

## Devotional

God is our source.

Matt 11:28 "Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

As we get nearer to the end of the year I have been reflecting on the past few months. The blessings we have had and the trials that came our way. In all of this I am always encouraged that we can know where the source of our strength lies.

In Ps 121:2 we are reminded to rest in Him, to rely on Him, He will never let us down. In a busy lifestyle as the shops get busier, some people struggle with anxiety, depression, financial pressure and loneliness. The world more than at any other time needs to know the Lord, needs to know the richness of a relationship with the Father.

We can see many incidences where people in the Bible have been able to rest in the Lord, depend on His support, and draw on His strength in situations of anxiety and pressure.

Picture David, the shepherd boy watching over the sheep. While it is perhaps the idealic situation, resting, reclining on a hillside, green pastures, birds singing, fresh air. David would rest and renew his strength in the Lord knowing that at any time the situation could change and action to ward off danger would be required.

David had grown up knowing the Lord, knowing the importance of the relationship, knowing where his strength came from. He did not hesitate to call upon the Lord and the Lord always came to him. Although he didn't know his Goliath was still to come, he did know where his strength came from.

Isa 40:31a "Those that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength..."

Let us be encouraged to rest and relax in Him more often. This puts us in good stead for anything that comes along in daily living.

I pray a blessing on all of you that you will be refreshed, renewed in strength and rested in the Lord.

Much Blessings

**Helen Bell.**

## International Prayer News

Pray for the MMM International Alliance as they work to complete the ministry agreements that bind our national organisations together.

New Zealand

Pray for Howard and Ave Robinson in their role as National Director of MMM New Zealand.

Pray for the Board of MMM New Zealand as they have their Board meeting on Thursday December 13th. Pray for wisdom and blessing to be evident in every discussion.

Pray for new leaders to volunteer for the work in Fiji.

Zambia:

Pray for Florence N-Kaniki as she leads the work in Zambia. Pray for wisdom and guidance as she completes plans for MMM Zambia in 2019.

Pray for the staff and volunteers in MMM Zambia as they faithfully serve in the various aspects of MMM's ministry throughout Zambia. Pray that God supplies all their needs.

Hong Kong:

Pray for Andrew Wong as he leads the MMM Hong Kong team. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the Hong Kong Board.

Pray for New Board members for MMM Hong Kong, pray that faithful men and women of great wisdom and insight will be inspired to join the Mission and lead through practical example.

Thailand:

Pray for the court hearing to finalise the purchase of the Thailand property on December 19th. Pray that the government of Thailand will add its approval for the purchase to proceed.

Pray for the Board of MMM Thailand, that they will know the blessing of God in each of their lives.

South Africa:

Pray for Neil & Maree Eichstadt as they administer all projects in east Africa on behalf of MMM South Africa. Pray for their finances, travel, and safety as they faithfully serve.

# PrayerForce

## December 2018



# MMM Australia

**1** Pray for the Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday December 7th. Pray for a time of unity, purpose and direction as the Annual Accounts are presented to the membership of MMM.

**2** Pray for volunteers to come forward to assist at Dandenong Baptist Church and Sandringham Baptist Church so these projects can be completed in early December.

**3** Pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter as he visits with MMM New Zealand in Mid-December. Pray for the MMM NZ Board meeting which he will be attending, and for discussions with MMM NZ National Director Howard Robinson

**4** Pray for Rachel Littlechild for renewed strength and refreshing as she manages a very full workload. Pray a blessing for Sarah Boswell & Flora Fung as they come to their first Christmas in MMM. Give thanks and pray for refreshing for Kim Roediger, Noel Taylor, Dave Kenyon & Sutha Jayanthan.

**5** Pray for our National Prayer Co-ordinator, Helen Bell as she continues to delve deeper into the life and needs of MMM. Pray that both Helen and Graham will know the joy of Christmas and the peace of God throughout the holiday period.

**6** Pray for the Board of MMM as they transition following the AGM. Pray for each of the Board members as they plan for their service throughout 2019. Pray that God will also lead godly men and women of great experience and wisdom to service on the Board in key areas of need.

**7** Pray for the finances of MMM Australia, that God will provide through his faithful people the resources necessary to operate the Mission effectively. Pray specifically for finances to operate a balanced budget in 2018/19.

**8** Pray for Geoff Jarvis, Ian Knowles & Trevor Beard as they plan the Safari from Victoria, through SA and WA, commencing July 2019. Pray for the organizing of each project and wisdom in planning, pray for volunteers to participate, pray that volunteers with the right skills will be moved by God to join the Safari.

**9** Pray for all of our volunteers and staff to have a restful time over the Christmas/New Year period. Pray for safety on the roads, and for each one to enjoy a blessed time celebrating Christmas with family and friends.

**10** Pray for a national co-ordinator for the Associates programme to take up the challenge of administering this significant ministry. Pray for our MMM Associates programme as it grows in numbers and importance to our overall operations.

**11** Pray for Palita and Pedro in Northern Thailand as they continue in their daily service for MMM.

**12** Tasmania is in the process of organising a safari in January for team building. The aim is to boost volunteer numbers and create an enthusiastic team spirit. Please Pray for wisdom and discernment for Shane & Ruth to make good choices.

**13** Pray for those considering attending the Missions Awareness Tour of Thailand in 2019 that God will inspire and encourage a great team to visit Thailand in the second half of 2019.



**14** Pray for the chairpersons of our regional committee's for all they do in supporting the role of our region Managers. Pray for the regional committee's as they co-ordinate the various activities at a state level. Pray for Paul Barnham (*NSW*), Hendrik Alberts (*WA*), Graham Kapinga (*QLD*), David Graham (*VIC*) & John de Jonge (*TAS*).

**15** Pray for the success of the Livestock Partnership program. Initially pray for farmers to be sourced to participate in this venture. Secondly, pray for the promotion of the program and details in such a way to capture the imagination of supporters.

**16** Pray for wisdom for Adrian Behrens as he leads jobs in QLD over the next few months and for volunteers to be available to assist him. Pray for safety on the projects for all MMM teams.

**17** 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.

**18** Pray for Flora Fung, our new Finance Manager as she settles in and manages the finances.

**19** 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.

**20** Pray that everyone in MMM will enjoy a season of rest and restoration over the holiday season coming up. Pray for renewed vision, renewed creative ideas and refreshed enthusiasm.