### Devotional

**Heb I2:1** "Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders us.... And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

We are not alone, thankfully we do not run this race alone, here we are encouraged that there is a great cloud of witnesses, cheering us on, encouraging us to keep going, spurring us on to achieve the goal set before us.

No matter what, maintaining our faith, having longevity, not doubting but keeping our focus on the things above is sometimes not as easy as it sounds. Sometimes faith may seem fleeting, when waiting for that prayer to be answered.

Travelling together in Faith is much easier than travelling alone. When one falters the others can speak words of encouragement to keep going, to look ahead, so no one is left behind.

To be aware that "Without Faith, it is impossible to please God" is a mandate to each one of us.

Three tips that will help us as we endeavour to remain steadfast in faith are:

Remove.....Shake off.....Ignore

We need to remove ourselves from negative talk or activities that distract us in our faith walk.

We are to shake off any distractions that would take our eyes away from our goals in faith.

We are to learn to ignore anything that we cannot remove or shake off.

We remove ourselves from situations, so that we might pursue the calling to prayer.

We shake-off things that hinder us so we can fill ourselves with Gods purposes and His will.

After this if it cannot be removed or shaken off we must learn to ignore and remain focused on God.

This will help in our pursuit to continue to press in maintaining our faith, to see prayers answered.

Blessings

Helen Bell

## International Prayer News

#### New Zealand:

Pray for Howard and Ave Robinson as they lead the work in New Zealand. Pray for them as they seek more volunteers in the various areas and roles where help is needed

Pray for the preparations for the 25th Anniversary celebrations being held in September this year. Pray for guidance, wisdom, and vision for them as they plan ahead.

Pray for the outreach work of MMM NZ into Fiji. Fray for teams to go and for leaders to come forward.

#### Zambia:

Pray for God's provision of finances to sustain the work in Zambia.

Pray for Florence N-Kaniki as she leads the MMM Zambia team. Pray for wisdom, strength, and vision.

Pray for the students of the VTC in Ndola, that they will learn with diligence and go on to serve God through their skills and gifting's.

#### Hong Kong:

Pray for Andrew Wong and Terrence Baxter as they take the opportunity to catch up while Terry is transiting Hong Kong on April 13th.

Pray for the Board of MMM Hong Kong as they continue to seek God for direction and wisdom.

#### Thailand:

Pray for Palita who is suffering from a chronic heartburn condition. Pray for her total healing.

Pray for Pedro as he manages the various projects around the region. Pray for safety, wisdom, and endurance as he continues to serve God in MMM.

#### South Africa:

Pray for Neil Eichstadt as he administers projects across East Africa. Pray for his family to be safe and secure while he travels to remote project sites.

Pray for John Benn and the MMM SA Board. Pray they will find God's strategies to develop the work of MMM across South Africa with more volunteers in all areas of need.

# PrayerForce April 2019



# **MMMAustralia**

#### **PrayerForce**

#### Heb: 11.6 "Without faith it is impossible to please God"

#### PrayerForce

Praise God for his faithfulness to MMM, Praise him for the great outcomes from the Vanuatu project in March. Praise him for his protection and guidance on all projects where MMM is working.

2 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.

**3** Pray for the MMM Thailand Board and Annual General meetings. Pray for CEO Terrence Baxter as he travels to Chiang Rai to attend these and other meetings in Northern Thailand.

Pray for up and coming projects in Victoria, Volunteers are urgently needed to take on renovations to the Belgrave Heights Convention Centre and for other projects.

**5** Pray for volunteers to come forward in each of the states to enable projects to go ahead. Please pray for NSW as they prepare to renovate the Yarramundi Teen Challenge facility –Men's staff toilet & shower block.

 $\label{eq:basic} 6^{\text{Pray for the right person to take on the position} \\ \text{of National Associates Coordinator. Pray for the} \\ \text{MMM Associates programme as it grows in numbers} \\ \text{and importance to our overall operations.} \end{cases}$ 

**7** Pray for Terrence Baxter as he continues on his busy schedule as CEO of Australia. Pray for travelling mercies and financial provision for all the trips he has committed to. **8** 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.

**9** Please pray for John Cooper as he takes on projects by himself, pray for safety and pray for energy and good health. Pray a blessing of good health and prosperity on both John & Anne Cooper in Qld/NT.

**10** 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.

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.

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

13 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.

Always Be Joyful Never Stop Praying

1 Thess 5: 16

**14** Pray for safety on all the project sites, safety for all the volunteers and local helpers. Pray that the arrival of MMM teams will be a blessing to each community and each local church.

15 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.

16 Pray for the Easter services in churches and facilities where MMM has worked. Pray that many will come and worship over the Easter period.

17<sup>Please</sup> pray for Greg & Robyn Jackson in NSW, pray for energy, prosperity & volunteers to bless this faithful couple as they commit to projects.

**18** Pray for Peter and Rhonda Lewis who have volunteered to join the VIC/SA committee faith to help Geoff Jarvis.

**19** Praise God for the success of the region dinners held in QLD, WA and VIC in March. Praise God for the fellowship, the new friends made, creating networking and the success in fundraising.

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 commit to projects along the way and organise all that is needed to make this a success.