

## Devotional

### My Joy is Complete!

Right at the start of this short message I need to state that my joy is not dependent on circumstances, if that were the case I might be in a very sad state all of the time. It's too easy to allow circumstances to dictate our feelings.

I'm encouraged by the passage from John 15:11 where Jesus is talking to his disciples about Love:

*These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.*

Jesus' encouragement to his disciples was that His Joy would be in them, when we realise this we come to the understanding that our joy doesn't come from our circumstances it comes from the Lord, and when we experience His joy in our lives 'our joy' is "full" or complete.

My least enjoyable part of my job is being tied to my desk in Melbourne doing budgets, but it just needs to be done, I would much prefer to be out and about talking with people! Perhaps there are times when we find ourselves labouring on tasks for hours or days that we just don't enjoy doing, but we are doing it because God has called us to it. In our previous PrayerForce edition I encouraged you from Colossians 3:23;

*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters"*

To be honest, one of the most joyful components of my role at MMM is when I see people rising to the challenge of serving God in their God given gifting; so it's with great joy that I'm able to advise that Helen Bell from Western Australia will be taking over as National Prayer Co-ordinator in the coming weeks. "My Joy is Complete"! Not because it's another task I no longer need to do, but because I see what God is doing through people like Helen (*and Graham*) as they fulfil His will and purpose.

I hope that your joy is complete also.

Much Blessings

**Terrence Baxter.**

## International Prayer News

### New Zealand:

Pray for the supply of finances for the purchase of the Pirongia property where there base has been for many years. Praise God for significant financial donations committed so far.

Pray for National Directors Howard & Ave Robinson. Pray for their health and wellbeing, pray for a flood of joy to fill their hearts. Pray for God to meet their every need.

Pray for Doug Carson and the MMM New Zealand Board members as they serve God in their gifting and calling. Pray for Doug as he chairs the MMM New Zealand Board.

### Zambia:

Give thanks for the wonderful 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of MMM Zambia in late July. Praise Him for his presence and provision.

Continue to pray for the finances of MMM in Zambia. Pray that good stewardship and wisdom will bear much fruit and see all debt retired. Pray that they will have every need met (*even before they ask*).

Pray for the Board of MMM Zambia. Pray for Edwich Lungwebungu as Board Chairperson and all of the MMM Zambia Board members as they serve God together.

### Hong Kong:

Pray for Andrew Wong as he leads MMM HK as National Director. Pray also for Lolita Chan as she supports the work through her gift of administration. Pray that everyone serving in MMM HK will know God's hand on everything they do.

Pray for new volunteers to work on MMM projects. Pray for much growth in every area of MMM HK.

### Thailand:

Pray for Pedro who continues to suffer with gout at this time. Pray for a total healing from this painful condition.

Keep praying for Palita as she works though the government bureaucracy to purchase the land.

Pray for the planning for a service of dedication and commissioning for the new property to be held in late September.

# PrayerForce

## August 2018



# MMM Australia

**1** Pray for great outcomes from the MMM International Alliance meetings just completed in Zambia. Pray for Terrence Baxter and John Peberdy as they travel home, that their travels will be safe and without delays.

**2** Praise God for His provision of our new National Prayer Co-ordinator. Give thanks for Helen Bell (*and Graham*) who have answered Gods call in this vital role for MMM Australia. Pray for Helen and Graham as they transition into this role over the next months.

**3** Continue to pray for John Cooper in Queensland as he deals with his heart issues, pray that the delays experienced because of hospital bureaucracy will have no negative impact on a God ordained outcome. We pray for peace and recovery, we pray for God's guidance and wisdom for the cardio specialist John is seeing.

**4** Pray for each of our Region Managers. Pray for God's provision for their every need; pray also for wisdom and strength as they manage the various activities of MMM in their regions. Pray for Shane & Ruth Goelst, Greg & Robyn Jackson, John & Anne Cooper, Geoff Jarvis, Trevor & Karen Beard.

**5** Continue to pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter in his busy schedule around the nation, pray for his as he speaks at various events and conferences in August. Pray that the message of 'serving those who serve' will have great impact and be fruitful for the work of MMM. Pray for the meetings he attends with other mission heads that these will be positive and impacting for the Kingdom of God.

**6** Pray for John and Joyce Blade as they lead the Northern Safari team as they work on projects in the Northern Territory and Western Australia. Pray for wisdom and insight regarding each and every project; pray for safety and protection as they work and as they travel the vast distances around our nation's top end.

**7** Pray for the planning and preparations for our "National Day of Prayer" on September Sunday September 9th. Pray that churches touched by MMM recently will uphold us in pray for us. Pray that your church will also support us in prayer on that day.

**8** Pray for our finances, that God will provide for all our needs through his grace and mercy. Pray for Diane and Rachel as they administer the banking and accounting practices. Pray for our fundraising teams as they serve God in their gifts and skills. Pray for good stewardship of every dollar we are entrusted with.

**9** Pray for Noel Taylor and the Build-A-Bond team as they plan out the various opportunities for our rolled steel projects in Australia and overseas. Pray for project opportunities with Wycliffe in West Papua, One Salt Water in Vanuatu & Habitat for Humanity in Australia.

**10** Pray for John and Diane de Jonge as they serve God in Tasmania. Pray for them to know both wisdom and blessing in their service for God as MMM volunteers in Tasmania.

**11** Pray for all of our Team Leaders as they manage the various projects around the nation. Pray for more leaders to be developed and released into fruitful service in the work of MMM.

**12** Pray for the MMM International Alliance Board as they seek to grow the unity and fellowship on the various MMM Member Centres around the world. Pray for the national leaders in each Member Centre. Pray for the work of MMM to grow and expand in new mission fields around the world.

**13** Pray for more prayer partners and more prayer fellowships in MMM across Australia. Pray again for Helen Bell as National Prayer co-ordinator, pray for insight & God given ideas in facilitating the MMM prayer ministry.

**14** Pray for the finances of MMM Australia. Pray that God will provide the finances to balance the budget in this financial year. Pray that the generous spirit of God will erupt in the organisations we do projects for, that they will bless MMM financially through the grace of God.

**15** Pray for our Board members, that they will know His presence in all they do.

**16** Pray for opportunities to share the vision and mission of MMM in churches in every area of Australia. Pray for gifted ambassadors for MMM who can succinctly and clearly present the MMM message and for it to inspire a new generation of MMM volunteers and supporters.

**17** Pray for our MMM Associates programme as it grows in numbers and importance. Pray for a national co-ordinator for the Associates programme to administer this significant MMM ministry.

**18** Praise God for the support of those who give financially to the work of MMM Australia. Praise him for the heart of generosity He instils in His believers that allows the work of the gospel to continue and grow. Pray for God's blessing on everyone who supports MMM financially.

**19** Pray for the Christian Campsites across the nation as they impact the lives of everyone who uses their facilities. Pray for Graeme Janes as he leads Christian Venues Australia as CEO. Pray that everyone at CVA will know the blessing of a loving God on the work of their hands as they focus on their ministry and purpose.

**20** Pray for the chairpersons of our regional committee's for all they do in supporting the region Managers. Pray for the regional committee's as they co-ordinate the various activities at a state level.