

Devotional

Eccles 9:10 “Whatever you find to do with your hands, do it with all your might,your heartyour strength”



Many believers find that prayer, can be one of the hardest things. The praying hand is an easy way to remember five essential aspects of prayer:

Confession, Petition, Intercession, Thanksgiving and Praise.

Prayer is ultimately about aligning our own hearts with Gods, and just as we breathe, praises to God should permeate every part of our prayer.

The little finger represents **confession** – I agree with God about my sin. I John 1:9 “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness”

The ring finger represents **petition** – ask God to provide for our needs. I Samuel 1:27 – “I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him”.

The middle finger represents **intercession** – I ask God to provide for the needs of others. Ephesians 6:18-19 “And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lords people.

Then comes **thanksgiving** – I thank God for what He has done in, through, and for me. I also thank Him for His answers to prayers in the lives of those around me and for His ongoing work across the nation and the world.

And finally the thumb represents **praise** – I let my enjoyment and adoration of God overflow into words. As the thumb is able to touch all four other fingers, so praise should permeate every part of my prayer life. Ps 146: 1-2 “Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, my soul. I will praise the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live”.

Blessings

Helen Bell

International Prayer News

New Zealand:

Pray for Howard Robinson in his role as National Director of MMM New Zealand.

Pray for the MMM New Zealand team as they prepare for 25th anniversary celebrations later this year. Praise God for the many projects that have been completed over that 25 year period.

Pray for volunteers and the planning of two projects in Fiji in May and June.

Zambia:

Pray for Florence N-Kaniki as she leads the work in Zambia. Pray for wisdom and guidance as she leads MMM to make a difference in their community.

Pray for more staff and volunteers to serve in the various aspects of MMM's ministry throughout Zambia.

Hong Kong:

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

Pray for more volunteers to work on projects in this region.

Thailand:

Pray for the finalisation of the property purchase which was approved by the Thai Courts in December, Pray for Palita as she handles the final paperwork.

Pray for Palita and Pedro's health that they will feel the healing touch of God on their lives.

South Africa:

Pray for Neil & Maree Eichstadt as they focus on a full year ahead of projects in East Africa. Pray for their finances, travel, and safety as they faithfully serve.

PrayerForce

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MMM Australia

1 Praise God for the wonderful support each state experiences from local community and volunteers. Pray for those states that are holding their fundraiser dinners in March. These events are a chance to get together and encourage each other as well as enjoy a fundraiser auction, guest speaker and a sumptuous dinner. Please pray that these events will be well attended, enjoyed by all and successful in fundraising.

2 Pray for Terrence Baxter as he continues on his busy schedule as CEO of Australia. Pray for traveling mercies and financial provision for all the trips he has committed to.

3 Pray for the Mitcham office staff and volunteers as they continue to cope with a busy workload. Pray for direction in all they do. Pray for blessing for each and every one.

4 Pray for the health of all our regular volunteers. Pray for Joy Wells & Gwen Pulsford as they continue with health issues. Pray for safety on all the site projects for all of our teams as they faithfully put their hands to work; "serving those who serve".

5 Please Pray for up and coming projects in NSW, Glenn Innes Uniting Church is being helped with external painting and fence construction. Tenterfield Presbyterian church is also in need of external painting. Pray for enough helpers to come forward to make these projects possible.

6 Please pray for all Region Managers for the ongoing planning for projects from March to September and team members to join these projects.

7 Pray for the up and coming project in Kingston Tasmania. Volunteers are needed for general maintenance to the facilities to be completed.

8 Pray for the safety and success of the MMM project team working in Vanuatu on the "One Salt Water" Medical Clinic. Pray for safety in all aspects of the build. Pray that each stage of the build goes well, pray for timely delivery of each completed section of the build also praying for energy, enthusiasm and good health for the team and all the helpers.

9 Pray for the right person to come forward to take the position of National Associates Coordinator. Pray for the MMM Associates programme as it grows in numbers and importance to our overall operations.

10 Praise God for the support of those who give financially to the work of MMM Australia. Pray for generosity in giving and support from local churches to enable MMM to continue fulfilling the works that are so desperately needed around the country.

11 Pray for the finances of MMM. Pray that God will continue to provide for our needs through the faithfulness of His people. Pray for the sponsors, for Gods prosperity and blessing on their gift of giving as they support the work of MMM with their finances.

12 Pray for the upcoming "Day of Prayer" Ask God "What can you do to be involved". Perhaps you could ask your local church to pray for MMM on the day Sunday 31st March. Please have a think about a time on the day that you would be willing to put aside to focus your prayer on MMM. More details will be issued soon.

13 Pray for the health of all our regular volunteers. Pray for Joy Wells & Gwen Pulsford as they continue with health issues. Pray for safety on all the site projects for all of our teams as they faithfully put their hands to work; "serving those who serve".

14 Please pray for John Cooper as he takes on projects by himself, pray for safety and pray for energy and good health.

15 Pray for the Board meeting on Thursday 28th March. Pray that the new chairman Dale Richardson has a smooth transition into the position of Chairman of the Board. Pray for the Board as they look to find skilled people to fill positions on the Board to enhance their knowledge and effectiveness in all the tasks ahead.

16 Continue to pray for the volunteers that have headed to Vanuatu, pray for Gods hand to be upon everyone to help with the change of food, change of culture and harmony on the site.

17 Pray for each of the Region Managers for guidance as this year ramps up with new projects. Please also pray for more volunteers to come along to support and help. These projects cannot be completed without the hands on the tools.

18 Pray for opportunities to spread the work of MMM with speaking guest spots at local churches, to promote the awareness of MMM and the work that it does for the wider church community.

19 Pray for Gods provision for all material needs, so vital to continue our operations and administration. Pray for provision from God in every area of need across MMM Australia.

20 Prayer for the WA Wildflower Safari planning and volunteers that have already signed up. Continue to pray for Geoff Jarvis and Trevor Beard as they continue to commit to projects along the way and organise all that is needed to make this a success.