURSDAY 8 – NEPAL

**S** prays that she would be a faithful witness in her daily interactions with teachers and staff while in South Asia. **K (& B)** pray for the rehabilitation staff at the hospital to work as a team and serve patients well. Pray for an effective visit by a team coming this month to do ongoing training with them. **K & M** pray for God's provision of more staff for the school. **D & E** praise God for a positive visit from the director general of the home office. Pray for continued good relations with government officers. Praise God for their new granddaughter and E's recent visit to Australia. **J** gives thanks for the safe return of students from Activity Week and for the start of Term 2. Thank God for the provision of two new teachers. Pray that they would settle in well.

## FRIDAY 9 – NEPAL

**G & R** give thanks for an encouraging Home Assignment strengthening partnerships with link churches and friends. Pray that they would settle back quickly into work and ministry. Pray for a Christian mentoring course being run in Pokhara on 24–27 November. **L & T** give thanks for the provision of teachers for the girls' school, and for opportunities to share and teach the word. Pray that L's master's research would be beneficial to their partner organisation and medical teams. **B & L** give thanks for their first year in Pokhara. Pray for energy and wisdom in their demanding jobs. Pray for generous support for patients with few resources and long-term problems.

## SATURDAY 10 – MIDDLE EAST

**J** prays for unity of vision, care for one another and good work routines amongst her and her housemates, particularly as one returns from Australia and their household becomes more stable. **S** prays that she would share stories of God's work in the Middle East that encourage those she visits during final Home Assignment. **L** prays for her team as they go through a lot of transition with new people arriving and experienced members leaving. **B** prays for daily faithfulness and readiness to point to Jesus during class, travel, visits, study, meetings, home life and the bits in between. **S & C** pray for good relationships to grow in their local community. Pray for continued progress in language so they can share the good news with their neighbours. **C** prays that God would lead her to local families that he is working in. Pray for her growing relationship with her language tutor.

## SUNDAY 11 – UAE, JORDAN & MIDDLE EAST

**W & C** give thanks for a great start to the ESL ministry with five women in the first two weeks. Pray for their new ministry intern, **J**, as he settles into his new role. **K** prays that her visa would come through this month. Thank God for a new Japanese woman who is interested in coming to Bible study. **J & D** pray that they would assist the 65 new small group leaders well as they start their groups this month. **Malcolm & Charissa** pray for wisdom and energy to serve God faithfully. **T & K** pray that they would encourage churches in Berala and Wentworth Falls. **M** praises God for his many provisions throughout her move. Pray for good routines and that God would lead her to develop friendships with local women in whom the Spirit is at work.

## MONDAY 12 – TANZANIA

**Mike & Katie Taylor** pray that they would be models of God's grace in all their relationships with fellow staff, students, government officials and those who don't

know Christ. **Geoff & Martha Boye** praise God for an encouraging time with their partner churches, and the kind, interested and prayerful people there. Pray for them as they grieve their life and ministry in Tanzania, and adjust to life in Australia. **Liz Burns** prays for direction for future ministry. **Kevin & Karen Flanagan** pray for the Lord's continued work in the hundreds of people who attended the recent diocesan youth conference. Pray for a successful surgery for their bishop this month. **Arthur & Tamie Davis** pray for the new TAFES staff as they settle into their postings across Tanzania's regions.

## TUESDAY 13 – TANZANIA

**Glen & Dominique Turner** pray that the school year would finish on a positive note at the end of the month. Pray for **Matthew & Samantha Archer** as they prepare to settle their family in Australia and process their 13 years in Bunda. **Judith Calf** praises God for the evangelists' refresher course that finishes on Friday. Pray that the students would continue to learn and be challenged by God's word and Spirit, now and in their church ministries.

## WEDNESDAY 14 – D R CONGO, SOUTH AFRICA & NAMIBIA

**Graham & Wendy Toulmin** pray for complete recovery for Graham from his surgery in early October. Give thanks for the great group of second-year dental students in Aru. **David & Prue Boyd** pray that ministry resources would be provided as a result of the recent diocesan synod, and that pastors and leaders would honour God in all they do. Give thanks that the recent bone marrow test for Ned showed no leukaemia present. Pray for future tests to show similar results. **Nathan & Diane Lovell** pray for all the faculty as they mark exams and prepare students for graduation on 29 November. **Kylie Zietsch** praises God for the joy of the students growing in their preaching. Pray for opportunities to sow into the students' lives in this last term, particularly **L, V and G**. **Mike & Karen Roe** pray for the students preparing for exams this month, and for staff as they finalise grades and prepare for next year. **Daniel & Olivia Webster** pray that the word of God would be at work changing people and strengthening churches in the areas of Namibia that NETS students visited on mission.

## THURSDAY 15 – ETHIOPIA, EAST AFRICA & KENYA

**Roger & Lynn Kay** pray that their church's weekly Bible study groups would help people grow in understanding of their faith and daily discipleship. **Maggie Crewes** gives thanks that the three Ugandan Retrak centres have been re-licensed and that children can continue to find safe haven there. **Shane & Naomi Rubie** pray for peace and stability in Ethiopia, and for reconciliation between tribal groups to take place for the healing of the country. Praise God that the school, families and workers were kept safe during recent times of unrest. **Norm & Janelle Gorrie** give thanks for the 30 people baptised at St Peter's Sagante and a number converted from Islam. Pray for Rev John and Rev Elema to ground them in Christ and God's word.

## FRIDAY 16 – JAPAN

**Chenny Thie** prays that Hi-B.A. and KGK members who attend the Japan Youth Evangelistic Conference (22–24 November) would have a renewed heart to reach Japan with the gospel of Christ. **Nathan & Maki Clapham** pray for a conference this coming week on youth and young adult ministry. Pray for wisdom and encouragement in spreading

the gospel in Japan. Pray for **Matt & Jen Lim** as they seek to begin full-time language learning. Pray for the right language helper and the right childcare option for Obi and Theo. **Adam & Helane Ramsay** pray that they would finish church visits well. Pray for their new team leader who is settling into Chiba. **Steven & Sandra Parsons** praise God for the TEAM Japan office staff retreat which finished yesterday. Pray that Steven, as team leader, would effectively lead the implementation of the retreat's results for a healthier team. **Roger & Noriko Dethlefs** give thanks that they could help settle in the newly arrived Lim family. Pray for their long process of cultural and language assimilation. Thank God for the recent KGK staff conference, and the opportunity to meet other staff members and form closer friendships within their team.

#### **SATURDAY 17 – JAPAN, TAIWAN & HONG KONG**

**Brad & Michelle Jackson** pray for Michelle and Ueda san as they begin leading a Bible study for some high school boys from non-Christian backgrounds who would like to investigate God further. Pray for the students, T, S and L. **Kellie Nicholas** prays for growth and encouragement for the KGK students and staff attending the National Training Event in Canberra. **Dene & Rachel Hughes** pray that as the students plan Christmas evangelistic events, their words and actions would draw friends to come and hear the truth about Jesus. **Dave & Beck McIntyre** pray for Beck as she trains Yuri in leading Bible study. Pray for Dave as he preaches at church tomorrow. **Ian & Narelle Hadfield** give thanks for the recent women's conference they helped organise at church. Praise God for a good time of Bible teaching and Christian encouragement. **Marshall & Julie Scott** pray for their family as they leave CMS and move into pastoral ministry in Australia. Pray for the Bible to be faithfully taught in Taiwan.

#### **SUNDAY 18 – EAST ASIA**

**L & J** pray for their family as they farewell friends and return to Australia this month for Home Assignment. Pray for their kids to know secure love, wherever 'home' is for a season, and for effective sharing of what the Lord has done during their first tour. **D & L** pray for wisdom and discernment as they make decisions in an uncertain context. **S & K** give thanks for the growing friendship K has with a local mum. Pray for opportunities to share gospel hope. Pray for wisdom in choosing a preschool for J. **D & T** pray for T at a training conference in Hong Kong with two other women, followed by two weeks of visiting specialists for the orphanage. Pray for energy for D as he looks after the boys during this time. **E** prays for language to take shape in her brain, for wisdom and understanding, and to be a diligent and hard kingdom worker. Pray that God would continue to grant visas and keep the door open for mission. **L** gives thanks for the provision of a regular Sunday church group. Pray for protection for the small group of minority students that meet at her house, and for peace and growing relationships as she hosts them.

#### **MONDAY 19 – DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING**

**SAH: Sam & Shan-Shan Chrisp** thank God for recent family visits. Pray for healing and rest for their family as everyone recovers from sickness. **Marty & Jenny Foord** pray for a refreshing break, and energy to learn and grow in Christ in the second half of their training. **N** thanks God for his steadfast love. Pray for continued growth in knowing and loving him and his people. **S & P** give thanks for the

birth of their third son, Z. Pray for them to find rest in God, as well as time and energy for study. **Neill & Rebekah Dunbar (NZCMS)** pray for a restful break to recover from spring bugs and be refreshed for the second half of semester. **Andrew & Liz Glover** praise God for his care of them during a time of transition. Pray for good farewells and a relaxing break before beginning in Phnom Penh on 26 November.

**Mentac:** Pray for preparations for Christmas events. Pray for the new trainees starting in 2019 and the reorganisation of the program.

#### **TUESDAY 20 – CAMBODIA**

**Dave & Leoni Painter** pray for Leoni as she undertakes her Moore College examinations. **Wim & Maaïke Prins** pray for complete healing for Wim's broken collarbone. Pray for Maaïke as she has responsibility for the costumes in the upcoming HOPE musical. **Bethany Vaughan** prays for local churches to be strengthened and for a Christian revival amongst the Cambodian youth. Thank God for his provision of Khmer Bibles for the Sunday school children. **Craig & Samantha McCorkindale** pray that their kids would grow in their faith and trust in Jesus as their identities are tested in Cambodia.

#### **WEDNESDAY 21 – INDONESIA & TIMOR-LESTE**

**J & D** pray for D as she facilitates an online course for female workers serving in Muslim contexts. Pray for **R** as he settles into a new home, meets new friends, and creates new rhythms of life and learning language and culture. **Alan & Helen Wood** praise God for a successful parish retreat earlier this month. Pray for the ongoing rehabilitation work in Lombok and Sulawesi following earthquakes and tsunamis. Pray for opportunities to reach out with the love of Christ in tangible ways. **Chris & Grace Adams** pray for the final publication and launch preparations for the Tetun language *Big Picture Story Bible*. **Andrew Buchanan (& Abi Tandiseru)** pray for the progress of two important applications: permanent residency for Abi and applying to CMS as a couple.

#### **THURSDAY 22 – SOUTH EAST ASIA**

**J & I** pray that those finishing the Life Explored course this month would accept God's greatest gift. Pray that E would adjust well to Year 10 at school in a foreign country after many years of homeschooling. **T & E** pray that the recently graduated students would place their hope fully in Jesus and work to make him known. **I** prays for students to keep asking questions about life and faith, particularly in culture classes. Thank God for her new house. Pray that it would be a place where people can come to read the word, ask questions and pray. **H & M** give thanks that K has settled into boarding school and that their family is adjusting well to the big change. **L & I** pray for the missionaries-in-training as they finish the semester and begin initial Home Assignment.

#### **FRIDAY 23 – SOUTH EAST ASIA**

**T & J** give thanks for T's trip to South East Asia last month to help run some student conferences. Pray for God's favour and blessing on student ministry in both Australia and South East Asia, and that many would mature into faithful followers of Jesus. **N** prays that her students would be encouraged by their progress in English this term. Pray that she would be able to keep building relationships with them next term. **M & L** pray that many would grow in faith and come to know Jesus through the new church plant that their church is establishing. **J** prays for God's provision for

each day's teaching and interactions with students. Pray that she would be an encouragement and help them to develop their English skills, especially in speaking. **Mark & Rosemary Dickens** pray for good preparation for the Advent outreach events, including the nine lessons and carols, and the Christmas service and lunch for domestic helpers. **S** gives thanks for the opportunity to run a second training block at a Buddhist monastery (2–9 December). Pray for salty conversations, good relationships with participants, safe travels and spiritual protection of the team.

## SATURDAY 24 – CHILE

**Gary & Julie Haddon** pray for the CEP students as they do their end-of-year exams. Praise God that Katrina and Mikaylah are able to visit Chile over the summer. Pray for safety in travels. **Frances Cook** prays for guidance for CEP as it fulfils its role for the four new dioceses of the Anglican Province of Chile. **Michael & Joanne Charles** pray for the third-year students at CEP as they finish classes, sit final exams and prepare for a life of ministry. Pray for Michael as he finishes his final two MA units. **Chris & Stef Overhall** give thanks for a visit from Stef's parents. Pray that Theo would make a nice friend at school.

## SUNDAY 25 – MEXICO & BOLIVIA

**Peter & Sarah Sholl** give thanks for the enthusiastic group of women who have started meeting with Sarah for Bible study on Sunday mornings. **Adrian & Anita Lovell** give thanks for God's work in Bolivia throughout the last three years. Pray for safety as they travel to Australia today for Home Assignment. **Nick & Kysha Davies** thank God for the encouragement of the *Desarrollo Cristiano* conference on Ephesians. Pray that missionaries-in-training at the ECAMM conference in Cusco would enjoy digging deeper into the Bible's big story. **Grahame & Patty Scarratt** pray for the legal changes being made to the LCC Trust. Give thanks for the trust's support of *Libros Gran Panorama* and pray for its continued enabling of the ministry into the future.

## MONDAY 26 – ARGENTINA

**Peter & Terry Blowes** pray for grace and wisdom as they return to work in Argentina. Pray that God would provide the right flat for their wellbeing and effective ministry. Pray for **Martin & Julie Field** as they prepare for Home Assignment, especially Jacob who has important exams just before they leave. Pray for their housing arrangements while they are away. **Amy Stephens** gives thanks for the opportunity to attend an IFES student worker conference in Bogotá, Colombia this month. Pray for safe travel, and a fruitful and edifying time.

## TUESDAY 27 – NORTH AUSTRALIA

Pray for **Wayne Oldfield & Mandy Jones** on a trip to Central Australia to meet with church leaders and enrol students for Nungalinya College from remote Lutheran and Baptist communities. **Tavis & Kate Beer** pray for wisdom as they plan for next year. **Terry & Liz McCoy** praise God for answering prayers for the trauma healing training and for finishing well on Groote. Pray for Christians on Groote and Bickerton as they plan and prepare Christmas services. **Matt & Lisa Pearson** pray for wisdom as they raise their children and learn to relate to others in Kunwinjku. **Derek & Rosemary Snibson** give thanks for a rich time of learning

and relationships in Ngukurr. Pray for the ongoing church ministry there, and for God's guidance as they return to Darwin and find strategic accommodation for future ministry. **Chris & Karen Webb** pray for wisdom for Chris as he encourages and supports two church leaders in the Yiyili community. **Matt & Kate Vinicombe** pray for the logistics of moving north, especially the purchase of a suitable car and sorting through their things.

## WEDNESDAY 28 – VANUATU, FIJI & PAPUA NEW GUINEA

**Keith & Marion Birchley** pray for an enriching time of fellowship and training for the PNG students coming to the National Training Event in Canberra. **Joel & Tiffanie Atwood** pray for the ECF leadership retreat, and for clarity of vision and unity of purpose for the team in 2019. Thank God for teaching and preaching opportunities on campuses and at a pastoral theology conference in Fiji.

## THURSDAY 29 – CMS BRANCHES

**NSW & ACT:** Pray for the Summer School missionary prep weekend on 8–9 December. Pray for safety for those flying into the country and good times of refreshment as they meet together.

**QNSW:** Pray for the recruitment of more volunteers for the children and youth programs at Summer School 2019. Pray that God would provide the right people to serve.

**SANT:** Pray for the recruitment and training of a new gospel worker support coordinator. Pray that God would raise up someone of character, conviction and competency for the position, who is the right fit for the staff team and CMS.

**TAS:** Give thanks for the October AGM and David Painter's preaching and deputation. Pray for wisdom for the new branch council. Pray for the couple offering for missionary service as they move through the processes and interviews.

**VIC:** Pray for God's direction as the branch considers revamping their *Prayer Fuel* and *Branch Matters* publications, with hopes to implement changes in the first half of 2019.

**WA:** Pray for God's guidance as the branch plans the initial Home Assignments of their new missionaries.

## FRIDAY 30 – CMS FELLOWSHIP

Pray with **CMS Tasmania** for strong ongoing relationships between churches and CMS, particularly those visited by Scott and K this month in preparation for K's departure to South Asia. Pray for more churches to be convicted of their part to play in God's mission and to have a desire to support new candidates offering themselves for missionary service to CMS.

**Former Missionaries' Fellowship:** Praise God for the life and ministries of former CMS missionaries who have now entered the Lord's paradise: **John Dowe**, who served the Lord with his wife, Clare, in the Solomon Islands (1990–97), died in Brisbane on 8 August, age 86; **Maude Drewery**, who served the Lord in the Northern Territory (1973–75), died in Brisbane on 31 August; and **Peter Barnes**, who served the Lord with his wife, Margaret, in Tanzania (1969–82), died in Katoomba on 19 September, age 76. Pray for their bereaved families and friends, and for those whose lives they touched.