# Devotional

#### Philippians 4:6 "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

How often, when we bring our petitions before God are we in a state of anxiety, often because we can't see 'how' God will resolve our issue.

How prudent it is that Paul advises the believers in Philippi to *"Be anxious for nothing"* as a starting place for bringing their requests to God. We need to understand in our hearts that God has everything under control, and He has an answer for everything. When we pray, we should trust God even when we don't know how or when God will answer our request.

I know in my life there are plenty of times when I'm anxious to see the full plan, to know the in's & out's of how God is going to work out a situation. What is really happening is I'm trying to do God's work rather that trust in Him. "Faith is trusting God even when we don't understand His plan!"

For the times when we don't hear an answer we have faith as the support to see our needs met. *"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen"*! God doesn't always reveal His plans to us, he doesn't always give us an answer to our prayers in the way with think or the time we expect. We should not be anxious about this.

I wish that God would just give us everything we need for MMM right when we ask, but that isn't how God works. We just need to trust him, and know that His plan is perfect. I'm trying not to be anxious about it!

Much Blessings

Terrence Baxter.

# International Prayer News

#### International:

### <u>New Zealand:</u>

**Pray for** the MMM Team in New Zealand as they faithfully 'serve those who serve.' Pray for Howard and Ave Robinson as they lead the mission there.

**Pray for** Doug Carson as Board Chairperson for MMM NZ. Pray for wisdom & blessing in every part of his life.

**Pray for** the NZ finances, that God will provide above and beyond their needs. *"Rivers of Finance"* 

### <u>Zambia:</u>

**Pray for** Florence N-Kaniki that she will experience great support from the MMM Zambia Board. Pray she will know every blessing and the richness of God's support in every area of need.

**Pray for** the finances of MMM Zambia. Pray for good stewardship, and for long term strategies to support the work.

**Pray for** the MMM Zambia Board, pray for Board Chairperson Edwidge Lungwebungu. Pray for wisdom and insight.

# <u>Hong Kong:</u>

**Pray for** Andrew Wong as he leads the Hong Kong team. Pray for great wisdom as he looks to transition to a new leader. Pray for the right leader to step up.

**Pray for** incoming Board Chairperson - Andrew Wong. Pray for the upcoming meetings in late April with MMM Australia CEO Terrence Baxter.

# <u>Thailand:</u>

**Pray that** the funds needed to purchase the land in Chiang Rai will be provided. Pray for the team there, and pray for the Board meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

# PrayerForce April 2018



# **MMMAustralia**

#### **PrayerForce**

#### Philippians 4: 6(b) ".... let your requests be made known to God."

#### PrayerForce

Pray for those who don't attend church regularly who attended Church services over the Easter period. Pray that they will find great meaning and purpose through the Easter message, and that they will come to know Christ in a deeper way.

2 Pray for John and Anne Cooper. Pray that John's health will improve, that solutions to his ongoing heart issues will be forthcoming. Pray that surgery will be guided by God and he will know his hands of protection around them both. Pray for Anne as she supports John through this stressful time.

**3** Pray for Jason Blockey in the Northern Territory as he assist with the production of TeamNews and supports the work of MMM in the NT. Pray for Jason as he takes on a new job with Blackwoods Ltd. as their NT representative.

Pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter as he travels this month to Thailand and Hong Kong for meetings with Boards, Staff, and missional leaders in these countries. Pray for safe travel and endurance to do all that is necessary. Pray for the Board and staff meetings in Thailand that God's presence and guidance will prevail.

**5** Pray for our MMM Projects Manager in Thailand -Pedro. Pedro has been suffering from gout and has experienced a lot of discomfort with this condition. Pray for healing, and to be free from pain. Pray also for Palita as she prepares for the Annual General Meeting in late April, pray also that God blesses and prospers her English School to support her work with MMM.

6 Pray for the position of National Associates Coordinator, pray that God will prompt the right person to take up this role for MMM. Pray for all our associates to be effective in their area of service. Pray also for a National Prayer coordinator, that the right person will know God's leading. 7 Pray for the team in Tasmania as they begin to take on more projects across the Apple Isle. Pray for Shane & Ruth as leaders in this region that they will know God's provision in every area. Pray for John & Diane de-Jonge and Darrel & Glenys House who serve faithfully on the Tasmanian Committee

**8** Praise God for the faithfulness of the MMM supporters who have given generously at recent fundraising events in WA, QLD, and Vic. Pray for the Victorian Fundraising dinner on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**9** Pray for the MMM Team in New Zealand as they faithfully serve those who serve. Pray for Howard and Ave Robinson as they lead the mission there. Pray for Doug Carson as Board Chairperson for MMM NZ.

**10** Pray for the Diane Jenkins *(MMM Finance Manager)* as she undergoes chemotherapy for cancer treatment. Pray for a total healing and that she makes a full recovery and is back into life as usual - as soon as possible. Pray for Jennifer Ho who is assisting with our Finance administration during Diane's absence.

Pray for growth in our MMM Associates Programme, pray that new volunteers will link in with MMM in a more substantive way and commit to key areas of our operations in their service for the Lord through MMM.

12 Pray for Greg & Robyn Jackson as the get more and more involved in the depths of work as Region Managers in NSW. Pray they will experience the joy of service and peace of knowing that God has them right where he needs them.

**13** Pray for the Victorian Committee who support the leadership of Geoff Jarvis. Praise God for Owen and Jane Bayliss, and for David Graham *(Committee Chairperson)*. Pray they will know every blessing, joy, and wisdom in their service for the Lord

Psalms 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God"

**14** Continue to Pray for Geoff Jarvis as region manager for Victoria/South Australia. Pray for strength, endurance, and wisdom as he leads in this ministry. Pray that God supplies all his needs and that he will want for nothing.

15 Pray for the finances of MMM Australia. Pray for God to stir the hearts of His people to give generously to the work of MMM. Pray that we can achieve a balanced budget this year. Pray for our general donations and support to increase, and for God's blessing on all our fundraising efforts.

16 Pray for June Dawson in Nowra NSW to know healing from the causes of severe back pain. Pray also for Peter Taylor as he recovers from recent back surgery.

17 Praise God for the purchase of a property in Chiang Rai in northern Thailand. Pray for the finances to be donated, pray for a smooth purchase process with local government and the current landowner.

**18** Pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter, that God will continue to give him great wisdom in dealing with the day-to-day issues across the organisation. Pray for the right people to come alongside him to support and assist.

19 Praise God for the work of Ian Dawson who looks after our national WH&S processes. Pray for Ian as he keeps up with all the relevant legislation and compliance necessary to keep our workers and volunteers safe and protected.

**20** Pray for each of the MMM Australia Board members. Shane Prior, Melanie McGrice, John Peberdy, Matthew Smith, Rod McGarvie, and Dale Richardson. Pray for wisdom, insight, and integrity in their governance and vision for MMM.