

MISSIONARY PRAYER POINTS

Our link missionaries: Brownings, Buchanans, Dousts, Kyngdons

Andrew Buchanan and Abi Tandiseru with Timothy – Toraja, Indonesia. Currently on home assignment in Australia

Church Missionary Society - Summer Conferences

Father God, as CMS branches prepare for their summer conferences, please bless those organising these events. We pray for unity among teams and smooth planning. Thank you for the great gift of Christian fellowship, and we pray that the summer conferences will be times of encouragement. We pray also that you might use these conferences to challenge believers to consider serving in mission. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Pray particularly for:

CMS Coastal Mission Day – available this year as a free video-on demand! Featuring: *Dan and Olivia Webster, Chris and Stef Overhall, Karina Brabham, John Lovell, Peter Sholl and Dan Arthur.*

Plan a time that suits you, and set aside an hour to engage with God's word and his mission around the world.

Go to: www.cms.org.au – 'Upcoming Events' November – Coastal Mission Day 2021 6th November – the video will be there for you to watch.

CMS Summer School 2022 – 'WALK HIS WAY' – 8-14 January, 2022. Featuring: Guest speakers: Andrew Shead, Kanishka Raffel, Chris Braga, Phil Colgan, Sandy Grant, Greg Lee and a host of CMS missionaries.

Summer School is a great time to be refreshed and reinvigorated in your faith. With a focus on the gospel of Jesus Christ and the importance of sharing the good news of salvation across cultures. It's a place to be reminded of the part you can play in God's global mission!

Normally Summer School is held at Katoomba in the Blue Mountains. **This year it will be held online. An opportunity for Bible Study groups, churches or individuals to attend without going to the Blue Mountains!** To apply go to: www.nswsummerschool.org.au

To take part in the conference, adults must register and pay \$50 per person conference fee (\$25 for concession) which will enable full online access to all Summer School content. If you arrange a COVID-safe group viewing, all attendees must register online via this registration site and pay the \$50/\$25 conference fee.

PARISH PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for those in need: Remi Carnaby, Nathan (Skehan), Robyn Small, Mavis Vyner, Betty Greenfield, Maggie (Dibley), Ruth Rich, Vera and Doris, Michael Sanderson, Clarice Grose and Amelie (Grose).
- Pray for Doreen Smith and her family. Doreen's granddaughter died tragically this week as a result of a starnger's negligence.
- Pray for our Bishops - Peter, Charlie and Sonia. Pray for their leadership: that they may have confidence in God's written Word and correctly handle and preach the word of truth so that they may lead our Diocese into all truth.
- Pray for wisdom for the leaders of the Anglican Church of Australia, Gafcon Australia and our Diocese as they respond to the crisis within the Australian Anglican Church.
- Give thanks that, in Jesus, we will never be hungry again.
- Pray for those businesses and workers in our area who are continuing to suffer financially and who are struggling to find staff.
- As we commemorate *Remembrance Day* on Thursday, pray particularly for those who have served us in Afghanistan.
- Pray for revival – that, in His grace, God may pour out His Spirit on the people of our nation and our world through this pandemic. Pray that the Holy Spirit may empower God's people throughout the world, including us, so that others may be drawn to join us in worshipping our God.



The Third of the Signs - Jesus, the bread of Life!

John 6:1-15 (NIV)

6 Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), ² and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. ³ Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. ⁴ The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

⁵ When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

⁷ Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

⁸ Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, ⁹ "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

¹² When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." ¹³ So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

¹⁴ After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.