

## Devotional

### Wherever we are, God is there in the midst

Having travelled overseas recently I feel like I have been on an amazing adventure. Stepping out of my comfort zone of home, work, and community, crossing the globe to visit another land and another people. I was ever aware that God went with us, no matter where we go “there he is in the midst”.

I had the wonderful privilege of travelling with my youngest adult daughter Mary. We were re-visiting family and friends that we had not seen for twenty years.

The wonderful life we have in being a Christian is that, God went with us. God went before us, ahead of us and followed up the rear to protect us.

Having the assurance that wherever we are, whatever we do, God is with us is such a strength that we can rely on.

We travelled many miles and caught up with many people, had lots of hugs and exchanged lots of news.

In reflection over the conversations we had I realised that the couples I caught up with have all been doing the same as we have here. Living life, working, raising a family, having grandchildren and now coming up to retirement, managing to travel a little.

We're not any different in Australia or England or France or Thailand or New Zealand. We are all trying to live to our best, raise and nurture our children, work and pay the bills and welcome grandchildren.

The difference I found was in the people that have a level of faith in their lives of a relationship with God. The peace that flowed from them and the peace that surrounded them was evident and refreshing. It is wonderful to meet other Christians, to have that inner recognition of the same spirit.

And throughout it all, the privilege we have to go wherever, to do whatever and be blessed and know beyond any shadow of a doubt that God is there with us in the midst.

Blessings **Helen Bell**  
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## International Prayer News

September 2019 sees the gathering of the MMM International Alliance in New Zealand for the MMM IA Annual General Meeting. This will be a significant gathering to finalise the last component of the restructured organisation.

**Pray** for the gathering of the International Alliance Board as they finalise activities for the AGM.

**Pray** for safe travels for all delegates attending the MMM IA Meetings. Pray for visa's and travel documentation needed to be in place and correct and that all travel will be smooth and safe.

**Pray** for the annual general meeting, a time when the unifying ministry agreement will be finalised and ratified by all MMM Member Centres.

**Pray** for the Zambia delegates who have a significant travel burden to get to New Zealand.

**Pray** for the Hong Kong delegates as they deal with the current travel disruptions getting out of Hong Kong.

**Pray** for MMM Australia CEO & Board Chair who will be attending to represent Australia at these meetings.

**Pray** for the New Zealand team as they prepare and plan for the meetings.

**Pray** for MMM IA Board Chair – Rod McGarvie (*Australia*) who will be convening these significant meetings.

**Pray** for MMM New Zealand who are holding their 25th Anniversary celebrations to coincide with the International Alliance meetings. Pray for Howard and Ave Robinson as New Zealand National Directors as they carry the load of organising their celebrations and the International Alliance meetings.

Lastly, pray for unity and fellowship as we meet, discuss, plan, and pray together. Pray that the work and vision of MMM will be expanded as a result of these gatherings.

# PrayerForce

## September 2019



# MMM Australia

**1** Pray for Lyn & Peter Groves, Anne & John Cooper and other Qld workers, they are on their last job in Tara Qld, and are feeling very tired. Pray for encouragement, renewed strength and refreshing for each one.

**2** Pray for our CEO (*Terrence Baxter*) and Board Chair (*Dale Richardson*) as they travel to New Zealand for MMM International Alliance meetings in Mid-September

**3** Pray for the Wildflowers Safari team as they continue to work their way across the southern part of the continent from east to west and back again. Pray for safety and protection on the road and on project sites. Pray for good health of all on the team.

**4** Praise God for the wisdom and guidance of the MMM Board and the faithful service of each of the board members. Continue to pray for them as they serve God in the governance of MMM. Especially pray God's covering over the next Board meeting on Friday 6th September, that everything that is said and done is guided by the Lord.

**5** Pray for more project opportunities across Tasmania as they seek to fill their calendar with the most appropriate projects. Pray for organisations considering an application to know 'now is the time' to apply.

**6** Pray for the organisations and churches that we have visited and helped in the past. Many are remote and have small groups of faithful people, pray for refreshing, encouraging and prosperity.

**7** Pray for the upcoming project at Riverbend Youth Centre, Tasmania. Pray for wisdom for the team as they tackle this project.

**8** Pray for the finances of MMM across every area of our operations. Pray that God will provide the resources needed to operate the Mission sustainably. Pray for funding applications currently being considered by philanthropic trusts.

**9** Please pray for full time volunteer Rod Heape as he continues in his service for the Lord with MMM. Pray for him as he leads the WA component of the Wildflowers Safari. Pray for strength, good health, and blessing.

**10** Pray for Greg & Robyn Jackson as they lead the New South Wales team. Pray for continued healing for Greg, praise God for what he has done in restoring his health over the past 12 months. Pray for the support that the NSW leaders need in Fundraising and Ambassadors.

**11** Pray for new opportunities in the area of fundraising for MMM. Continue to pray for the state teams as they work hard on creative fundraising opportunities. Pray for people to serve in fundraising events across Australia.

**12** Pray for the preparation and planning for the 2019/20 budget for MMM Australia. Pray for insight and wisdom as the finance team along with the CEO plan out our income and expenditure for the coming year.

**13** Pray for Peter & Glenda Holliday as National Associates Co-ordinators. Pray for wisdom and direction as they seek to build on the existing Associates base and develop a thriving associates programme across Australia.

**14** Pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter as he administers the affairs of MMM at a national level. Pray for God's wisdom in all he brings to MMM, pray also for guidance and endurance as he serves the Lord.

**15** Pray for each of the Region Managers around the nation, that they will know the presence of God amidst the business of ministry. Pray for endurance, clear focus, wisdom, and much blessings every day.

**16** Pray for the family of Marie Ann Nelson as they cope with her passing, especially for her husband as he and his family try to navigate the path ahead for the next few weeks.

**17** Pray for the team working in the National Office; Flora Fung, Kim Roediger, Noel Taylor, Rachel Littlechild, Sutha Jayanthan, David Kenyon, and Terrence Baxter. Pray they will know God's blessing and strength as they serve Him.

**18** Our region teams are praying for more volunteers to share the workload, let's commit to praying with them. Pray for many new volunteers across the states, in all areas of our operations, Prayer, Admin, Fundraising, Projects & Ambassadors.

**19** Pray for the planning of a Build-A-Bond project in Dogura PNG for late 2020. Pray for the partnership with the Sydney Anglican Diocese as we plan ahead for this hospital ward to treat tuberculosis patients in the remote east of PNG.

**20** Praise God for the great response to the Missions Awareness Tour promotions. Pray for those who have registered for the November tour. Pray also for the Thai team as they prepare for this tour.