

Prayer Notes

The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia

The Bush Church Aid Society has a heart for people living in remote and regional Australia.

We are committed to going the distance to reach Australia for Christ.

Under God, we do this by

- **proclaiming** Christ so that people may respond to Him;
- **nurturing** Christians in their faith and ministry;
- **strengthening** local Christian communities in their mission;
- **providing** services of Christian care and advocacy;
- **developing** an understanding of Christ's mission and
- **promoting** active partnership throughout the church.

Our core commitments are

- **relying** on prayer for God's help and the Holy Spirit's guidance;
- **trusting** in the vision, authority and encouragement of Scripture;
- **working** in humility, servanthood and fellowship with the church in mission;
- **developing** interdependent relationships with Diocesan Bishops;
- **providing** pastoral care and professional development for staff and
- **responsibly** managing our resources.

Cover Photo:

Lammermoor Beach, a suburb of Yeppoon. In the distance you can see North Keppel Island on the left and Great Keppel Island on the right.

Taken by Field Staff Jessica van't Spyker.

We are Going the Distance by

- **bringing the gospel of Christ to the outermost parts of Australia** – We are committed to sending messengers so that all Australians, no matter where they live and work, are able to hear the life-changing message of Christ.
- **developing a new generation of culturally diverse Christian leaders** – We are committed to engaging young people, discipling them in the faith and encouraging them in ministry so they can lead others to Christ.
- **supporting ministry by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people** – We are committed to working with our first peoples so they can serve Christ in ways that are Biblically faithful and culturally appropriate.
- **planting and renewing sustainable churches** –
We are committed to establishing vibrant and outward-looking gatherings of Christ's people.
- **equipping local leaders for fruitful ministry** –
We are committed to supporting Christians 'on the ground' so they can be salt and light for Christ.
- **providing care in Christ's Name** –
We are committed to serving hurting people in times of crisis and through ongoing Christ-centred pastoral care.

PEOPLE	LOCATION	DAY
BARCLAY, Dale & Rachel	Sunraysia South	14
BELL, Rachael	Generate Field Development Manager	21
BENTON, Jude & Andy	Croajingolong	16
CARLETON, Laurie & Bec	Norfolk Island	23
COLLINGS, Luke & Julia	Moranbah	27
COOBER PEDY	Minister Position Vacant	10
DAYMOND, James & Brittany	Mudgee	22
DIGITAL CHURCH PROJECT	Tasmania	19
DIOCESE OF BATHURST	Minister Positions Vacant	22
DUFF, Chris & Naomi	Brighton	18
EDWARDS, Rob & Michelle	Strathfieldsaye	15
EMERALD/BLACKWATER	Vacant	28
FARICY, Daniel & Rebecca	Kununurra	6
FERGUSON, George & Carmel	Barwon District Anglican Parish	29
HALLYBURTON, Topher & Chica	Ministry Trainee Alice Springs	8
HARRADINE, Jack & Lill	Broken Hill	23
HARRIS, Greg & Karen	National Office	1
HEMMINGS, George & Sarah	Bendigo Youth Development	16
HERCOTT, Jennifer & Colin	CQ Registrar	27
HORNE, David & Lauren	Southern Beaches	18
HURLEY, Brendan & Laura	Bluff Point	4
ICS Richard Bromley	Intercontinental Church Society	30
IRELAND, Naomi	Children’s Ministry Officer Darwin	9
KANGAROO ISLAND	Minister Position Vacant	11
KELLY, Jacob & Sarah	Student Minister Bendigo Diocese	15

PEOPLE	LOCATION	DAY
KLOUTH, Steven & Caitlin	Ministry Trainee Bathurst Diocese	21
KYNGDON, Roger & Amanda	Newman	4
LANE, Adrian	Victorian Regional Office	13
LANGMEAD, Kurt & Rebecca	Lightning Ridge	29
LAY, Greg & Jocelyn	BCA Nomads Coordinators	2
LONGREACH/BARCALDINE	Minister Position Vacant	26
MCDONALD, Glen & Beth	Roxby Downs	11
MCGRATH, Trent & Alice	Jindabyne	24
MORGAN, Jeremy & Claire	Central Mallee	14
MURRAY BRIDGE	Minister Position Vacant	12
NADEN, Neville & Kathryn	Indigenous Ministry Officer	2
NICOL, Frank & Jo	Parish of West Pilbara	5
OWEN, Simon & Angela	Cloncurry	26
REEVE, Simon & Alison	Woolgoolga	30
ROBERTS, Simon & Alison	Exmouth/Onslow	5
SAMPSON, Paul & Cathy	NSW/ACT Regional Office	20
SKEAT, Josh & Naomi	Tasmanian Regional Office	17
Schools Ministry Coordinator	Vacant	8
TAYLOR, Dennis & Valda	First Nations Ministry Training	3
THIELE, Chris & Wendy	King Island	17
UPTIN, Mike & Sandra	QLD/NNSW Regional Office	25
VAN'T SPYKER, Philip & Jessica	Yeppoon	28
WALTON, Ruth & Lee	Nungalinya College Dean	10
WARNER, John & Geetha	SA/NT Regional Office	7
WATSON, Jim & Natalie	NT Christian Schools	9
WA Regional Office	Vacant	3

There are many things written in the Bible. For example, most of what we know about Jesus of Nazareth, we know because of the Scriptures, and yet as St John tells us at the end of His Gospel account: "Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name."

There are many other things that are not in scripture. For example, the term 'going to church' does not appear in the New Testament. While the writer of the Letter to the Hebrews, encourages their readers not to give up meeting together (10:25), more is made in the NT about being the Church. There is something significant about this issue of attending versus being the Church in these present times. The COVID pandemic has made it difficult in many places to physically meet together – albeit we are blessed to have a variety of technological responses to help us.

But in a time of uncertainty and fear, one of the things the world needs are Christians being the Church!

The Church is "the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Corinthians 12:27). What does the body of Christ do? The simple answer is, whatever Christ tells us to do! Speaking of this, Paul points out that God appointed Jesus to be head over everything for the church (Ephesians 1:22b). Being the Church means doing the same things that Jesus is doing. Speaking of Himself, Jesus said that the Son "can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does" (John 5:19). As it was for Jesus, the same is for us – we do what Jesus does. By His Spirit, we in the body are gifted and all these gifts "are the work of one and the same Spirit, and He distributes them to each one, just as He determines. (1 Corinthians 12:11). God enables us to do far more than turn up at church services – Paul says: "Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf." (1 Corinthians 10:17). And in this coming together, His Spirit is with us, equipping us to be His body.

While I would never tell believers in Christ, NOT to go to church, I would encourage them as disciples to BE THE CHURCH. That is what the world needs today – the body of Christ, energised by the Spirit, and activated within communities all around this nation.

Dr David Pohlmann
Former Schools Ministry Coordinator Darwin



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Greg H, Karen, Sue, Greg B

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Of the greatness of His government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. **Isaiah 9:7**

March

The BCA Executive meet on 17 March. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as they make decisions ensuring that BCA is still 'going the distance' to bring the gospel to remote, rural and regional Australia during 2022 and beyond.

April

Please pray for Field Staff preparing for Easter services and Regional Officers who can share the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ around Australia this month. May these occasions reach those ears who have not heard God's good news.

May

Please pray for preparations for the BCA AGM and Annual Council Meeting to be held in Sydney on 25 & 26 May. Pray that these meetings bring glory to God and His Word and may He be ever present in all discussions and decisions made.

Profile

The National Office reaches Australia for Christ by stewarding the resources God gives BCA through our many generous supporters, seeking to use these resources effectively and efficiently to sustain existing and emerging ministries. We do this alongside our Executive, Senior Officers and Volunteers.

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Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you." **Galatians 3:8**

March

Please pray for journeying mercies this month. Pray for Neville as he attends the BCA Nomads Gathering and for the Nomads as they travel. Pray also for Neville as he deputises and speaks at various churches in South Australia.

April

Please pray for all our Indigenous staff: Kim Hinkley, George & Carmel Ferguson, Jack & Lill Harradine, Dennis & Valda Taylor and us. Pray we will all know God's provision this month.

May

Pray for the Indigenous Ministry Committee: The Revd Dr Joy Sandefur, Sharon Minecon, Tony Riches, Tom Mayne and our Indigenous board member, Peter Palmer.

Profile

Neville has served as BCA's Indigenous Ministry Officer since 2017. He & Kathie relocated to Ashtonfield, East Maitland in late 2020. They are grateful to all their supporters who faithfully pray for BCA as it continues to grow its Indigenous ministry program.

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The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

Deuteronomy 31:8

March

This month we are finally able to get together in Deniliquin for the Nomads Gathering. Please pray for good conversations and safe journeys.

April

Nomads will be travelling to various places around the country; pray that they spend their time well as they reach out to Field Staff. There are also several Nomads travelling to Katherine for the Christian Convention. Pray that this year's convention can go ahead.

May

We pray for those members who are traveling to the Katherine Christian Convention and beyond; may our Lord keep them safe as they go the distance. Pray that Christ's light will shine through our Nomads as they meet other travellers.

Profile

The Bush Church Aid Nomads scheme connects Christian travellers with Field Staff and the churches they serve, so they can take part in ministry on their travels. Nomads support the work of the gospel and experience what life is like in remote areas. BCA's Field Staff and their church communities are very encouraged by the presence of Nomads and their willingness to lend a hand.

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Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved. **Psalm 80:19**

We thank God for the many years of service to BCA by Rob & Kaye Healy. Please pray for Greg Harris and the WA Committee as they seek a new Regional Officer. Also pray for the Committee as they run the WA AGM on Saturday 2 April.

Profile

The Western Australian Regional Office is located at St Alban's Anglican Church in Highgate, Perth. It covers the three Diocese of the Province of WA – Perth, North West Australia, and Bunbury. Bush Church Aid has worked historically in all three Dioceses and at present, our focus is upon supporting ministry in the North West.

Diocese of Perth | The Most Revd Kay Goldsworthy

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I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. **Philippians 4:13**

March

Please pray for the launch of The First Nations Ministry Training Initiative (FNMT) and growth of the current program. Pray as we develop roles for extra staff to support the work.

April

Please pray that we may engage and encourage new participants into the course and for safety as we travel to promote the FNMT program. Give God thanks and praise for FNMT partnerships with BCA, the Bible Society, Leading The Way, Omega Discipleship Ministries, and Perth Bible College.

May

Please pray for support staff for FNMT and for Dennis & Valda. Pray that we will be able to build and expand on curriculum and have wisdom to develop suitable course material.

Profile

Dennis & Valda Taylor have been Christians for over 40 years. Our life revolves around God's work and our immediate and extended families. Dennis has served as a church Pastor in Melbourne and Perth for 10 years, Bible College Coordinator and administrator for eight years, and AEF Australia Inc Administrator for three years. Dennis now serves as the Inaugural First Nations Ministry Training Initiative Principal/Dean/Coordinator.

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He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.

Colossians 1:28

March

Please pray that God will give Laura and the baby a safe delivery. Ask God to keep growing our church in number and maturity, and also for growth in our Splash Kids Club.

April

Give thanks for those who serve and volunteer at St George's. Please pray that God will bring many teenagers to Amplify Youth and that many will be saved.

May

Thank God for the way He keeps transforming people's lives with His gospel. Please pray that God's word will do its work in those Brendan meets with one to one.

Profile

There are many different farms near to Geraldton. But the real harvest field are the 40,000 people in the greater Geraldton area. The Hurley family has been seeking to reach people for Jesus here for three years and are praying that God would bring many to know Jesus as their Lord.

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For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels or demons
.... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the
love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:38–39**

March

We are thankful for the temperature starting to cool down. Pray that God will continue to work through the church in Newman and its people. Pray that we will be courageous in sharing the gospel with those around us.

April

Give thanks for Easter and the chance to connect with the Newman community. Please pray for preparations for the birth of our baby in the middle of May and for the church as they prepare to keep things running while we are away.

May

Pray for a safe delivery of our baby and for Amanda's health. Pray for the church in Newman while we are away and give thanks for the word of God which can encourage and point people to Jesus.

Profile

The Kyngdons have lived in the Pilbara for four years where Roger is the Minister in Charge of the Parish of Newman. The mining community is great to be a part of and there are lots of young kids. Continue to pray for us as we make more connections in the church and the local community.

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Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain. **Psalm 127:1**

March

While the Nicol family are on long service leave, please give thanks for the wonderful team looking after the church. Pray that God would give them wisdom as they proclaim the gospel and pray that they will give a good welcome to new people who come to our church.

April

Pray that the churches of Karratha will celebrate the gospel together well at Easter. Pray for our youth ministry team and praise God for the exciting growth in numbers. Pray for wisdom as we share the gospel with those young Christians.

May

As the Nicols settle back into ministry life, pray they will continue to lead the team well. May the parish of the West Pilbara be a place where Christians are built up, trained and set free for gospel ministry. Pray for Frank as he leads the team.

Profile

The Parish of the West Pilbara includes the towns of Karratha, Wickham, Roebourne and Dampier. While the Nicol family are on leave for the first quarter of the year, there is a wonderful team of committed Christians looking after church life. Please pray for growth in wisdom and maturity.

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Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst.

1 Timothy 1:15

March

Please pray that Exmouth and Onslow will not be adversely affected by cyclones this season. Pray that our Bible Study groups would grow in number and maturity in Christ. Pray that the Lord would raise up new Christian leaders in our towns.

April

As more tourists arrive in town, please pray we will have many opportunities to connect with locals and visitors over Easter. Please pray that many will hear the gospel at our Easter services in Exmouth and Onslow and that Christ will be glorified.

May

Please pray for the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia and for Simon as he represents the Diocese of North West Australia. Pray also for our church weekend away at Bullara Station (27–29 May).

Profile

Exmouth is a town on the tip of the North West Cape in WA, around 1250 kilometres north of Perth. It is a tourist town, famous for the Ningaloo Reef and Cape Range National Park. The challenge of the parish is helping people see beyond the creation to the amazing Creator.

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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. **1 Peter 1:3**

March

Pray that our newly formed Parish Council will make wise decisions that will see God's kingdom grow. Pray that God will give our church confidence in sharing the gospel and that God will provide us with many opportunities.

April

Give thanks for our Easter services. Pray that the resurrected Christ will be honoured as Lord and trusted as Saviour in our church and community. Pray that the school holiday break for our family will be restful and full of quality time.

May

Give thanks for the blessing of kids and the many kids we have being discipled at St James'. Pray for our Diocese when our Bishop Gary Nelson retires; may God sustain him and Christine as they transition.

Profile

Daniel Faricy is the Minister in Charge of St James' Anglican Church. Kununurra is an agricultural tourist town just shy of 6000 people in the wet season. It is a transient population and has a large Indigenous community (approximately 50 per cent of the population). Kununurra has many young families and people who are energised and committed to enriching the community.

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He made known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment – to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. **Ephesians 1:9–10**

March

Pray as John travels to Port Pirie, Crystal Brook & Port Lincoln this month. Pray for the BCA SA/NT Bible for the Bush Annual Supporters Evening (with AGM) on 29 March with Naomi Ireland, Greg Harris and other Field Staff.

April

Give thanks and praise that we could run our Inaugural Bible for the Bush Supporters Evening at Christ Church Cathedral in Darwin on 5 April. Give thanks and pray for Jodi Chapman serving on SA/NT committee and National Committee.

May

Pray for our Inaugural BCA Sunday at St Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide on 15 May & as John preaches evangelistically at St George's Magill on 29 May and shares about mission in the bush with Trinity City young adults and workers from 17–20 May.

Profile

The SA/NT region incorporates four dioceses – Adelaide, The Murray, Willochra and the Northern Territory. 1.8 million people live in South Australia, with 1,345,445 in metro Adelaide. This gives a mission harvest of 454,555 people in regional, rural and remote South Australia and 251,396 people in the Northern Territory.

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And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,". **Luke 1:46-47**

March

Thank God for all His disciples across the Red Centre. Ask God for our church family in Alice Springs to continue to grow in the love of Him and His word. Pray for Topher as he preaches this Sunday in Yulara. Ask God for safety on the road.

April

Thank God for the work of Jesus that we celebrate over Easter. Ask that we will grow in faith. Thank God for the school holidays and being able to rest. Ask God that Daniel and Laura will continue to enjoy school.

May

Ask God for our church family to be encouraged by His word as we walk our way through the Book of Acts. Thank God for all diocesan workers and ask for unity as we share at the Clergy Conference.

Profile

The Hallyburtons have served in Alice Springs for the past year. Topher is training as an Assistant Minister at the Anglican Church of the Ascension (with former Field Staff Kristan Slack). Alice Springs is a multicultural city with a high population of Indigenous people.



The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid? **Psalm 27:1**

Please pray for Ox Roberts and Greg Harris as they commence their search to find a new Schools Ministry Coordinator in Darwin. May the Religious Instruction, SUPA Clubs and ISCF groups continue strongly in 2022.

Profile

BCA supports Scripture Union NT in funding a Schools Ministry Coordinator who looks after Religious Instruction (Scripture/SRE), SUPA Clubs (primary) and ISCF groups (secondary) in Darwin. Following the departure of David Pohlmann in December 2021 we are looking for a new person to fill this position.

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We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people. **Colossians 1:3–4**

March

My time on Groote Eylandt is ending. Thank God for all He has taught me and for the relationships that have developed over my time here. Pray for my preparation for workshops at the Scripture Union Kids, Youth & RI Training Day in early April.

April

Pray for the preparation of the Katherine Christian Convention and our Anglican Clergy Conference in early May. Pray that they will be exciting times of Bible teaching and encouragement.

May

Please continue to pray for kids ministry initiatives. Pray that God will reveal His plans to us and we will be faithful in executing them.

Profile

Naomi works for the Anglican Diocese of the Northern Territory as the Children's Ministry Officer. Her role is to support and resource Anglican churches in the Territory (with a specific focus on Arnhem Land) as they share the good news of Jesus Christ with children.

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We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. **2 Corinthians 5:20**

March

Give thanks for Jim's new position at Northern Territory Christian Schools' trade training centre.

April

Please pray that Jim can settle into his new training/mentoring role. Pray that he can be a good ambassador and start to build relationships with his students.

May

Pray that our family will all grow in our relationship with Jesus. Pray that Jesse can concentrate on his study as this is his final year at high school.

Profile

Jim & Natalie Watson have a heart for ministry to Indigenous people. They have served with BCA since 2004; for 13 years in Kununurra and four years at Nungalinga College in Darwin. Jim now works in a trade/training role at Northern Territory Christian Schools where he focuses on mentoring Indigenous youth and young men.

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Because of the Lord's great love, we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore, I will wait for Him." **Lamentations 3:22–24**

March

There are several courses planned to run in remote centres around the Northern Territory during March and April. Please pray for the teachers as they prepare and travel, and that these courses will meet the needs of the local churches.

April

The Katherine Christian Convention takes place in early May each year and gathers Indigenous Christians from communities across the NT. Please pray for the organisers, volunteers and participants to grow in their faith and knowledge of God.

May

Now that roads are open after the wet season, please pray for opportunities to visit churches and students in remote communities. Pray that we will have wisdom, sensitivity and creativity as we listen to and talk with the leaders.

Profile

Nungalinya is the premier Combined Churches Training College for Indigenous Australians based in Darwin. As Anglican Dean, Ruth seeks to develop supportive relationships with Indigenous students so that they can succeed in their studies, grow in faith and return to their home church ready to serve.



But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen. **2 Peter 3:18**

The Rt Revd John Stead and Greg Harris continue their search for a faithful leader for the Catacomb Church in Coober Pedy. Please pray for them as well as the lay people and locums who continue to minister to the congregation and tourists who visit in season.

Profile

The Catacomb Church Coober Pedy is a small church with a big mission. Situated in outback South Australia, the congregation is committed to presenting the message of salvation to thousands of tourists who visit the church every year, as well as ministering and caring for local people.

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Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:22

March

Thank God for the partnership with Holy Trinity in Adelaide and Trinity Modbury. Please pray for the preparations for the upcoming mission to Roxby Downs during Easter. Pray that the parish will be excited by the opportunities.

April

Pray that God will prepare the hearts of the people of Roxby Downs for the Easter mission with the Trinity Church network from Adelaide. Pray that the Holy Spirit will empower the parish to proclaim the hope in Christ's death.

May

Pray that the parish will be equipped with wisdom to care for the new connections to the church through the Easter mission. Pray for our Bible study leaders to grow in their faith and be equipped to grow more disciples.

Profile

Roxby Downs is a mining town in the beautiful arid lands of South Australia, over 500 kms north of Adelaide. Together, the McDonald family hope to share their lives and the love of Jesus with the community. Glen is the minister of Roxby Downs Christian Community Church.



The Lord your God is with you, the mighty warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you, in His love He will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing. **Zephaniah 3:17**

Please pray for Greg Harris and Archbishop Geoff Smith as they seek to appoint a new minister to serve the Island. And pray for the faithful as they continue to be salt and light in the community.

Profile

Kangaroo Island is Australia's third largest island found off the coast of the mainland to the south-west of Adelaide. The island is quite vast, stretching 155 kilometres in length, and is home to about 4500 people. Kingscote is the main administrative centre and town, and the main industries are fishing, forestry, farming and tourism. The Kangaroo Island Anglican Parish has a mission to respond to God by loving Him, each other and the lost.



But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; or it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." **1 Peter 1:15–16**

Please pray for Greg Harris and Bishop Keith Dalby as they seek a godly man to lead the faithful in the parish of Murray Bridge. Please pray for the congregation as they await a new leader; may they be strengthened and be a witness to those that do not know the love of Jesus Christ.

Profile

Murray Bridge is a rural town on the banks of the Murray River 78 kilometres south-east of Adelaide. BCA is partnering with the Diocese of the Murray to fund a full-time minister for the Anglican Parish there.

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In days to come Jacob will take root, Israel will bud and blossom and fill all the world with fruit. **Isaiah 27:6**

March

Pray for fruit as Adrian preaches at Heidelberg on 20 March and Forest Hill on 10 April. May there also be fruit from the Kirkby Club lunch for former BCA Staff on 22 March and the Barnabas Group dinner for ministers that evening.

April

Pray for fruit from Adrian's participation in the Academy of Homiletics (20–22 April) and the BCA Victoria Annual Dinner with Bishop Mark Calder (Bathurst) and Field Staff Jude & Andy Benton at Glen Waverley on 30 April.

May

Pray that God will raise up a new generation of BCA members and Field Staff both from English and linguistically diverse congregations. Pray for fruit from Adrian's ministry to the Chinese congregation at North Richmond on 15 May.

Profile

Victoria has 1.5 million people from a range of cultural backgrounds in its 48 regional shires, with this number growing even more due to COVID. Pray for an outpouring of God's Spirit right across the state, drawing many in repentance and faith, and raising up a fresh wave of gospel labourers.

Sunraysia South*Serving with BCA since January 2007*

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You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.

Psalms 118:28–29

March

Thank God for His word and pray that we can establish our Bible study groups as we begin the year. Pray that in 2022 we will also establish our weekly lunch again. Pray that our children will study well in the year ahead and that God will give them His wisdom.

April

Thank God for Easter events and pray that our church will proclaim the gospel faithfully during this time. Please pray for our children to be lifelong followers of Jesus. Pray for family life over the school holiday period.

May

Thank God for RENEW, our shopfront ministry, and pray that it will be a good place to nurture relationships with our wider community and give opportunities to share the gospel. Pray for our Parish Council in decision making and our family in everyday life.

Profile

Dale Barclay is the Rector in Charge of the Anglican Parish of Sunraysia South (APOSS) which aims to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus with the core being a Bible-based, Christ-centred church. We seek to serve the community and share Jesus through many and varied programs.

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I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters are anything, but only God, who makes things grow. **1 Corinthians 3:6–7**

March

Pray that the members of our congregations will take up opportunities during the season of Lent to grow in faith and meet together for worship, study and fellowship wherever possible.

April

Please pray that Holy week and Easter services will be strong witnesses in our communities and congregations. Pray that we will have energy and vitality as we travel and lead worship, so that the ministry will be sustained throughout this season.

May

Please pray for our farmers as they sow their crops; that there will be seasonable weather and rains this autumn.

Profile

Claire & Jeremy Morgan minister in the Co-operative Parish of Central Mallee and the Uniting Church Parish of Tyrrell in the Diocese of Bendigo. Their ministry includes nine congregations spread over 200 kilometres in north-western Victoria.

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Baby Theodore born October 2021



For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. **Colossians 1:13–14**

March

Please pray for Jacob as he formally begins his ministry in Kyabram, Stanhope and Tongala. Pray for wisdom, energy, resilience and peace as Jacob & Sarah adapt to their new location and meet the community.

April

Pray for Jacob as he preaches and conducts Easter services throughout the Kyabram District. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will touch those who hear the word of God, so that they are convicted and persuaded to follow Christ.

May

Please pray for Jacob & Sarah as they both seek to create new networks in Kyabram.

Profile

The Kellys' serve in the Kyabram District of Northern Victoria. Jacob ministers to St Andrew's Kyabram, St James' Tongala and St Matthew's Stanhope. Jacob & Sarah have served in rural Australia with BCA for three years and are still loving it.

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Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! **Philippians 4:4**

March

Please pray for Rob's health; for healing or good management of chronic health symptoms. Pray for good relationships at church and in our neighbourhood.

April

Thank God for providing for all our needs and the opportunity of sharing the good news at Easter. Pray that many will repent and believe in Jesus.

May

Praise God for the children at Strathfieldsaye Community Church and the kids' program that runs each Sunday morning. Pray that God will raise up new leaders and the children will continue to grow in their faith.

Profile

Strathfieldsaye Community Church is a combined church of Anglicans and Unitings who love Jesus and is in the heart of Strathfieldsaye on the outskirts of Bendigo. Strathfieldsaye is a growing community with many retirees and young families.

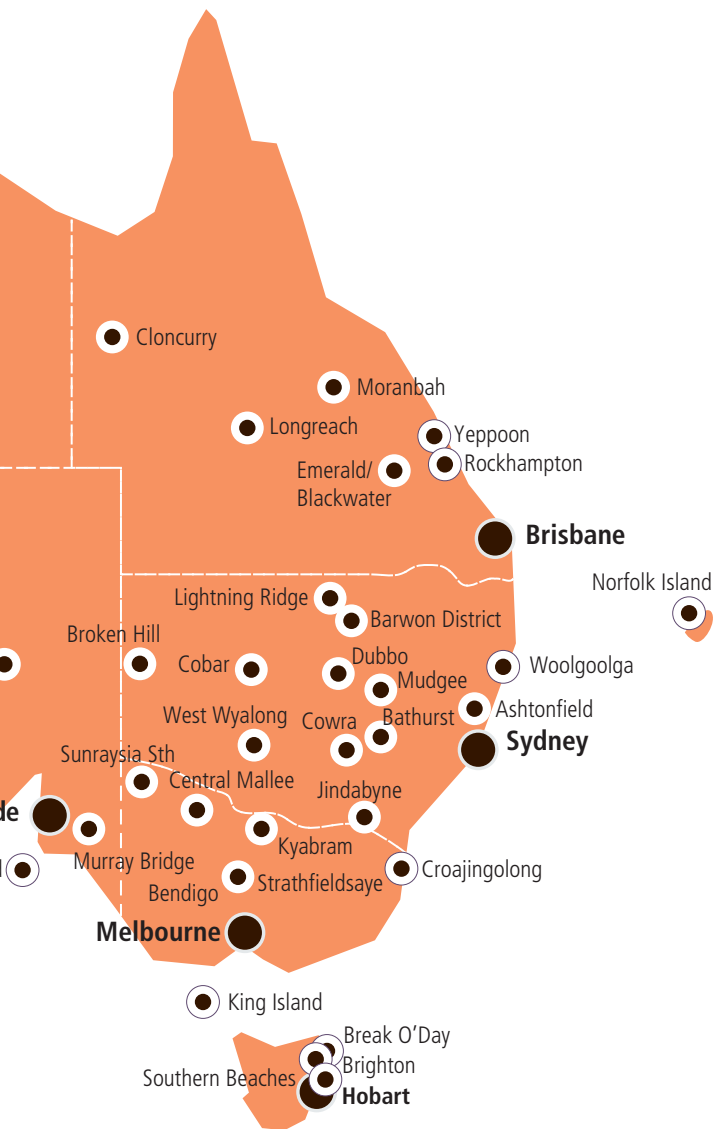


THE BCA PRAYER

Lord our God, help us to remember those who live in isolated and remote parts of our land. We ask you to strengthen and encourage all whose ministries are supported by The Bush Church Aid Society. Refresh them in times of discouragement and loneliness and call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known.

Grant that, through the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, through caring service and by support for young people, the message of your redeeming love may be proclaimed and accepted by the people of our land.

We ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, His power, and the wonders He has done. **Psalm 78:4**

March

Pray that we can resource parishes in the Diocese with ways to connect with children and families over Easter. Give thanks for all the places and people seeking to share the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection this season.

April

Give thanks for those who welcome children and families at services across the Diocese at Easter and every Sunday. Pray that the Bendigo Diocesan Clergy Conference at the end of April will be a time of renewal and encouragement.

May

Pray for the ongoing development of Sunday School-in-a-Box; that as parishes take up use of this resource, we can further refine the materials and training. Pray for Sarah's ministry at the school, with staff, students and families.

Profile

The Hemmings family are based in Bendigo, Victoria. Sarah ministers as a teacher at a local Christian School. George serves as the Archdeacon of Bendigo and the Goldfields and is the Children's, Youth & Families Ministry Development Officer.

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In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. **Matthew 5:16**

March

As the Mallacoota bushfire documentary screens on ABC, may it show the church and Jude's role in the community in a positive light. Pray that it inspires people around the nation to engage with their own local church, and churches with their local communities.

April

We pray for our Easter Sunday services; that all who attend will be renewed in their faith. May the hope of the resurrection lift our eyes to new possibilities for ministry and evangelism.

May

As the busy tourist season ends and winter begins, we pray for rest and relaxation for the townsfolk, particularly those who have worked so hard over the summer.

Profile

After four years living in Mallacoota, Jude & Andy are becoming well established in the community. In this coming year it is hoped that we can further cement relationships in Mallacoota, and build new networks into Cann River and the smaller communities off the highway of this remote corner of Victoria.

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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! **2 Corinthians 5:17**

March

Pray for Josh as he seeks to finalise his deputation calendar for the year. Pray for great opportunities to speak about BCA's work, and new connections with people and parishes.

April

Pray for our Field Staff as they celebrate Easter; that God will empower them as they proclaim the message of the Gospel and that many will hear and respond.

May

Pray for the Parish of Deloraine, as they work with City to City to revitalise the parish and launch a new congregation in 2022.

Profile

Josh & Naomi have ministered in the Parish of Deloraine for four years. Through missional children's and families' ministries, they are beginning to see new people reached with the gospel. Josh focuses on strengthening links with Field Staff and increasing the visibility of BCA across Tasmania.

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“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? **Romans 10:13–14**

March

Please pray for our Youth Group, EPIC. Due to the success of last year, and by popular demand, we will go from Grades 7–9 to Grades 7–10. Pray also that we will be able to navigate any COVID restrictions that may impact the functioning of this group.

April

Pray for the impact of the Easter story; that it will continue to resonate in the hearts and minds of King Islanders. Pray also that we may seek new outreach opportunities.

May

Pray for wisdom and guidance as we seek to assess and re-vision the parish. May our church family have a passion to reach “the least, the last, and the lost.” Give thanks for the excellent relationships we have been building in the wider community.

Profile

Chris & Wendy Thiele minister on King Island which is in the middle of Bass Strait with a population of about 1600 and is known for its rich farming, cheese, crayfish, fresh air and beauty. This isolation gives the opportunity for strong community engagement and real relationships.

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Jesus replied, "You do not realise now what I am doing, but later you will understand." **John 13:7**

March

Praise God for His immutability and His concurrent flexibility. Pray for workers for the harvest in Brighton; for some hearts of good soil. Pray for the growth of Salt, and for the encouragement of the Salt community.

April

Thank God for all those who support Salt prayerfully and financially. Pray for increased finances to be used for Salt's community outreach. Pray for funding for a children's worker for discipleship and school outreach.

May

Thank Jesus for His direction and guidance of Salt and for Chris as He seeks to establish Salt in a missionary context. Pray for openness of people to the gospel. May people be searching for God and may they find Him in Jesus through Salt.

Profile

The Duffs are based on the northern outskirts of Hobart. They work as pioneer ministers having planted a church in Brighton: Salt – Jordan Valley Anglican. They focus on growing disciples of Jesus who will grow other disciples for Jesus.

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The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.

Psalms 97:1

March

When our borders opened in December, we knew we were going back into the fray that many other states have had for the past two years. Please pray that regardless of restrictions, we would rejoice that God still reigns and rules over His world.

April

With summer well and truly behind us, our part of the world begins a bit of hibernation. Please pray that the light of Christ would shine through our church and draw people toward Him to find salvation.

May

Please pray that we would continue to think creatively about our ministries so that we are focused on making disciples in our community. The gospel never needs rebranding, but sometimes our programs do.

Profile

Our parish has begun the process of finding a new Rector, which has significant impact on ministry in the Southern Beaches. We are all praying that God would bring someone who can further fan the flame of our gospel witness, supporting us to live and share the good news every day.



He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then He said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." **Revelation 21:5**

March

Pray for continued growth of the preaching resource, as well as opportunities for the material to be utilised in our rural and regional parishes.

April

Pray for Josh as he seeks to meet with ministry teams to train them in accessing and using the resources. Pray also that any adjustments to the database can be enacted quickly and smoothly.

May

Pray for our partner ministers who are preparing and making available their teaching. May they be blessed as their faithful preaching blesses others.

Profile

With the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania and Ridley College, BCA is investing in developing online ministry for Tasmania's rural and remote Anglican churches. The Project is supported by BCA and Diocesan staff, and The Revd Josh Skeat (BCA Regional Officer)

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Paul & Cathy, Phil, Rachel

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence.... striving together as one for the faith of the gospel.

Philippians 1:27

March

Praise God for the appointment of The Revd Paul Sampson as the Regional Officer for NSW/ACT. Pray that he and Cathy will settle quickly into this new adventure in serving the gospel of Jesus in the bush.

April

Praise God for the continuing reminder of His grace in action. Pray that many who heard the gospel of Jesus this Easter, perhaps for the first time, might respond to His good news with repentance and faith.

May

Praise God for our faithful Field Staff who, week by week, teach faithfully from God's word and proclaim the gospel of Jesus. Pray that God will raise even more people to take His gospel to those who do not know Him.

Profile

The NSW/ACT Region incorporates five dioceses: Sydney, Canberra & Goulburn, Newcastle, Bathurst, and Riverina. With over 440 parishes and a population of over 7 million, the region has incredible ministry opportunities, and challenges.

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By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. **Hebrews 11:8**

March

Please pray for the training events taking place this month for our teachers and chaplains. Pray that these will be times of encouragement as we connect in person and sharpen our skills.

April

Give thanks for the opportunities SRE teachers had recently to share the Easter story with their students. Please pray that each student will consider what Jesus' sacrifice means for them and that they can make the choice to follow Him.

May

Please pray that God will reveal the right people to fill the remaining vacant SRE Teacher and Chaplain positions in NSW. Please ask that good connections be made between churches and the people in these roles as we seek to grow the Kingdom together.

Profile

Rachael works with Generate and BCA as a Field Development Manager, seeking to support SRE Boards, SRE Teachers and Chaplains employed in public schools throughout Central West NSW. She is passionate about the opportunities provided through school's ministry for children to hear the gospel.

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I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me – just as the Father knows me and I know the Father – and I lay down my life for the sheep. **John 10:14–15**

March

Praise God for a positive start to the year, as ministries get into full swing. Pray that the Lord will continue to grow us in our knowledge and love of Him and that our church family will grow in maturity.

April

Praise God for our Easter services; that the Gospel was preached clearly and persuasively. Pray for follow up with people who attended our services.

May

Pray that our family outreach ministries will be effective in demonstrating the hope of the Gospel. Pray that God will provide increasing opportunities for the members of our congregation to share what Jesus means to them with non-Christians.

Profile

Steven & Caitlin Klouth are continuing their service at All Saints Cathedral, Bathurst. Steven is training as Assistant Minister and helping to grow the Cathedral's new contemporary service. Steven & Caitlin are excited to be a part of the church and community and look forward to seeing what ministry and gospel opportunities God puts in front of them.

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All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. **2 Timothy 3:16**

March

Thank God for revealing Himself through His word. Ask God to enable us to be taught, rebuked, corrected, and trained in righteousness. Ask God for many opportunities to share His word with people through our outreach visiting.

April

Thank God for the usefulness of His word in ministry. Please enable us to be faithful servants of God, thoroughly equipped for every excellent work. Ask God to encourage our parish in outreach after Easter.

May

Thank God for the coherent, consistent, and reliable testimony to Christ that His word gives. Ask God to teach, rebuke, correct, and train people in righteousness as we proclaim His word.

Profile

This evangelistic role involves reaching out to people in the Anglican Parish of Cudgegong Valley with a focus upon Mudgee. James & Brittany along with an evangelism team seek to connect with people, share the gospel, and establish people in fellowship.



When hard pressed, I cried to the Lord; He brought me into a spacious place. The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? **Psalm 118:5–6**

Please pray for Bishop Mark Calder and Greg Harris as they commence the search for ministers for the parishes of West Wyalong, Cowra and Cobar. Pray that the Lord will raise up gospel workers with the pioneering spirit of years gone by who are willing to make the sacrifices involved in leaving cities and families behind. Pray that the Lord will open people's eyes to see the fields which are ripe for harvest.

Profile

The parishes of West Wyalong, Cowra and Cobar are located in Central West NSW in the Diocese of Bathurst. In partnership with BCA, the Diocese is looking to fund full-time ministers for each of these locations.

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Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. **Matthew 11:28**

March

The past couple of years have been challenging. Thank God for His strength. Worship Him and pray for us as we continue to preach the gospel and care for one another. Pray for the challenges ahead and for God's power in preaching and witnessing.

April

Again, give thanks and praise for God's blessings. Thank Him for His love, mercy, and grace. Praise Him for His protection and provision and for His strength and power. Pray for the prisoners at the jail who we minister to.

May

Give thanks for every good and wonderful gift. Give thanks and praise for His love, mercy, and grace. Thank the Father for His provision and protection and His power to preach the word. Please pray for the Living Desert fellowship.

Profile

Broken Hill has a population of around 18,000 with quite a few mainstream and independent churches. There is also a large Indigenous population. Jack & Lill Harradine lead the Living Desert Indigenous Church which aims to spread the gospel amongst this target group.

Norfolk Island

Serving with BCA from January 2022

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Harry (2017)



This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. **1 John 4:10**

March

Please pray for the Carletons' as they continue to build relationships within the Norfolk Island community. Pray for patience, humility and gentleness as we seek to love the people and the culture on the Island.

April

As we celebrated Easter this month, thank God for the opportunities throughout April to talk to those in our community about the saving work of Jesus. Ask that God will work in the hearts of those who are lost to bring them into His kingdom.

May

Pray that the saints on Norfolk Island will continue to be reminded each day of Christ's love for them and that they will be filled with servant hearts to take God's message of salvation through Jesus to others on the Island.

Profile

Norfolk Island is about 1400 kms off the coast of Australia, due east of Byron Bay and has about 1800 permanent residents. The Island has a rich Christian history but please pray that God will build up His church. The Carleton family moved to Norfolk Island in January 2022 to begin ministry there.

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May the favour of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us, yes, establish the work of our hands. **Psalm 90:17**

March

Pray for our people (TVC) to get caught up in the work of the Lord multiplying His Church as we begin our teaching series in the Book of Acts this month. May their courage and zeal be our courage and zeal to keep sharing the gospel.

April

This month we were joined by a few families and staff from Figtree Anglican Church to try and reach families in the Jindabyne area through a Holiday Kids Program. Praise God for team unity and chemistry, and that He would save people through this outreach.

May

Please pray that God will provide a Christian business or entity to lease part of our church land so that through the lease income our ministry might be funded for future years.

Profile

Jindabyne is a growing alpine community set in the rural Snowy Mountains. It has a year-round need for gospel-centred churches to proclaim the good news of Jesus and nurture Christian community. To that end, we have planted The Village Church as a new missional expression of the Anglican Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn.

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Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy. **1 Peter 1:8**

March

Give thanks for the Bush and Bible Day held on 5 March and for the encouragement from Bishop Peter Grice and George & Carmel Ferguson. Give thanks for new BCA Field Staff, Jen & Colin Hercott, who were commissioned on the day.

April

Give thanks for Simon & Angela Owen who were commissioned in Cloncurry this month. Also give thanks for Easter and the opportunity to remind our community of the need to come to Jesus for salvation and hope.

May

Give thanks for the opportunities to do deputations in the Grafton Diocese (Kyogle & Sawtell last month, Maclean & Woolgoolga this month). Pray for Bishop Murray Harvey; that he will continue to grow in faith as he leads the Diocese.

Profile

The QLD/NNSW Region comprises five Anglican Dioceses: Armidale, Grafton, Southern Queensland, Central Queensland and North Queensland. Around 60 per cent of the population of the region live in the southeast corner of Queensland. Pray for wisdom in balancing ministry to these people with ministry to rural, regional and remote parts.

**Anglican Church Southern Queensland |
The Most Revd Dr Phillip Aspinall**

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I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. **Galatians 2:20**

March

We have finished our ministry at Eagle Vale Anglican Church and are currently enjoying some long service leave. Please pray for quality family time, rest and refreshment in the Lord before we move to Cloncurry.

April

Please thank God for an encouraging commissioning service on Friday 8 April, for our first Sunday at Cloncurry Anglican on 10 April and as we settle into our new community. Pray for our daughter Grace (5) who starts school as Term 2 begins.

May

Please pray that God will enable us to build lots of new friendships with those at church and in the community. Pray for Grace & Esther as they adjust to starting school and preschool.

Profile

Simon & Angela Owen, together with their daughters Grace and Esther will commence their service in Cloncurry on Palm Sunday 2022. The town of Cloncurry has a population of just under 3000; it is situated in far north-west Queensland 120 kms from Mt Isa. The main industries are mining and cattle.



May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. **1 Thessalonians 3:12**

Please pray for the lay ministers who are looking after the parishes of Longreach, Barcaldine and Winton until the Bishop and Greg Harris find a suitable replacement to lead the faithful in the Central West. May the person of God's choosing be found to lead these parishes in His good time.

Profile

Longreach is in central west Queensland, 700 kilometres west of Rockhampton. Barcaldine is a small town located 100 kilometres east of Longreach situated on Lagoon Creek. Following the departure of Graeme & Susan Liersch in December 2020 lay ministers have been looking after the parishes until a new minister is found.

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Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. **John 12:25**

March

Please pray for our Easter Messy Church service and other outreach events that we will run before the end of Term 1.

April

Please pray for our Religious Instruction classes which are restarting this year in a new format following a COVID pause. Pray that students will be receptive to the message of Jesus.

May

Pray for our Year for Refreshment Mission that we are undertaking to connect with more people in the community.

Profile

The Collings family have served in Moranbah since 2017.

The community is very transient with many people only staying in town for a few years at a time. Luke & Julia focus on sharing Jesus Christ with the many young families and single people in the area.

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Lachlan (2001)



You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. **John 15:16**

March

Pray that the family settles well into the rhythm of life in Rockhampton, and that Jen is able to create an action plan with Bishop Peter for the development of Diocesan policies.

April

Thank God for the holiday programs and Easter Services across the Diocese. Please pray that God will raise up willing servants to fill vacant parishes.

May

Pray for the roll out of support structures across the Diocese, and thank God for the opportunity for Jen to attend General Synod earlier this month.

Profile

Serving with BCA since January 2022, Jen is the Registrar of the Diocese of Central Queensland. This is a strategic ministry position and supports ministry and mission across the Diocese.



But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. **Matthew 6:33**

Please give thanks to God for Peter & Christine Brain serving as locums in the first part of this year. Pray for them as they settle, and for the congregation as they support them. Pray for the Blackwater congregation as they settle into a different style of worship. Pray that the church community will be a place of connection and refuge for families and young people. Pray that God will raise up a permanent leader for Emerald/Blackwater who will love these towns and its people.

Profile

Emerald and Blackwater are mining towns located to the west of Rockhampton. The Anglican Diocese of Central Queensland and Bush Church Aid are looking for a minister-in-charge who will provide a regular presence in the community, proclaiming Christ in a way that people can access, connect with and respond to.

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Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

1 John 4:11

March

Pray for our Launch CQ (a leadership training camp for teenagers). Pray that the teenagers can be equipped to be godly and serve God in their churches and wherever He takes them in His world.

April

God willing, we will have a kids camp over the last weekend in April. Pray the children will grow in their love for Jesus and that God will raise up enough leaders for this ministry.

May

As winter approaches, many tourists arrive in town, some stay for the winter. Pray that our people can share the gospel with visitors and that they may be saved or strengthened in their faith to live for Jesus.

Profile

Philip & Jessica serve in the Keppel Anglican Parish in Yeppoon & Emu Park and across Central Queensland with the Anglican Diocese. Jessica is the chaplain at the local state school. Together they seek to grow families and young people into disciples of Jesus.

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Timothy (2021)



But God raised Him from the dead on the third day and caused Him to be seen. **Acts 10:40**

March

Pray that resurrection power will be at work in the introduction of Jesus to children and youth when the annual Northlight mission week returns (God-willing) from 27 March–3 April.

April

Pray that the risen Christ was 'seen' in His gospel by those not-yet saved through our Easter services and outreach opportunities (including the annual River Convention).

May

Christ still lives! Pray that He will continue to pour out His Spirit on His people to live transformed lives in Lightning Ridge and surrounding communities (including Cumborah and Goodooga).

Profile

Lightning Ridge is an iconic town in north-western NSW, famous for its rare black opal. Kurt, Bec and the kids arrived in 2020 and have since been joined by Heather Robinson (children's worker) and Phil Murdoch (MTS apprentice). LRCC is about 'Building Christ's Church – in the Ridge, on the Rock!'

Barwon District Anglican Parish

*Serving with BCA since February 2018
(Barwon District since January 2020)*

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And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. **1 Peter 5:4**

March

Pray for the spread of the gospel as the River Convention travels around Northwest New South Wales. Pray that people will receive the good news of Jesus and respond with open hearts.

April

Pray for opportunities to get involved in community events so we can tell people the good news of the Gospel. Continue to pray for guidance for us as we serve our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for the Indigenous Ministry Workshop to be held in Narrabri.

May

Please pray for the planned outreach in Collarenebri on the Queen's birthday weekend. Also pray for wisdom as we plan a NAIDOC service in Walgett.

Profile

George & Carmel serve God in Walgett and Collarenebri. George serves as the Vicar of the Barwon Special District Anglican Parish. George & Carmel are committed to preaching the gospel and spreading the good news of salvation.

Woolgoolga

Serving with BCA since December 2017

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Joel (2012)



Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. **Romans 12:12**

March

Please pray that we would speak boldly this Easter time, and invite many from our Playgroup, Youth Group and community groups to church. May they accept the invitation.

April

Pray for the Australian General Synod, for clear direction and that the gospel will continue to be proclaimed faithfully throughout our country.

May

Pray as we equip congregation members to do church ministry.

Profile

The Parish of Woolgoolga is part of the Diocese of Grafton. Simon is the Young Families Minister at Northern Beaches Anglican and helps facilitate families' ministry across the Diocese, seeking to reach the next generation of North Coast Anglicans with the good news of Jesus. The Diocese stretches from Port Macquarie to the Tweed.

**Richard Bromley – Mission Director**

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Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise. **Jeremiah 17:14**

March

Please pray for the chaplaincy recruitment that ICS is involved in: Amsterdam, Utrecht, Vevey and Chateau d'Oex. 'Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field' Matthew 9:38.

April

We are hopeful that the ICS Chaplains and Families' Conference took place this year (25–29 April) after two years of cancellations. Please pray that it was a joyful event where we were able to meet up again in person.

May

Pray for expectation and excitement as we are hopefully able to explore restarting new work this year. May God provide new feasible opportunities.

Profile

ICS partners with around 55 Chaplains and assistant Chaplains working in 65 new and long-established congregations in Europe, North Africa, South America and the South Atlantic. We also provide resort ministry in holiday destinations in Europe and the Mediterranean.

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Ms Gemma Kleywegt

The Revd Tom Melbourne

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Mr Martin Drevikovsky

The Revd Stephen May

The Revd Rod Morris

The Revd Michael Stuart

Please pray for:

- God's direction and wisdom as the Executive consider various strategic directions and the implementation of new programs in 2022.
- Careful and responsible management, patience, and perseverance in this special ministry to the Society.
- Wisdom and discernment under God's care.

Pray for Former BCA Field Staff

David & Crystal Fell

Praise God that we have settled into life back in Sydney and for our commencement at GyMEA Anglican. Please pray for our children as they make new friends and adjust to life on the mainland.



Brad & Joh Henley

Please continue to pray for the Henley family as they minister in Noosa on the Sunshine Coast of Queensland. Also pray for the faithful in Kangaroo Island as they await a new minister.



Ted & Michelle Brush

Pray for Paul Sampson to settle into his new role as NSW/ACT Regional Officer. Pray for Michelle and I as we settle into regular church together and as I settle into my new role at Moore College.



Rob & Kaye Healy

Give thanks to God for our new role at the Parish of Swan in the Diocese of Perth. We also give thanks for the birth of our grandchildren.



Pray for Former BCA Field Staff



Trevor & Cindy Bell

Please continue to pray that Sunday School in a Box is utilised and is a joy to the children who engage with it in various parishes across the Diocese of Bendigo. Pray for us as we continue to focus our attention on growing and supporting the Parish of South East Bendigo.



David & Margaret Pohlmann

Please pray that Scripture Union, assisted by BCA, would find the right person to take up David's former role of Schools Ministry Coordinator in Darwin.

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November 2022

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- An Island Discovery Tour
- A visit to Fletcher's Mutiny Cyclorama
- A tour of historical Georgian settlement Kingston
- A visit to Hilli Goat Farm
- A wonderland by night tour
- A glass bottom boat ride
- Thanksgiving celebrations
- The chance to meet new Norfolk Island Field Staff the Carleton family



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