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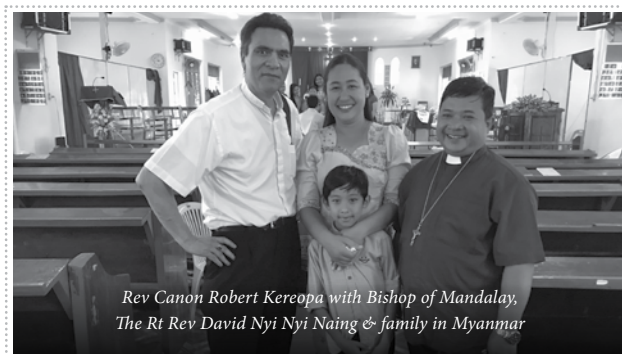
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Rev Canon Robert Kereopa with Bishop of Mandalay,  
The Rt Rev David Nyi Nyi Naing & family in Myanmar

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation,  
by prayer and petition present your requests to God"*  
*Philippians 4:6*

**We should never underestimate the importance and power of prayer.** Every year and every day the prayers of our church are heard and felt by our partners all around the world. Please join our community of prayer as we all continue to lift up and support one another in a time where many are struggling and living through conflict and fear.

Through this booklet, each day of the month is dedicated through prayer to the work of a certain group of partners. It is an important resource that enables us to remember those who are struggling, those who are working to improve the lives of others, and those who we are called to love and support. Anglican Missions maintains valuable partnerships all over the world and we hope to support each other spiritually through prayer as much as financially.

This year we are urging everyone to pray two simple prayers, "Thy Kingdom come" and "Come Holy Spirit" – please pray these as often as you are able.

As we pray through partners in prayer we are simultaneously praying with a worldwide community, with the intention to spread the love of God.

*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us."* 1 John 5:14

Know that when you continue to join us every day in praying with our worldwide family, your prayers are heard, they are needed and they are greatly appreciated by many.

Many blessings to you all.

**Canon Robert Kereopa**  
Chief Executive Officer, Anglican Missions



# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## LAND IN FIJI

### DAY 01

**Today we pray for everyone without a place to call home. We pray in particular for the landless and homeless people in Fiji and those affected by natural disasters.**

### **Landless People: Nadawa**

There are 12 Anglican families in Nadawa who have been squatting on land owned by the Nasinu Land Purchase Co-operative. After many years of negotiations, ownership of the 3.5 acres has been approved in principle. It had been hoped the purchase would be finally completed in 2017, however due to various counterclaims the case is with the Courts and still being sorted out. The people of Nadawa are caught in the middle so please pray for reduction in anxiety for the families; and that the land sale will be completed soon.

**Pray for Rev Wame Tuidama and the people of St Philips at Nadawa as they look to a future that is secure.**

### **We give thanks for...**

- All progress made to assist and support this community.
- The work of the Diocese of Polynesia to ensure those under its care have a secure place to call home.

### **Survivors of Natural Disasters:**

In 2016 Tropical Cyclone Winston brought a lot of suffering to the people of Fiji, including the people in Maniava, Wainaloka & Wailailai who lost homes, crops and livelihoods. Please give thanks for the many homes that have been rebuilt and the support that continues to be given to rebuild. Give thanks for the good completion of the hostel for school children, the church and kindergarten.

**Pray for the courage to keep trusting God in times of natural disasters and for any resources required to rebuild homes and communities.**

### **Collect**

Our Pacific islands are yours, O Lord, and all the seas that surround them. You made the palm trees grow and the birds fly in the air. When we see your beautiful rising sun and hear the waves splash our shores, we know, Lord, how wonderfully you bless our people.

*"For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers." Ephesians 1:15-16*





# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

PEOPLE OF FIJI

DAY 02

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**Today we pray for:**

## **Anglicare Polynesia**

Anglicare Polynesia is the social welfare and development agency of the Diocese of Polynesia and the focal point for disaster response and rehabilitation activities. Anglicare Polynesia monitors all the community development projects, ensuring that these are carried out to the highest standards.

**Pray for Anglicare Polynesia, Projects Officer, Rev Jone Tuiwaiwai and their work.**

## **We also pray for...**

- The Most Reverend Dr Winston Halapua – Primate, Archbishop, and Bishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
- The Rt Rev Gabriel Sharma – Vicar at St Christopher's Church, Nadi and Bishop in Viti Levu West
- The Rt Rev Henry Bull – Bishop in Vanua Levu and Taveuni
- The Rt Rev Apimeleki Qiliho, Vicar of St Luke's, Suva
- The Ven Lotumali'i Leatuao Larry Tupa'i-Lavea – Archdeacon of Diocese of Polynesia in Aotearoa, NZ
- The Ven Orisi Vuki – Archdeacon in Suva and Ovalau
- Rev Sereima Lomaloma, Ministry Officer, Diocese of Polynesia
- Rev Fe'iloakitau K Tevi working on reducing the effects of climate change in the Diocese of Polynesia
- Diocesan Secretary and administration staff
- The many educational institutions that are dedicated to giving young people a hope and a future; and especially for all the staff and students of the Anglican schools and Colleges
- The Lotu Youth Mission Community.

## **We also give thanks for...**

- All who lead children and youth ministries
- Opportunities to meet together and to network and share resources.

## **Collect**

O God, the well-spring of life, pour into our hearts the living water of your grace, that refreshed by you, we may live this day in steadfast reliance on the strength you give.

*"May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you."*

*1 Thessalonians 3:12*

Anglican Missions CEO Canon Robert Kereopa and  
Rev Jone Tuiwaiwai (Projects Officer, Anglicare Polynesia), Nadawa

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# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## SUPPORTING THE VULNERABLE

DAY 03

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Today we pray for those in the community who are especially vulnerable and for all who support them.

### House of Sarah

Pray for the work of the House of Sarah, providing specifically Christian counselling in the region responding to gender inequality, discrimination and the elimination of violence against women and children. As well as providing referrals to services for women in need; HoS fosters ecumenical partnerships, encouraging Christians to work together to end domestic violence in the Pacific. We pray for the ministry of the 'Break the Silence Sunday' which aims to help change attitudes and bring about change leading to a zero tolerance of violence within homes, schools, settlements and churches.

### Support for children who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation

The Diocese of Polynesia is working in partnership with Homes of Hope to support children who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation. Pray for this partnership and the Homes of Hope campus; for the girls who are being cared for, their dorm-mums; and give thanks for the care and support being provided.

### We also give thanks for...

- The Sisters of the Moana Community of St Claire and the staff of St Christopher's Home, who provide a loving and safe home for many vulnerable people, children, and young people without families in Fiji.

### Please also continue to pray for...

- For the plans to establish a boys home where boys over 13 years of age, who can no longer stay at St Christopher's Home, will be able to be cared for in this new place.
- Pray also for the ministry of the Community of the Sacred Name.

### Collect

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress and bless those who minister to them.

*"Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow."*  
1 Thessalonians 2:11-12



# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA SAMOA & TONGA DAY 04

**Today we pray for the people of Samoa, Tonga, and American Samoa.**

## **We pray for...**

- The Archdeaconry of Samoa and its Archdeacon The Ven Taimalelagi Tuatagaloa
- The Rt Rev Dr Afa Vaka - Bishop in Tonga
- The Archdeacon of American Samoa - Mr Chris Solomona
- Clergy and lay ministers in Samoa, American Samoa and Tonga
- St Andrew's High School, Nuku'alofa, Tonga
- The Sisters of the Community of the Sacred Name
- The people of Samoa, Tonga, and American Samoa as they deal with the changing climate and threat and recovery from natural disasters.

## **We give thanks for...**

- The teams of volunteers who work regularly at St Andrew's High School, Nuku'alofa, Tonga to improve the school's buildings and resources to ensure the children have a safe learning environment.
- Simon and Rachel Tipping – for their ongoing work for St Andrew's High School in Tonga through the Hornsby Pacific Education Trust. This includes facilitating a large number of volunteer teams from New Zealand to assist the school with renovations, teacher training and administration.
- The fundraising efforts by Association of Anglican Women NZ to raise money for water tanks in Tonga.

## **Collect**

Everlasting God, your messengers have carried the good news of Christ to the ends of the earth; grant that we who commemorate the builders of your church in these islands may know the truth of the gospel in our hearts and build well on the foundations they have laid; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*"And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way."*  
*Ephesians 1:22*



# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## WATER FOR ALL

### DAY 05

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**We also pray for the Diocese of Polynesia's Water for All project for 2018.**

### **We pray for...**

The provision of safe continuous water supply in all the communities of Polynesia; and in particular our project for this year...

- For the six farming communities in the Vanua Levu and Tavenui episcopal unit who have been identified as needing water tanks:
  - Qaraniduna – 6 families (13 adults, 5 children)
  - Vunivau – 7 families (15 adults, 9 children)
  - Vunilagi - 4 families (12 adults, 7 children)
  - Nakama - 4 families (8 adults, 5 children)
  - Dreketi lailai - 7 families (13 adults, 6 children)
  - Lekutulevu - 8 families (16 adults, 10 children)
- For the Anglicare Polynesia staff as they assist with the work of installing the tanks and monitor the progress.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The successful completion last year of 2 water tanks in Cawaira and water pipes in Kasavu in Vanua Levu, Fiji
- Generous donations from the Association of Anglican Women and New Zealand parishes towards water projects.
- The opportunity to improve people's lives and health by providing this basic need.

### **Collect**

God you call the thirsty to drink the living water which only you can provide. Bless the work and witness of those who provide clean drinking water and sanitation to communities without it. Help us never to take the gift of clean water for granted, nor to withhold it from those whom we are able to help.

*"For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord. How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?" 1 Thessalonians 3:8-9*

*Photo: Diocese of Polynesia*

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# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## MISSION SUPPORT

### DAY 06

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#### **Today we pray for all the clergy within the Diocese of Polynesia.**

21 stipendiary clergy and 6 non-stipendiary clergy are partly supported in their ministries by funds provided by Anglican Missions. "Mission Support" contributes to their ministries in their communities. Undergirded by the 2013 Diocese Synod theme "In Christ We Move Together", clergy and laity work together to proclaim the gospel in a multi-cultural and multi-religious society.

Most priests are self-supporting or "worker" priests who work between 20 and 30 hours a week carrying out their ministry duties while still providing for their families.

In the rural areas this involves maintaining a small subsistence plot of land. The Church in Polynesia wants to increase the number of priests who are able to minister fulltime without also having to be the fulltime breadwinner for their families.

The Anglican Church in Polynesia has 26 parishes spread over Fiji, Samoa, American Samoa and Tonga as well as 4 parishes in New Zealand. In Fiji each parish has a number of worship centres many of which have congregations in excess of 100 people. Many church members are seasonal workers and earn very little. As a result churches are a long way off being able to fund their own priest.

**We pray for the worker priests throughout Polynesia who are called to share the gospel and deepen the discipleship of parishioners.**

**Pray for all clergy and parishioners; and give thanks for new and returning church members.**

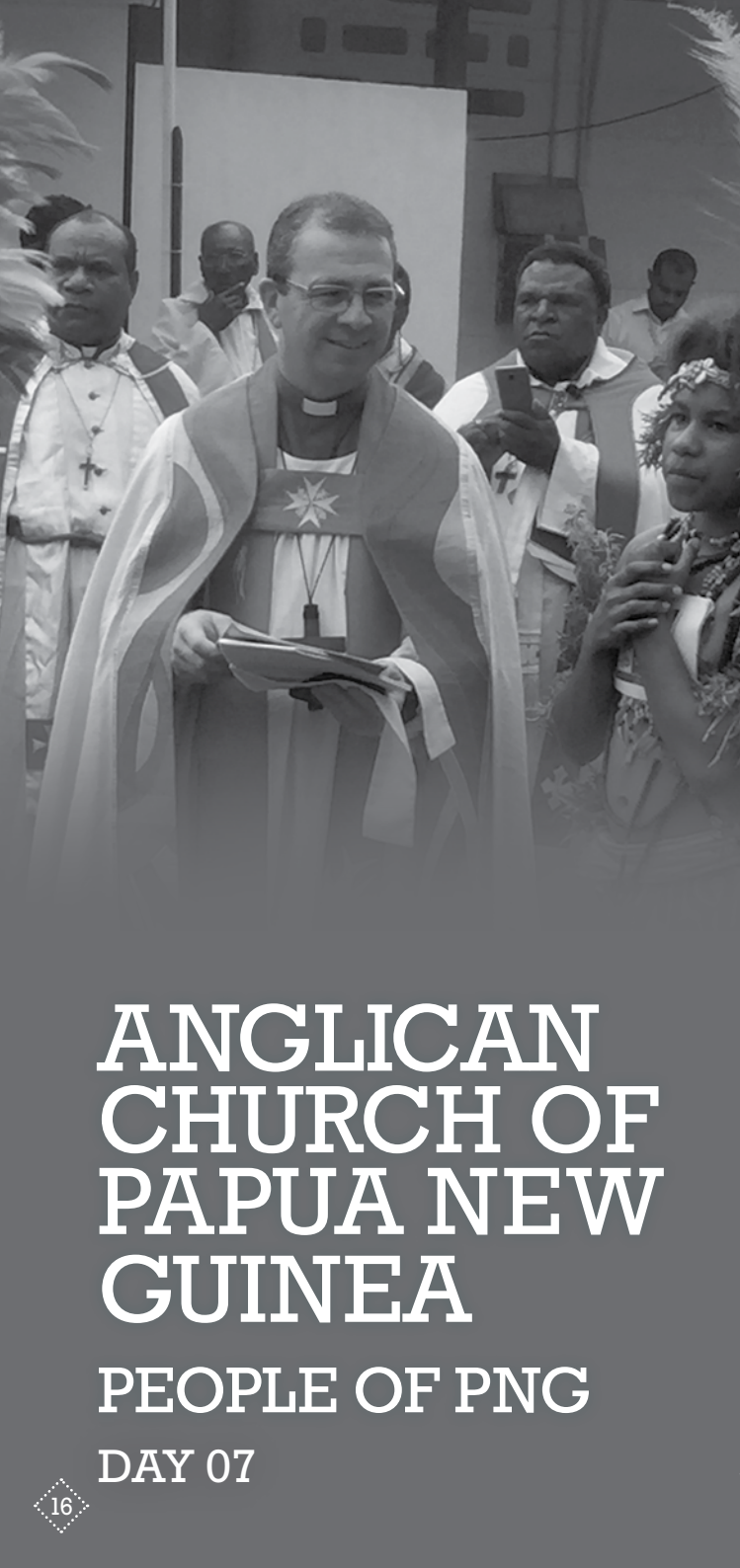
#### **Collect**

Holy and living God, you call men and women to bring your creative and redeeming Word to all people. Equip your people for their work of ministry, justice, love and peace through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*"Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship."*  
*Romans 12:1*

Archbishop Winston Halapua in Suva, Fiji  
Photo: Diocese of Polynesia

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# ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

## PEOPLE OF PNG

### DAY 07

**Today we pray for Papua New Guinea. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (ACPNG) faces many challenges as it continues to bring hope to the many communities it ministers to.**

Currently there are 110 parishes and numerous mission districts with 112 priests engaged in active ministries. Approximately 4% of the PNG population are Anglican (about 250,000 Anglicans).

Extensive training programmes are being undertaken at provincial and diocesan levels to equip and upskill people, especially in the areas of ministry formation and outreach.

### **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Allan Migi – Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- The Rt Rev Tennyson Bogar - Bishop of Dogura
- The Rt Rev Denny Guka – Bishop of Port Moresby
- The Rt Rev Lindsley Ihove – Bishop of Popondetta
- The Rt Rev Nathan Ingen – Bishop of Aipo Rongo
- For the election of a new Bishop for New Guinea Islands
- The clergy and lay people of Papua New Guinea
- Margaret Poynton – NZCMS Mission Partner serving as Executive Assistant to Archbishop Allan
- Dr Dennis Kabekabe – General Secretary and all the staff who work in the National Office.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The relationship between the Diocese of Waiapu and the Church in Papua New Guinea.

### **Collect**

Father you call your children to walk in the light of Christ. Free us from the darkness and keep us in the radiance of your truth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives with and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith- and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God- not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”*  
*Ephesians 2: 8-10*



# ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

## THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

DAY 08

**Today we pray for education and educators in Papua New Guinea.** With more than a thousand different cultural groups and more than 820 different languages in PNG, this diversity makes for some significant mission challenges.

### **Newton Theological College**

Newton Theological College has a strong and on-going commitment to providing theologically competent and well equipped priests in Papua New Guinea. It is currently undergoing an extensive review of curriculum and site development to maintain parity in its diploma qualification with theological colleges worldwide.

### **Kerina Evangelists' College**

Situated in the Highlands of PNG, Kerina Evangelists' College is a centre for the training of catechists. Catechists are lay people serving in isolated communities who do not have a resident priest. Once trained, they represent the Church and minister to many families and individuals.

The catechists are the backbone of the Church in the most remote areas but are unpaid volunteers.

### **Please pray for...**

- The newly appointed Principals of Newton Theological College and Kerina Evangelists' College; the staff and students
- Administrative Assistants at the Colleges, including Zelma newly appointed to Newton College
- Chaplains and staff in Anglican elementary and secondary schools
- All the students and their families who support them through their education.

### **We give thanks for...**

The H & W Williams Memorial Trust which continues to provide significant support for the theological colleges in Papua New Guinea.

### **Collect**

Draw your church together O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world.

*"I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power." Ephesians 3: 7*





# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## SHORT-TERM MISSION TEAMS

### DAY 09

**Every year New Zealanders leave our shores to support mission projects around the world. Today we pray for those who are heading out in 2018, and give thanks for the work past teams have been able to do.**

Short-term mission teams have achieved many things while travelling including building playgrounds, doing building repairs, painting, cleaning, photography, and most importantly developing relationships with those people who they help.

**Pray for the parishes and groups heading out on short-term missions around the world this year; that the work they begin will continue to improve people's lives for many years to come. Pray for spiritual fruit.**

### **We give thanks for...**

- Overseas Mission - Tikanga Pakeha (formerly TPMC) and their Short-Term Mission Grants which assist various groups each year to undertake mission trips.
- The short-term mission teams that travelled in 2017 including teams from:
  - Anglican Youth Ministries BOLD (Building outstanding leaders & disciples), Auckland to Fiji (a new youth ministries group goes each year);
  - St Chad's, Auckland to Kenya (adults & youth);
  - St John's, Roslyn, Dunedin with Brockville Community Church to Vanuatu;
  - Rangiora Parish to the Philippines to support NZCMS Mission Partner, Dianne Bayley; and
  - Parish of Waikanae, Wellington to Fiji.
- The Golden Oldies annual mission trip to Fiji which continues to build relationships and partnerships between the Fiji Churches and Golden Oldies mission groups, and provides practical and prayer support.

### **Collect**

God our friend, you never change, you are always here. When we are lonely or helpless you watch over us. Hear us, be with us as you were with your Son.

*"Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted." Isaiah 12:4*

*Photo: Rangiora Parish visit 2017 (OMTP grant) to Hebron College (supporting Dianne Bayley)*



# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## WORK OF ANGLICAN MISSIONS

DAY 10

Today we pray for the staff and Board of Anglican Missions, who help enable global mission to occur every day. We also give thanks for the ongoing support of Parishes and Rohe for the overseas mission work of our Church carried out through Anglican Missions.

### We pray for...

- **The Anglican Missions Board members**
  - Most Rev Philip Richardson (Chair)
  - Most Rev Winston Halapua
  - Rev Michael Hughes
  - Mr Charles Hemana
  - Most Rev Ngarahu Katene
  - Rev Amy Chambers
  - Rt Rev Henry Bull
  - Rev Steve Maina
  - Mr Steve Perris (Deputy Chair)
- **Board Consultant**
  - Jacynthia Murphy
- **The staff of Anglican Missions**
  - Canon Robert Kereopa – Chief Executive Officer
  - Metua Takairangi - Executive Assistant
  - Michael Hartfield – Operations and Projects Officer
  - John Tapiata - Accountant
  - Sudesh Wasoori - Accounts Officer
  - Linda Dear – Communications Administrator

### Collect

God, our Father, Let the spirit you send on your church to begin the teaching of the gospel continue to work through the hearts of those who believe.

*"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,"*  
Ephesians 3:16-18

Photo: Rev's Robert Kereopa (CEO, Anglican Missions) & Steve Maina (National Director, NZCMS) say "GO" at Bluff as part of the Dunedin Mission Roadshow



# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS VOLUNTEERS & SUPPORTERS DAY 11

There are many people who need to be thanked for their commitment to Anglican Missions, for without them we would cease to exist. Today we pray for and give thanks for these people.

## We give thanks for...

- The generous support from our **donors**, enabling mission to continue around the world
- The **Mission Motivators** who encourage mission in their parishes
- Our **Stamp Volunteers**
  - those who sort and trim hundreds of thousands of stamps every year
  - the co-ordinators of all the stamps: Ross, Tony, Jane and Simon, Nicky and Elizabeth; and regular purchasers – Ken and Lyndal
- Our **mail out volunteers** who help send out our resources
- The vision of Henry and William Williams whose legacy continues to provide generously for the work of the Gospel both in NZ and through the South Pacific
- The many parish and rohe mission prayer groups
- The Diocesan Mission Festivals and parish events which have brought people together to share in their passion for missions.

## Mission Support Groups

We thank God for the way the Diocesan and Tikanga Mission groups and individuals raise awareness of overseas mission.

- Diocesan Overseas Mission Groups
- Overseas Mission - Tikanga Pakeha (formerly TPMC)
- Tikanga Maori Mission Council
- Tikanga Pasifika Mission Council
- NZCMS Area Representatives.

## Collect

God you shape our dreams. As we put our trust in you may your hopes and desires be ours, and we your expectant people.

*"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ." Ephesians 1:3*

*Photo: Michael Hartfield (Anglican Missions NZ), Bob Mitchell (Anglican Overseas Aid, Australia), Isaac Henderson (Overseas Mission Tikanga Pakeha) in Palm Nth Nov 2017*





# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## WOMEN'S OUTREACH

DAY 12

**Today we pray for the women of New Zealand and around the world who provide endless support for overseas mission.**

### **AAW**

Through the **Overseas & Outreach Programme, Association of Anglican of Women (AAW)** members in New Zealand support mission projects overseas, as well as in New Zealand. The current O&O convener is Shelley Vette. The AAW President is Pat Vincent.

### **We pray for the projects supported by AAW**

- The work of the AAW in Polynesia to supply sewing machines, assist kindergartens, and help with travel and meeting costs for Archdeaconry representatives
- The work of the AAW in Papua New Guinea on adult literacy education, village health and Students' Wives courses at Newton Theological College
- Women's craft enterprises in Pakistan
- Medicine and social justice in Uganda
- Social work and patient recovery in Cambodia
- Outreach by Religious Communities in Melanesia, and Papua New Guinea.

### **The Mothers' Union**

**The Mothers' Union** is a missionary society with 4 million members in 83 countries, many of which are among the poorest in the world who rely on their allegiance to the Anglican Church and assistance from Mothers' Union members in countries like NZ, for their survival. A levy, included in local subscriptions, goes to the Mary Sumner House in London for distribution by relevant branches at grass-roots level. Anglican Missions' links with the Mothers' Union include those in Polynesia, Melanesia, Papua New Guinea, and Africa.

Mrs Jan Neild is the President of the Province of Aotearoa, NZ and Polynesia.

**Please pray for The Mothers' Union throughout the world.**

### **Collect**

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord; to know you is eternal life, to serve you is perfect freedom. Defend us your servants in every stress and danger, that we may trust in your defence and fear the powers of any adversaries.

*"Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defence; he has become my salvation." Isaiah 12:2*



YOUR  
WORD IS A  
LAMP  
TO GUIDE MY FEET  
& LIGHT  
FOR MY PATH

PSALM 119:105

# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## MISSION AGENCIES

### DAY 13

Today we pray for all the Mission Agencies around the world and give thanks for the amazing work they do.

### We pray for...

- **Christian World Service (CWS)**
  - CWS is the development, justice and aid agency of New Zealand Churches. CWS works with its partners and international networks to meet the immediate needs of people for food, water, dignity and justice. On occasions, Anglican Missions works with CWS on campaigns for emergency relief and development programmes.
  - Pauline McKay – National Director and all the staff
- **The Anglican Chinese Mission** and their ministry in New Zealand and for the leadership of Pastor Henry Yap.
- **Anglican Alliance, London**
  - For their relief, development and advocacy work
  - The Co-Executive Directors – Rev Rachel Carnegie and Rev Andy Bowerman.
- **Bible Society of New Zealand**
  - Please pray for Bible Society New Zealand to achieve its goal of helping 100,000 children and youth engage with the Bible by 2020. To do this, they've developed two initiatives – **Good For Life** aimed at equipping individuals to read the Bible, and **Pass It On** – aimed at helping parents pass on their passion for the Bible to the next generation. Please pray for these two initiatives.
  - Early in 2018, Bible Society will also publish the **Field Guide to the Bible**, which aims to help youth understand the basics of the Bible and how God speaks to them through it. Please pray this publication will draw many youth to the Bible and help answer their important questions about it.

### Collect

Look upon us, O God, creator and ruler of all things; that we may feel the working of your mercy, and grant that we may serve you with all our heart.

*"We sent Timothy, who is our brother and God's fellow worker in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith," 1 Thessalonians 3:2*



# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## NEW ZEALAND CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

DAY 14

**Today we pray for the New Zealand Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) and those serving overseas as Mission Partners who have left their homes and lives behind to engage in Mission.**

Since its founding in 1892, NZCMS has been sending Kiwis to all corners of the earth. With such a long history in the life of the Church in New Zealand, NZCMS is working hard to mobilise God's people for mission. This includes encouraging churches about what God is up to here and worldwide, equipping groups to serve their local communities, and sending out Mission Partners to engage in a variety of capacities throughout the world.

### **We pray for...**

- The NZCMS Society, Steve Maina its National Director, and the support team in New Zealand
- The legacy of missionaries everywhere – that their lives and work will have eternal impact
- All of the NZCMS Mission Partners serving around the world; and for their many supporters.  
In particular we pray for:
  - Katie Bennett who is in Spain working to plant Churches
  - Miriam Tillman doing pharmacy support in Togo
  - Murray and Fey Cotter who are involved in church planting and team leadership in Albania
  - Rick and Anne who work in theological education
  - Andy and Shona Miller, new Mission Partners (and 3 children), mobilising Latin Americans for mission in Costa Rica
  - Dawn Daunauda, a new Mission Partner serving in Vanuatu teaching English, providing pastoral support and scoping future mission opportunities.

### **Collect**

We pray for your church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his kingdom. May your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

*"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"  
And I said "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8*





# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## ANGLICAN INDIGENOUS NETWORK (AIN)

DAY 15

**Today we pray for the Anglican Indigenous Network (AIN) and its work in development, training and resource sharing of its international members: American Indians, indigenous Alaskans, Canadians, and Hawaiians, along with Maori, Australian Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders.**

AIN is a formal body of the Anglican Consultative Council. They are an international community of faithful Indigenous Anglicans who are minorities in their own Lands. They gather every two years to provide mutual support and to strategically plan their future together. Compelled by the Gospel's power of love, renewal, peace, reconciliation, and restoration they support one another within their common challenge as minority peoples faced with the unique daily realities of the ongoing impact of colonialism in the Church we love and in the world we are called to steward. They gather for sacred conversations, meaningful worship, cultural exchange, and fellowship (from AIN 2017 Report).

### **We pray for...**

- Bishop Kito Pikaahu – Convenor; and for the Steering Group members who come from Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia, Torres Strait Islands, Canada, Hawaii & USA
- Tikanga Maori delegates to the network
- The companion diocese relationships between Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and Hawaii, Southern Ohio, Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, First Nations Peoples of Canada, Australian Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders.

### **Collect**

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your spirit, for you are God, now and forever.

*"And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him [Christ] to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way" Ephesians 1:22-23*

*Photo: Indigenous Bishops at AIN 2017 Conference, From left Bishop Kito Pikaahu, Bishop Richard Wallace, Bishop Lydia Mamakwa, Bishop Adam Halkett and Bishop Mark MacDonald.*



# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS LOCAL MISSION DAY 16

**Today we pray for mission in New Zealand. We also pray for those who lead the Anglican Church in New Zealand and Aotearoa.**

## **We pray for...**

- The 3 Co-presiding Primates (at the time of writing the Tikanga Maori Archbishop is to be appointed), the Most Rev Philip Richardson (Tikanga Pakeha), and the Most Rev Dr Winston Halapua (Tikanga Pasefika) -Primates & Archbishops of Aotearoa New Zealand & Polynesia
- The Bishop of Aotearoa – (to be appointed)
- The Most Rev Philip Richardson – Bishop of Taranaki
- The Most Rev Dr Winston Halapua – Bishop of Polynesia
- The Rt Rev Ross Bay – Bishop of Auckland
- The Rt Rev Andrew Hedge – The Bishop of Waiapu
- The Bishop of Waikato – (to be appointed)
- The Rt Rev Justin Duckworth – Bishop of Wellington and The Rt Rev Eleanor Sanderson, Asst. Bishop
- The Rt Rev Richard Ellena – Bishop of Nelson
- The Rt Rev Victoria Matthews – Bishop of Christchurch
- The Rt Rev Dr Steven Benford – Bishop of Dunedin
- The Rt Rev Don Tamihere – Bishop of Te Tairāwhiti
- The Rt Rev Kitohi Pikaahu – Bishop of Te Tai Tokerau
- The Rt Rev 'd Richard Wallace, Bishop of Te Waipounamu
- The Rt Rev Ngarahu Katene – Bishop of Te Manawa o te Wheke
- The Rt Rev Muru Walters – Bishop of Te Upoko o Te Ika
- Rev Michael Hughes, General Secretary to General Synod, and the staff of the Provincial Office
- Parish and Rohe clergy and lay leaders
- Defence Force, tertiary, school, hospital & workplace chaplains
- Decade of Mission Coordination - Archbishop Philip Richardson, Graham Miller, Peter Lloyd, Canon Rev Robert Kereopa.

## **We give thanks for...**

- The local mission of parishes and rohe throughout New Zealand and pray for continued effectiveness
- The Church Army and their work.

## **Collect**

Praise to you, God, for all your work among us; yours is the vigour in creation, yours is the impulse in our new discoveries. Make us adventurous, yet reverent and hopeful in all we do.

*"I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings." 1 Corinthians 9:22b-23*



# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

ANGLICAN  
CHURCH OF  
AUSTRALIA

DAY 17

**Today we pray for our partners in Australia. We pray for the work of Anglican Overseas Aid and of the Australian Anglican Board of Mission. Especially we pray for their work among the indigenous people of Australia and for continued reconciliation and justice.**

## **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Dr Philip Freier – Primate of Australia
- The 23 diocesan Bishops
- Clergy and lay leaders of the more than 3000 parishes
- The Anglican Board of Mission – Australia, Executive Director Rev John Deane and all the staff
- Anglican Overseas Aid – CEO, Rev Bob Mitchell and all the staff
- Maori Missions in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth.

## **We pray for...**

- The Anglican Church of Australia's Indigenous Programmes including:
  - Nungalinga College – providing theological education and courses in family and community services and leadership training
  - Wontulp-Bi-Buya College – established to support the development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander church and community leaders through theological and community development studies.
  - For staff at the Colleges visiting remote areas, good contacts with church leaders, and for the students.

## **We give thanks for...**

- The relationships between Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and the Dioceses of Perth, Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne and the Torres Strait Islands; and we pray that these relationships will continue to flourish and bear much fruit.

## **Collect**

Gracious Father, who in your prophet Isaiah promised us a spirit of wisdom and understanding, counsel and inward strength, knowledge and true godliness: breathe that same spirit on your church today, that we may meet you in one another.

*"He has saved us and called us to a holy life-not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace." 2 Timothy 1:9*

*Rev Victor Joseph, Principal of Wontulp-Bi-Buya College speaking at the College. Photo: Chris Stead, ABM, Australia 2017*





# NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

## MINISTRY TO MIGRANTS & REFUGEES & MISSION TO SEAFARERS

DAY 18

Today we pray for those who move to new lands or travel the seas, and those who offer their assistance and guidance to these people.

### Ministry to Migrants & Refugees

#### We pray for...

- New Zealand Churches seeking to minister to immigrants and refugees and especially for the extra support needed for the regular settlements of refugees, mainly from Syria settling in New Zealand
- The coordinators and volunteers of the refugee settlement programme; and for the ongoing good relationships between Anglicans, Catholics and the Red Cross who are working together on this programme
- For the refugees as they settle into life in New Zealand
- Rev Daniel Pillay, who is responsible for evangelism to migrants from Polynesia; and for his work ministering to Fijian, Indian, Tongan and Samoan congregations in New Zealand.

### Mission to Seafarers

Mission to Seafarers is an agency of the Anglican Church with a network of Chaplains, staff, and volunteers in 300 ports around the world to offer support to seafarers.

Pray for seafarers who often spend up to 10 months of the year away from their families. Pray the Mission Chaplains will always have a wise word "in season" for those who have troubled hearts.

#### We pray for...

- All the Chaplains to Seafarers, especially in the busy ports of Auckland and Wellington
- The work of Tikanga Maori with Mission to Seafarers
- Honorary chaplains in seven other ports in New Zealand
- The chaplaincies in Fiji, Tonga, Melanesia and Papua New Guinea.

### Collect

Father, guide us as you guide creation according to your law of love. May we love one another and come to perfection in the eternal life. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

*"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"*  
Matthew 25:40



**Today we pray for the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.**

## **We pray for...**

We pray for the Dioceses –

- **The Diocese of Iran** which comprises four parishes in Tehran, Isfahan, Julfa and Shiraz.
- **The Diocese of Egypt and North Africa with the Horn of Africa** has congregations in Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, and Ethiopia, and a presence in Djibouti, Eritrea, and Somalia. Its charitable arm, EpiscoCare, oversees the institutions of the Diocese, which provide medical and educational facilities throughout the region.
- **The Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf** includes Cyprus and the Gulf states, Iraq and Yemen. Two key places of mission service are Christ Church in Aden, with its eye clinic; and St George, Baghdad, where the compound includes clinics and a kindergarten.
- **The Diocese of Jerusalem** extends over Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Palestine and Israel. There are 27 parishes that minister to the needs of their communities, centred on the Cathedral Church of St. George the Martyr in Jerusalem. The church supports 33 institutions, which include hospitals (in Gaza and Nablus), clinics, kindergartens and schools, vocational training programmes, as well as institutions for the deaf, the disabled and the elderly.

## **Collect**

Gracious God, your love knows no limits. Fill our hearts with your compassion, open our eyes to your presence in the world, enlarge our minds to understand your will. Take our hands and minister through them, take our words and speak through them, and direct our feet in the paths of justice, peace, and reconciliation that Christ may be revealed in us and the world may believe. Amen.

*“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.”  
Romans 12:12*

*Jerusalem Photo: Anglican Missions files*

# PROVINCE OF JERUSALEM & THE MIDDLE EAST

DAY 19



# PROVINCE OF JERUSALEM & THE MIDDLE EAST

DAY 20

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**Today we continue to pray for the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.**

## **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Suheil Dawani – President Bishop of the Province and Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem.
- The Rt Rev Dr Mouneer Anis – Bishop in Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa.
- The Rt Rev Michael Lewis – Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf.
- The Rev Dr Albert Walters – Vicar General of the Diocese of Iran.
- The Parishes and Institutions of the Province.
- Christians in war zones who are affected by disorder in Syria, Iraq, Egypt, Yemen and Somalia.
- Christian communities internally displaced and those seeking asylum in other countries.
- The Clergy and people of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.
- NZCMS Mission Partners serving in the Middle East
  - Jolene – refugee support; and
  - Arthur and Julia – community work.
- Joel Kelling – Regional Facilitator for the Anglican Alliance.

## **We give thanks for...**

The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Nelson in New Zealand and the Diocese of Egypt.

## **Collect**

Almighty and eternal God, you have made of one blood all nations of the earth and will that they live together in peace and harmony; so order the course of this world that all people may be brought together under Christ's most gentle rule.

*"As you come to him the living stone – rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him" 1 Peter 2:4*

*Princess Basma Centre for Children with Disabilities  
(Diocese of Jerusalem)*

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# THE CHURCH IN ASIA

## SOUTH EAST ASIA

### DAY 21

### **Today we pray for the Province of South East Asia.**

It is made up of the Diocese of Singapore, West Malaysia, Sabah and Kuching.

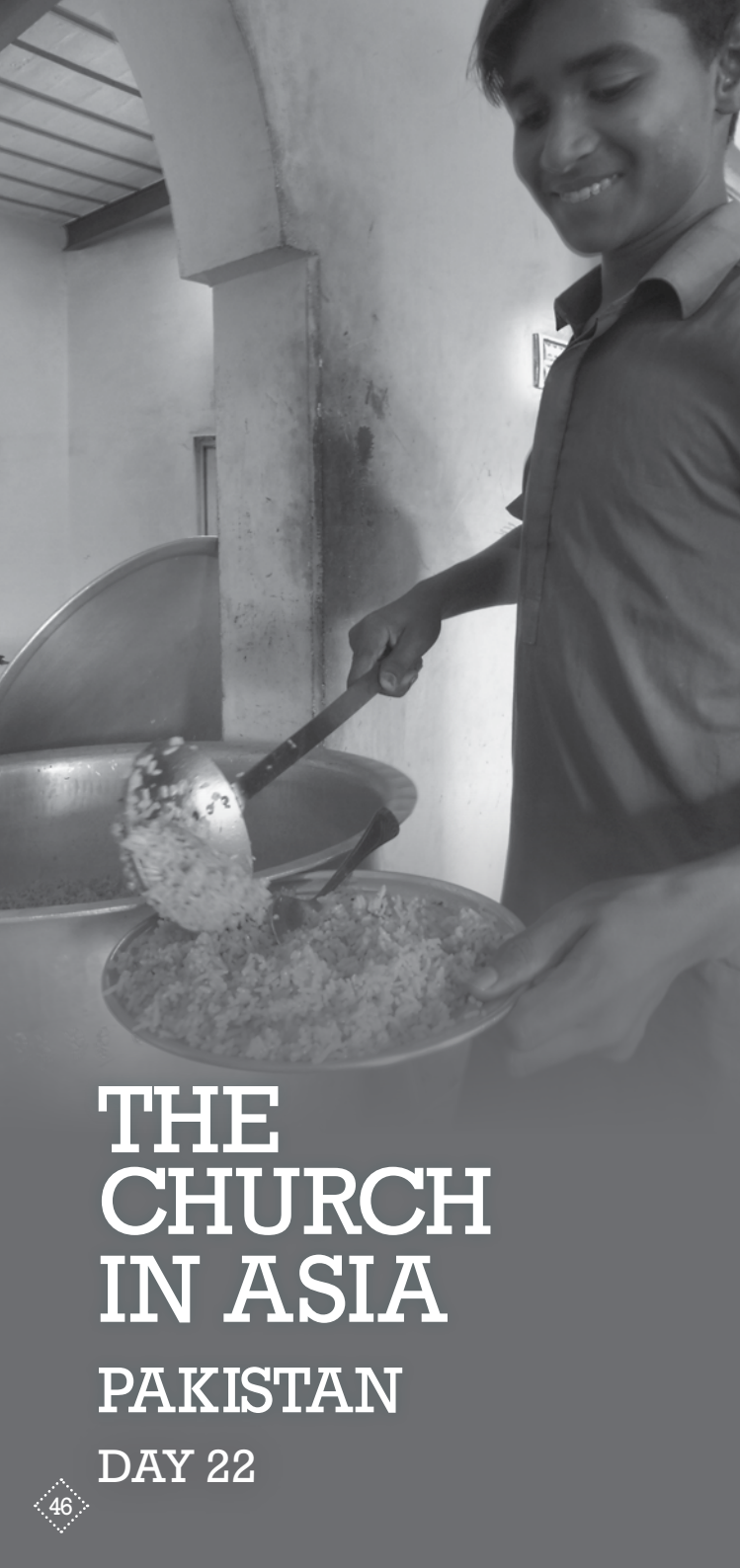
### **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Ng Moon Hing – Archbishop of the Province of the Anglican Church in South East Asia
- Diocese of West Malaysia:
  - Diocesan Bishop - Most Rev Ng Moon Hing
  - Suffragan Bishops – Rt Rev Dr Jason Selvaraj; Rt Rev Charles Samuel
- Diocese of Singapore:
  - Diocesan Bishop – Rt Rev Rennis Ponniah
  - Assistant Bishops – Rt Rev Kuan Kim Seng; Rt Rev Low Jee King
- Diocese of Kuching:
  - Diocesan Bishop – Rt Rev Danald Jute
  - Assistant Bishops – Rt Rev Aeries Sumping; Rt Rev Solomon Cheong
- Diocese of Sabah:
  - Diocesan Bishop – Rt Rev Melter Jiki Tais
  - Assistant Bishop – Rt Rev John Yeo
- NZCMS Mission Partners serving in South East Asia, in particular:
  - Anne and Anthony McCormick – social work and patient recovery.
- The clergy and people of South East Asia, for their ministry that is seeing the church grow rapidly
- The missionary Deaneries in Nepal, Indonesia, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam and Laos and their work and witness to the people of these nations.
- The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Waikato and the Diocese of Kuching.

### **Collect**

God of earth and heaven, on your Church the sun is always rising; we commend to you our sisters and brothers in South East Asia. Be with them in the work they do, as you are with us.

*"I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness," Isaiah 61:10*



# THE CHURCH IN ASIA

## PAKISTAN

### DAY 22

### **Today we pray for Pakistan.**

The Church of Pakistan is a union of Anglicans, Methodists, Scottish Presbyterians and Lutherans. Established in 1971, it is predominantly Anglican in theology and outlook.

The Christian community in Pakistan have been significant in contributing to the development of the nation, however face challenges due to discrimination and religious persecution.

### **We give thanks for...**

Christian Schools and for the witness of the staff to their students.

The growth of Christian theological institutions, and for the church's outreach to marginalised communities including in rural Sindh.

### **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Humphrey S Peters President (Moderator), Church of Pakistan and Bishop of Peshawar
- The Rt Rev Irfan Jamil – Bishop of Lahore
- The Rt Rev Azad Marshall Bishop of Raiwind
- The Rt Rev Alwin Samuel – Bishop of Sialkot
- The Rt Rev John Samuel – Bishop of Faisalabad
- The Rt Rev Leo Roderick Paul – Bishop of Multan
- The Rt Rev Humphrey S. Peters – Bishop of Peshawar
- The Rt Rev Kaleem John – Bishop of Hyderabad
- The Rt Rev Saddiq Daniel – Bishop of Karachi
- The witness and ministry of the Church in times of conflict.
- The Diocesan Boys' Hostel, Mirpurkhas, students, staff and their families

### **Collect**

God our Father, you have promised to remain forever with those who do what is just and right. Help us to live in your presence.

*"Pass through, pass through the gates! Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones. Raise a banner for the nations." Isaiah 62:10*



# THE CHURCH IN ASIA

## CENTRAL & SOUTH ASIA

DAY 23

**Today we pray for Central and South Asia.**

### **We pray for...**

NZCMS Mission Partners serving in Central and South Asia:

**Liz** – Education Consultancy; **Dean and Amanda** (and 2 children) – Human Trafficking Prevention; **Jean** – Administration and Community Ministry; **Judith** – Community Ministry; **John and Mary** – language learning; and **Nathan and Rosey** – language learning.

### **Bangladesh**

Bangladesh was originally East Pakistan. The Church of Bangladesh is one of the United Churches, formed by a union of Anglicans with Christians of other traditions.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The life and work of Dr Edric Baker who served in Bangladesh and created the Kailakuri Health Care Project
- We pray for the ongoing work of this Centre, the local doctors, and their care especially for the extreme poor.

### **Philippines**

Four dioceses were established in the Philippines by 1971. The Anglican Church consecrated its first Bishop in 1963 and became an autonomous Province in 1990.

### **We pray for...**

- Dianne Bayley – NZCMS Mission Partner serving in the Philippines – Children's Ministries

### **Sri Lanka**

The province of Sri Lanka (2 dioceses) under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

### **Myanmar**

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), and its Archbishop The Most Rev Stephen Than Myint Oo. Pray for all vulnerable minorities in Myanmar that they will be given justice and protection.

**We give thanks for** the Christian presence in these countries of men and women who live their faith often in the face of persecution.

### **Collect**

Loving God, we thank you for those people who have served you so faithfully in spreading the Gospel to the people of Asia. We ask that you keep them safe and prosper in their work.

*"He said, 'Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me', and so he became their Saviour." Isaiah 63:8*

*Photo: Kailakuri Health Care Project, Bangladesh*





# THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

## ANGLICAN CHURCH OF TANZANIA

DAY 24

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### **Today we pray for Tanzania.**

Inaugurated in 1970, the Church of Tanzania was influenced by both NZCMS and the Universities Mission to Central Africa. Made up of 27 dioceses representing both the Evangelical and Anglo-Catholic traditions; the Church in Tanzania is experiencing rapid growth and is working hard to train clergy and build churches.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The continued growth of the Anglican Church of Tanzania through the work of local evangelists; and for its relationship with the Church in New Zealand.

### **We pray for...**

- The Most Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya – Archbishop of Tanzania and all the bishops and clergy of the 27 dioceses, especially:
  - The Rt Rev Dr Dickson Chilongani – Bishop of Central Tanganyika
  - The Rt Rev Sadock Makaya – Bishop of Western Tanganyika
  - The Rt Rev Aaron Kijanjali – Bishop of Kagera
  - The Rt Rev Dr Mwita Akiri – Bishop of Tarime
  - The Rt Rev Dr Given Gaula – Bishop of Kondoa
- Rev. Can. Capt. Johnson Chinyong'ole, General Secretary, Provincial administration and all the staff
- This year's Archbishop's pastoral visits to the eight Dioceses of Lweru, Shinyanga, Mara, Rorya, Tarime, Ruvuma, Masasi and Lake Rukwa.
- Mtumba Teachers College & students and their training
- This year's Strategic Plan workshops for the Church
- For improved weather conditions to alleviate drought and for a good harvest so people are not suffering from hunger.
- June Nderitu – Africa Regional Facilitator, Anglican Alliance.

### **Collect**

Look upon us O God, creator and ruler of all things, and that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.

*"Yes you, Lord are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand." Isaiah 64:8*

Children, Tanzania Photo: Anglican Missions files

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# THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

## EDUCATION IN TANZANIA

### DAY 25

**Today we pray for education and the educators in Tanzania; and for New Zealanders who are serving in the schools and universities in Tanzania.**

### **We pray for...**

- The students and their families at the various Provincial and Diocesan theological colleges, and for:
  - St. John's University of Tanzania, Dodoma – give thanks for provision and resources to complete the fence around the campus; pray for all the leadership for teaching, resources and wisdom.
  - Msalato Theological College, Dodoma – for scholarships for the students training to be self-supporting pastors in Tanzanian villages.
  - NZCMS Mission Partners: Cliff and Irene Studman as they continue to assist in the development of St John's University, including the fence completion; and for Peter and Christine Akester at St Philips.
  - The Lloyd-Jones family – for their future plans in Tanzania as self-financing mission workers, for financial support, and for the four Tanzanian children they are currently caring for.
  - Canon Andrea Mwaka School (CAMS), Dodoma – for a new principal and for English language teachers.
  - The Mvumi Secondary School and hospital, Dodoma
- The Principals, staff, and students of the Anglican Schools...
  - Holy Trinity Primary School, Dodoma
  - Good Shepherd Secondary School, Kagera – for the leadership that it can maintain standards and become fully self-sufficient.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The dedicated work of Mission Partners from NZ, Australia and England and the on-going flow of short-term volunteers. Pray for ease of obtaining necessary work and residence permits.

### **Collect**

God of Mercy, you have blessed us beyond our dreams; you have set before us promises and perils beyond our understanding; help us to struggle and pray that the perils may be averted and your promises fulfilled. Amen.

*"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:2*



# PARTNERS IN AFRICA

## SOUTHERN AFRICA

DAY 26

### **Today we pray for the Province of Southern Africa.**

It is the oldest province in Africa. The 28 dioceses of the Province extend beyond the Republic of South Africa and include Mozambique, the Republic of Namibia, the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Kingdom of Swaziland and Angola.

### **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Dr Thabo Makgoba – Archbishop of Southern Africa and the bishops and clergy of the 28 dioceses.
- Father Michael Lapsley SSM, founding member and Director of The Institute for Healing of Memories and the work of the Institute. Pray for their current fundraising efforts.
- The rebuilding of communities in Angola and Mozambique
- The fight against poverty and HIV/AIDS.
- The churches of Southern Africa who have sent out many fine missionaries globally; and for their work promoting unity, toleration, mutual respect and cooperation within the Province.
- For all Mission Partners working in this region, including Missionaries Johann and Louise Vanderbijl, with the Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders. Pray for their good health and energy.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The Institute for Healing of Memories which “seeks to contribute to the healing journey of individuals, communities and nations”. Their work “is grounded in the belief that we are all in need of healing, because of what we have done, what we have failed to do, and what has been done to us” (*Institute for Healing of Memories, website*).

### **Collect**

Holy Spirit, grant us who serve your Church, to mend what is spoiled, to strengthen what is sound and to follow whenever and however you may lead.

*“They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands.” Isaiah 65:21-22*





# PARTNERS IN AFRICA

## CENTRAL AFRICA & UGANDA

DAY 27

### **Today we pray for the Province of Central Africa and the Province of Uganda.**

The Province of Central Africa includes Malawi, Zambia, Botswana and Zimbabwe and has 15 dioceses within it. The Province of Uganda has 27 dioceses.

### **We pray for...**

- The Most Rev Albert Chama – Archbishop of Central Africa and the bishops and clergy of the 15 dioceses
- The Rt Rev John Osmer – Assistant Bishop of Lusaka
  - Pray also for his work with refugees
- The Most Rev Stanley Ntagali – Archbishop of Uganda and the bishops and clergy of the 27 dioceses
- NZCMS Mission Partners:
  - Nick and Tessa Laing who are serving in Uganda in medicine and social justice support; pray also for the medical staff and centres where Nick works.
  - Miriam Tillman who is serving in Togo in pharmacy support.
  - Pray for good health and energy for all the Mission Partners working in this region.
- The Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation in Uganda, the children, families and staff.

### **We give thanks for...**

- The vitality of the Church and its witness in times of hardship
- The companion relationship between the Diocese of Dunedin and the Diocese of Eastern Zambia.

### **Collect**

Almighty God, every good thing comes from you. Fill our hearts with love for you, increase our faith, and by your constant care, protect the good you have given us.

*“Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation:  
Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become  
a light to the nations.” Isaiah 51:4*



# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

DAY 28

**Today we pray for the Church in Melanesia.** The Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACoM) became a separate province from the NZ church in 1975. It includes Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and New Caledonia.

## **We pray for...**

- The bishops, clergy and people of the nine dioceses:
  - The Rt Rev George Takeli – Archbishop of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia
  - The Rt Rev Ben Seka – Bishop of Central Solomons
  - The Rt Rev Alfred Karibongi – Bishop of Hanuato'o
  - The Rt Rev Samuel Sahu – Bishop of Malaita
  - The Rt Revd Rickson Maomaoru – Assistant Bishop of Malaita
  - The Rt. Rev Leonard Dawea – Bishop of Temotu
  - The Rt Rev James Ligo – Bishop of Vanuatu
  - The Rt Rev Ellison Quity – Bishop of Ysabel
  - The Rt Rev Patteson Worek – Bishop of Banks & Torres
- The Melanesian Board of Mission
- The staff of the Provincial office
- Church schools, training centres, staff and students
- NZCMS Mission Partners: Jonathan & Tess Hicks (with 5 children) in the Solomon Islands - theological education; and Dawn Daunauda in Vanuatu teaching English, and providing pastoral support
- Tagolyn Kabekabe – Oceania Regional Facilitator, Anglican Alliance
- Continued peace and reconciliation among the peoples
- Literacy programmes and those whose lives are enriched through them
- The work of the many religious orders of the Church.

## **We give thanks for...**

- The outreach and evangelism work of the Province
- The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Nelson and the Diocese of Malaita (Solomon Islands), in particular with Bishop Sam and Rosemary Sahu.

## **Collect**

O Jesus Christ be the canoe that holds me up in the sea of life, be the rudder that helps me in the straight road, be the outrigger that supports me in times of temptation, let your Spirit be my sail that carries me through each day. Keep my body strong so I can paddle steadfastly on in the voyage of life.

*"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" Isaiah 52:7*



# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

## SISTERS AND BROTHERS

### DAY 29

**Today we pray for the Sisters and Brothers of the many religious orders in the Anglican Church of Melanesia.**

### **We pray for...**

- Their work and witness in the communities they serve – especially their work among those who have suffered as a result of civil conflict;
  - The Melanesian Brotherhood
  - Community of the Sisters of Melanesia
  - Community of the Sisters of the Church
  - The Society of Saint Francis
- The work of the Anglican Church of Melanesia with Anglican Missions to assist these communities in becoming self-sufficient by supporting several projects, including vegetable farming, poultry farming, and sewing projects. These assist the communities with improved diets and clothing, as well as the ability to sell extra produce and cloth items to local businesses and restaurants to fund the costs of the missions the Orders undertake.

### **We give thanks for...**

- For the **Christian Care Centre** ministry of the Community of the Sisters of Melanesia and the Community of the Sisters of the Church in Honiara ministering to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse. **Thanks to** funding support from Anglican Missions and other agencies.

The new Rainbow Wing is now open enabling greater care and support to those in need.
- Please pray for the Sisters who manage the Centre and work with victims and families.

### **Collect**

God our Father, let the Spirit you send on your Church to begin the teaching of the gospel continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe.

*“So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptised into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” Galatians 3:26-27*

*Photo: Sister Phyllis and Dr Abraham Hauriasi (General Secretary of ACoM) in the Christian Care Centre garden, Aug 2017*





# THY KINGDOM COME

DAY 30

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer. Jesus calls us to be the light of the World. A global wave of prayer is planned for the 10-20 May 2018.

Resources are available on the website:  
<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/taking-part>

## From the website...

As we pray 'Thy Kingdom Come' let us consider what God might be calling us to do in our churches, our homes and in our own lives. We hope to support you on this continuing journey in helping us all becoming witnesses for Jesus. Keep an eye out for new resources throughout 'Thy Kingdom Come' to help people share their faith.

## We pray for...

- Wisdom and guidance for World leaders as all work towards eradicating poverty and achieving the United Nations sustainable developing goals for the whole World.
- Especially for responsible consumption and production, action to alleviate the negative effects of climate change, clean water, peace, justice, and quality education for all.

## We give thanks for...

- Progress made in many areas to reduce the effects of poverty, noting that child mortality rates have reduced by more than half over the past 25 years; primary school enrolment figures continue to rise and each year, more people have access to clean water. We thank God for these and other improvements to the health and welfare of people living in poverty, but also note that in 2016, 1.3 billion people still live on less than US\$1.25 a day (the definition of extreme poverty).

## Collect

God of love, we remember those whose devotion to the needs of others transcended race or religion, touch us deeply with your love, enlarge the boundaries of our compassion, and keep us in the way of Jesus.

*"Is this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter"*  
Isaiah 58:6-7



# PEOPLE IN CRISIS

DAY 31

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Throughout the world many millions of people are constantly living in crisis. Whether a disaster is natural, like a cyclone, or our own creation, like war, the human toll can be devastating.

**Today we pray for those who have been affected by disasters, and give thanks for those who help in response and recovery efforts.**

## **We pray for...**

- The Islands of the Pacific and their continuing struggle with the impact of climate change, drought, and cyclones
- Pray for people of the world, including here in NZ, who are dealing with the long-term effects of earthquakes
- The people still rebuilding across the region following the effects of last year's cyclones, earthquakes, floods and volcanic disturbances.
- All those in crisis, that they may be resilient and have God's protection through their difficulties
- Church leaders who shepherd their congregations through times of peril
- Governments, countries, churches and communities who are opening their doors and supporting the ongoing influx of refugees, especially from Syria, as people continue to flee war in their homeland
- Aid and humanitarian workers who go to the help of people in the most desperate of situations
- Christians affected by political turmoil, especially those in Egypt, Syria, and Iraq.

## **We give thanks for...**

- The development of the Anglican Alliance initiative in the South Pacific and its focus on development, relief and advocacy
- Anglicare Polynesia and its work and preparation for disaster relief in Polynesia.

## **Collect**

Father you call your children to walk in the light of Christ. Free us from the darkness and keep us in the radiance of your truth.

*"In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness. Turn your ear to me, come quickly to my rescue; be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me." Psalm 31:1-2*

*Effects of Cyclone Winston in Maniava, Fiji (Diocese of Polynesia)*

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# CHRIST IS BORN!

## *In the Morning*

### **The Gathering**

*The People Gather*

### **The Gathering Prayer**

*Said in Unison*

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

### **The Gathering Psalm of Praise**

*Psalm 51: 16, 11 – 13*

Open my lips, O Lord,  
**and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
**and renew a right spirit within me.**

Cast me not away from your presence  
**and take not your holy Spirit from me.**

Give me the joy of your saving help again  
**and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**  
**Amen.**

### **Gospel of the Day**

*As appointed*

### **Response**

*Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day*

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you?

- (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

### **Apostle's Creed**

*Officiant and People together*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

- *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary,*
- *suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;*
- *he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;*
- *he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and*
- *he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,*
- *the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,*
- *the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*
- *Amen.*

### **Prayer**

#### **Prayers**

*Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)*

#### **Collects**

*This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:*

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

*See page 74*



# CHRIST HAS DIED

*At Noon*

## **The Gathering**

*The People Gather*

## **The Gathering Prayer**

*Said in Unison*

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

## **The Gathering Psalm of Praise**

*From Psalm 113*

Give praise, you servants of the LORD;  
**praise the Name of the LORD.**

Let the Name of the LORD be blessed,  
**from this time forth for evermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its going down  
**let the Name of the LORD be praised.**

The LORD is high above all nations,  
**and his glory above the heavens.**

## **Gospel of the Day**

*As appointed*

## **Response**

*Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day*

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

## **Prayer**

### **Prayers**

*Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)*

### **Collects**

*This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:*

Blessed Saviour, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved, for your mercy's sake. Amen.

*or this*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you": regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*See page 74*

# CHRIST IS RISEN

*In the Early Evening*

## **The Gathering**

*The People Gather*

This devotion may be used before or after the evening meal.

## **The Gathering Prayer**

*Said in Unison*

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

## **The Gathering Hymn of Praise**

O gracious Light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O  
Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes  
behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy  
voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

## **Gospel of the Day**

*As appointed*

## **Response**

*Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day*

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

## **Prayer**

### **Prayers**

*Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)*

### **Collects**

*This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*See page 74*

# CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN

*At the Close of Day*

## The Gathering

*The People Gather*

## The Gathering Prayer

*Said in Unison*

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

## The Gathering Psalm of Praise

*Psalm 134*

Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,  
**you that stand by night in the house of the LORD,**

Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD,  
**the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.**

## Gospel of the Day

*As appointed*

## Response

*Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day*

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

## Prayer

Lord, you now have set your servant free  
**to go in peace as you have promised;**

For these eyes of mine have seen the Saviour,  
**whom you have prepared for all the world to see**

A Light to enlighten the nations,  
**and the glory of your people Israel.**

## Prayers

*Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS).*

*Prayers for ourselves and others may follow. It is appropriate that prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings of the day and penitence for our sins be included.*

## Collects

*This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:*

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace: and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

## The Lord's Prayer

*See page 74*

## Blessing

Officiant: The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. *Amen.*



# THE LORD'S PRAYER / TE INOI A TE ARIKI

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Amen.

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E to matou Matua i te rangi

Kia tapu tou Ingoa.

Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.

Kia meatia tau e pai ai

ki runga ki te whenua,

kia rite ano ki to te rangi.

Homai ki a matou aianei

he taro ma matou mo tenei ra.

Murua o matou hara,

Me matou hoki e muru nei

i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.

Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;

Engari whakaorangia matou i te kino:

Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,

me te kororia,

Ake ake ake. Amine.

## How do I use Partners in Prayer?

Partners in Prayer has a page for each of the 31 days possible in a month. For example, if it's the 15th of the month, use **Day 15** on page 32. This is a guide only so if you have a particular desire to pray for a specific place - don't let the day stop you.

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