## Devotional

### Seek God's Direction

"When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of Heaven" (Nehemiah I:4).

When Nehemiah heard of what had happened to his beloved home city, how the walls were broken down and the people in disgrace, he wept and mourned. He immediately went into prayer and asked for God's direction on how he could be a positive impact on his city. He developed a strategy to rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and accomplished the task in only fiftytwo days.

Our cities, our nation and indeed our world are in a place of brokenness. Perhaps you yourself have wept for what you see happening and the impact it has had on you and your family. What has your response been? Do you want to have a positive impact during this crisis?

The example shown to us by Nehemiah is to fast and pray before the God of Heaven and seek His direction for us. God will guide us in what He wants us to do.

While we know that while we live here in this world we will have trouble, it is a fact of life. We can take courage in the words of Jesus "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)

Blessings,

Robyn Fedrick National Prayer Coordinator

### International Prayer News

The Covid-19 pandemic is impacting every MMM Centre in the same way. All are in lockdown or restricted movement, limiting any project work or activities to serve those who serve.

#### Our Global partners are New Zealand, Fiji, Hong Kong, Thailand, Zambia, and South Africa.

Pray for all of our global partners for their operations to resume safely as soon as possible.

Pray for their finances that God will continue to provide for their every need financially.

Pray for the leadership in each MMM Centre to know wisdom and strength through this difficult period.

Pray for the Governance Boards in each country to know God's leading and direction through these unprecedented times.

Pray for the workers and volunteers around the world that they will be kept safe from this virus and know good health and peace.

Pray also for a National Projects Manager for New Zealand, that the right person will respond to God's call and commit to an on-going appointment to support the work there.

Continue to Pray for a National Director to answer God's call in Hong Kong to lead the organisation. Pray also for new Board members for the team alongside Betty and the ongoing Board members.

Pray for Florence N-Kaninki as National Director in Zambia that they will soon be able to reopen the Vocational Training College in Ndola. Pray also for their finances that God will provide for every financial need.

# PrayerForce May 2020



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John 16:33b NIV: But take heart! I have overcome the world."

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Pray for our Board as they navigate through the labyrinth of issues and options associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for Godly wisdom and direction, Pray for unity and connectedness as they meet electronically. Pray also for Dale Richardson as Board Chair that he will know peace and rest amidst the noise and confusion.

**2** Pray for Gods protection on the physical and mental health of our MMM family and MMM supporters through this pandemic lockdown period. Pray they would know God's closeness and find their strength and joy in God. Pray for a deepening in their relationship with God during this season.

3 NSW – Please pray for our faithful volunteer Gwen Hall who has been unwell. Pray for God's healing touch on her body. Pray as she move's house that God will give her strength and peace and all the support she is in need of. Pray for Phill as he supports Gwen and manages the process of moving house.

Pray for our leaders in Government, our Prime Minister and National Cabinet, for Godly wisdom in the decisions they are making for our nation. Pray for unity and for strength to endure as they face tremendous pressures daily.

**5** QLD – Pray for the sale of garage sale items from their shed which they are advertising online. Pray they would sell successfully and at good prices. Pray for additional donations through this avenue.

6 Pray our people will seek God as they look to creative ways to fulfil our calling to 'serve those who serve' and that they will grow in their understanding of how God works and who He is. Pray that for every MMM volunteer this will be a season of deepening our relationship with our God. 7 WA – Pray for our Region Committee Chair, Hendrik Alberts, who is currently undergoing his 2nd round of chemotherapy for lung cancer. Pray for God's healing touch on his body, pray for God's peace and protection on him and his family. Praise God for no side effects at all during the 1st round of chemotherapy.

**8** Prayer for our monthly prayer groups which are now being conducted online via Zoom and other technologies. Pray for wisdom and sensitivity to the leading of the Holy Spirit as we pray. Praise God for a great start when we had over 20 join from around the nation for the April prayer fellowship.

**9** Pray for our CEO Terrence Baxter, as he leads our organisation. Pray for strength, wisdom and skills needed to lead this organisation through these challenging times. Pray also for guidance as he attempts to navigate the legal and government directives associated with the pandemic lockdown and compliance.

**10** Praise God for our new Board Member Dale Stevens, she is an answer to prayer! Pray for Dale as she uses her gift of communication and presentation in her position on the Board of MMM Australia.

Pray for our VIC/SA Region Manager Geoff Jarvis and his family. Geoff's mother recently passed away to be with the Lord. Pray for God's comfort and peace as they grieve.

12 Pray for our National Patron Steve Grace and wife Kerrie, for God's provision for their every need. Pray for financial blessing and God's protection on them as they self-isolate on a farm in the NT. Pray for Steve's finances as opportunities to perform have ceased.

13 Pray for the finances of MMM, for openness to God's leading in the area of giving and support. Pray that those who are in a position to give will be open to God's prompting.

14 NSW – Please pray for our Region Manager's grandson who is struggling to adjust to life as a paraplegic after a terrible accident some months ago. Pray for God's comfort and peace for their grandson and the family. Pray for hope for his future that he would know God has a plan and purpose for him.

15 Pray for our Region Committees and Region Managers as they seek creative ways to fundraise, pray for ideas and opportunities not thought of previously. Pray for God's favour as they implement new strategies.

16 Pray for our clients and those we support through this ministry. Many are severely impacted in their operations and finances. Pray God would make a way for them to move forward and for God's provision.

17 Pray that our teams, staff and volunteers stay connected and supportive of each other. Pray for encouragement and unity. Pray that we will be able to rapidly resume our project activities once the crisis has passed.

18 Pray for our Region Managers. Pray for wisdom as they guide their particular region through this challenging season. Pray for God's protection on them and their teams.

19 Pray for more people to hear the call to work with MMM in all areas; projects, administration, fundraising, prayer, ambassadors etc. Pray for volunteers to come forward in each state who are able to commit regular time to serve.

20 Pray for the Mitcham office staff and volunteers as they faithfully commit their time to enable the continued running of Head Office from their home's. Pray for continued unity, productiveness and wisdom in their work.