

Devotional

Hi wonderful Prayer Partners,

The following is taken from a message from Dr David Jeremiah, Turning Point Ministries.

Mercy & Grace

"Mercy withholds the knife from the heart of Isaac.

Grace provides a ram in the thicket. (Genesis 22 : 11 - 14)

Mercy runs to forgive the prodigal.

Grace throws a party with a robe, a ring, and a fatted calf.

(Luke 15 : 20 - 24)

Mercy hears the cry of the thief on the cross.

Grace promises paradise that very day. (Luke 23 : 39 - 43)

Mercy converts Paul on the road to Damascus.

Grace calls him to be the great apostle. (Acts 9: 1 - 6, 17)

Mercy closes the door to hell.

Grace opens the door to heaven. (Ephesians 2 : 8-9)

And the difference between mercy and grace is this

Mercy withholds from us what we deserve.

Grace gives us what we do not deserve. (Romans 5 : 20) "

By God's grace we are set apart, for his purposes. By his grace nothing can separate us from the love of God.

AMAZING GRACE ! - Thank you Jesus for everything you have done and continue to do for us. We love you !

"When the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. " Titus 3 : 4 - 7. (NIV)

"Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. " Hebrews 4 : 16 (NIV)

Love and blessings - Jane

International Prayer News

Prayer requests

- for God to meet all the needs of each International Centre and their ministry and richly bless the Directors, all the staff, volunteers and the ministries they assist.

- for all Directors to lead and manage the growth of MMM and their staff well and be filled with patience, love and encouragement and share this with others.

- for God's protection and blessings on those from MMM working on a project in China this month.

- for safe travel home for everyone who attended the special, thanksgiving 20th Anniversary celebrations in Hong Kong.

New Zealand

Prayer requests

- for Barry and Jocelyn Stevenson as they man the office while Howard and Ave Robinson (*Director*) are away on leave.

- for safe travel home from China on November 11th for the Robinsons and for them to feel refreshed.

-for good attendance and wonderful reunions, at the Celebration Barbecue, celebrating 20 years of serving Fiji being held on December 17th, at the MMM Centre, Pirongia.

- for inspiration for Ave Robinson as she prepares the next issue of the MMM News magazine due out in December.

Fiji

Praise

- for the nine team members from Te Awamutu Bible Chapel who served in Fiji last month and the huge blessing they were to the Coral Coast Christian Camp.

Prayer requests

- for Jarrod Alexander and a couple of local guys as they start work on the home of Pastor Paula on November 13th and five guys from C3 church joining them on the 15th for two days.

Zambia

Prayer requests-

for Florence (*Director*) to know your wisdom with all decisions and for God to provide all the needs to grow the ministry.

- for the steel rolling machine at MMM Zambia to be able to be sold now that it is operational.

Hong Kong

Prayer request

- for the staff of MMMHK to be very encouraged after the recent 20th Anniversary and know God's leading for the future.

South Africa

Prayer request

- for safety for Neil Eichsdadt, (*South Africa Projects Manager*) as he travels to oversee different projects around South Africa.

PrayerForce

November 2017



MMMAustralia

1 Praise God Almighty for his wonderful faithfulness and goodness to MMM. Give thanks for our volunteers who have blessed MMM with time, skills, resources and prayers.

2 WA Pray for quick access to knee surgery for fulltime, staff member, Rod Heape. Pray for a “permanent Australian resident visa” to be processed and granted to Bre Beard (*the wife of WA Manager’s son Jake*) so she is able to gain employment. Pray for a greater number of volunteers to take up the challenge to become more active in their involvement in the ministry of MMM.

3 VIC Pray for God’s peace and sustaining for Associate Marilyn Wilson with her husband Ian going to be with the Lord late last month. Pray for God to bring forward those who are willing and able to provide financial assistance for Geoff Jarvis who has left his employment to work fulltime as Region Manager and lead some teams on projects initially. Give thanks for more projects being completed.

4 SA Pray for a reigniting of passion in people to be involved with MMM in SA so projects can be done there. Pray for needed team members to commit to helping on a large painting project for Christian radio station LIFE-FM in SA so it can commence in late January 2018. Pray that a team can return to Happy Valley to extend the ramps to the toilets.

5 NSW Pray for safety on the Katoomba Convention project starting on November 13th. Pray for the planning of the Annual luncheon to be held at Wyee on November 25th, safe travel for those attending and a great time of praise, fellowship and meeting the Jacksons. Praise God for Greg and Robyn Jackson taking on the Manager’s role for the NSW region. Pray for God’s peace and provisions for them.

6 Praise God for the safe arrival of Ruby Grace on September 27th, baby number four (*first daughter*) for our Board Chairman, Shane Prior and his wife Talia. Pray for God’s protection and rich blessings on the Prior family. Pray for God’s wisdom for Shane as chairman of the Board.

7 Pray for a person of God’s choosing to come forward to be the National Prayer Co-ordinator as Jane is stepping down from this role at the end of 2017.

8 Pray for God’s wisdom, guidance sustaining and blessings for Terrence Baxter (*CEO*). Give thanks for Rachel Littlechild (*his PA*) and Finance Manager, Diane Jenkins. Praise God for our wonderful Managers and all they do in this role.

9 VIC Praise God for the recognition of excellence, to the wider community, of what those in MMM do and the impact our work and workers have with MMM winning the Community Awards, not for profit section, of the 2017 Whitehorse Business Group awards. Pray for interested volunteers for a Safari next year.

10 TAS Give thanks for Shane and Ruth Goelst and for them commencing as Tasmania’s fulltime volunteer Managers. Pray for God’s wisdom, peace and blessings on them and their family. Pray for great fellowship and unity with their Committee members and for them to encourage more volunteers and Associates to become involved. Pray for many to come and meet the Goelsts at the MMM Centre, Perth, on November 18th and develop great mutual support.

11 Thailand Praise God for a team of students and teachers from Tyndale Christian school in Sydney coming for two weeks to complete the painting of the Boy’s Home that Pedro was project managing for the Shoulder2Shoulder Foundation.

12 Pray for the MMM Board members to know God’s clear guidance with all decisions they make to govern MMM. Pray for his protection and rich blessings on them.

13 Pray for a great response to the mailed Associate’s letter regarding fees and involvement in one or more of the five key areas of support. Pray for a person to take on the role of National Associates Co-ordinator.

14 VIC Give thanks for all who donated items for the Garage Sale and everyone who assisted over two Saturdays of sales. Praise God for the funds raised. Pray for some items, to be listed on eBay, to receive great interest and a good purchase price. Pray for God’s guidance for the Committee and his favour on planning future fundraising ventures, especially the annual dinner in March 2018.

15 Pray for more prayer groups to be formed and meet regularly at each Region Centre and other locations. Praise God for all who faithfully pray for MMM’s work and workers. May the Holy Spirit guide their praying.

16 Pray for all MMM staff and volunteers to “Give themselves fully to the work of the Lord because they know their labour in the Lord is not in vain.” *1 Corinthians 15 : 58*. Pray for God’s protection and blessings on them all.

17 Pray for all in MMM who may be unwell or grieving the loss of a loved one at this time. “May your un-failing love be my comfort, according to your promise.” *Psalms 119 : 76*.

18 Pray for God’s blessings, favour and encouragement for all the organizations MMM undertakes projects for and for each ministry to be very fruitful in their kingdom building endeavours. Praise God for all our project team members.

19 Thailand Praise God for Palita and Pedro and the project to provide Palita’s elderly grandma with a western toilet, inside her house, as she has difficulty walking downstairs due to a broken leg that has not had the required surgery.

20 QLD Pray for suitable volunteers to commit to the 2018 Safari. For all the planning of projects and the schedule, by the Coopers and Behrens, for this and the work until the end of this year. Pray for God’s sustaining and encouragement for John Cooper with his ongoing health issues.

1 John 2:17 *The world and its desires pass away but the man who does the will of God lives forever.*