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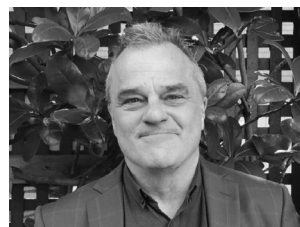
**“Let us hold firmly to the hope that we have confessed. We can trust God to do what he promised. Let us think about each other and help each other to show love and do good deeds.” – Hebrews 10:23**

What a reassuring verse as we navigate life through this chaotic and desperate world! It's inexcusable that so many people live in appalling poverty; die from preventable diseases or face discrimination through no fault of their own and its tragic that so many people will never experience the hope that only Christ can bring. Covid, conflict and climate change only add to the desperation many countries face.

Into this hurting world, Christians are praying. Sometimes those prayers are full of hope and an unshakable trust that things will come right in the end. Sometimes those prayers may be full of anger and frustration. Both prayers are needed. At Anglican Missions we can be impacted by the very worst of humanity but are able to see and support some of the very best – people committed to putting others first; people committed to bringing hope and light.

The prayers in this booklet, one for each day of the month, focus on the work of Anglican Missions and Anglican World Aid (AWA) Aotearoa, our new agency that administers our international development and humanitarian projects. Let us hold on to the hope we say we have and not be changed. We can trust God that He will do what He promised. Let us help each other to love others and to do good.

Your prayers and your support make a difference. Thank you!



Ngā manaakitanga

**Rev Michael Hartfield**  
National Director



# PARTNERING IN PRAYER GETTING STARTED

*Partners in Prayer* is produced by Anglican Missions to enrich the prayer life of the Anglican Church and beyond.

## How do I use *Partners in Prayer*?

*Partners in Prayer* has a page for each of the 31 possible days in a month. For example, if it's the 15th of the month, use day 15. Don't let this stop you from praying for whatever you feel led to!

Use this book to engage with the prayer life of Anglican Missions and the Anglican church however you feel led.

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# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## FIJI

**Today we pray for the people of Fiji and in particular the staff and clergy of the Diocese of Polynesia.**

Following the global COVID 19 pandemic, many people in Fiji continue to struggle to make ends meet. This is especially real for those who were formerly employed in the Tourism industry, where the pandemic took a heavy toll.

### We pray for

- The new government of Fiji that was elected in December 2022
- The ongoing social issues of poverty, violence and abuse faced by many
- The resilience of people who suffer from the direct effects of climate change
- The youth of Fiji as they find their identities in times of challenge and hardship
- Karen Chute, who manages Anglican Missions and AWA Projects in Polynesia
- For peace and stability in our land

### We give thanks for

- The newly elected government of Fiji, who lead our people
- Bishop Elect Sione Ulu'ilakepa and our leaders in the Diocese of Polynesia

### Collect

You O God are the living Word, you elude us, yet surprise us by your presence: encourage us to seek you and let our searching help others to find their way; through Jesus Christ.

**"And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast." 1 Peter 5:10**

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# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## SAMOA

**Today we pray for the people of Samoa and in particular the staff and clergy of the Diocese of Polynesia.**

Following the global COVID 19 pandemic, many of our people in Samoa continue have difficulty making ends meet. This is especially real to those who live overseas and struggle to support their families financially back home.

### We pray for

- The Samoa Archdeaconry led by Archdeacon Chris Solomona
- All Saints Anglican Church, led by Vicar, Reverend Raymond Betham
- All Saints Anglican School, Principal Rachel Solomona and staff
- The ongoing social issues of poverty, violence and abuse faced by many
- The resilience of people who suffer from the direct effects of climate change
- The emerging youth of Fiji as they find their identities in times of challenge and hardship

### We give thanks for

- The mission of the Church in Leififi, Apia, Samoa
- The mission of the Anglican School in Samoa

### Collect

Gracious God it is our privilege to pray for your world and your people, and so we pray for strength and resilience in facing climate crises.

**"Dear ones, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who practices righteousness, the one who strives to live a consistently honorable life – in private as well as in public – is righteous, just as He is righteous."**

1 John 3:7

# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA TONGA

**Today we pray for the people of Tonga and in particular the staff and clergy of the Diocese of Polynesia.**

Following the COVID 19 pandemic and devastating volcanic eruption and tsunami, many people in Tonga continue to struggle to make ends meet.

## We pray for

- Our Monarch, King George VI and his leadership
- The Episcopal Unit of Tonga and the leadership of Bishop Elect Sione Ulu'ilakepa
- The leadership in the parishes of St Paul's, Nuku'alofa; All Saints, Fasi; St Barnabas, Mataika; St Matthias, Pahu; St Andrew, Vava'u and Holy Trinity, Haapai
- The mission of St Andrew's Anglican High School
- Recovery for those who have lingering trauma from the events of January 2022

## We give thanks for

- The mission of the Church in Tonga

- The resilience of our people in the face of disasters
- Disaster preparedness initiatives and climate action programmes including Community Outreach Vulnerability Analysis (CIVA)
- Anglican Missions Tongan Project Officers: Siva Sunia, Taniela Koloamatangi and Siope Koloamatangi

## Collect

God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble. So, we will not be afraid though the earth should quake and mountains fall into the depth of the sea. The Lord will take by the hand and lead us to safety in his love to sturdy ground.

**"Get up, for this matter is your responsibility, and we support you. Be strong and take action!"** Ezra 10:4



St Andrew's High School students singing (October 2022).

# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## SUPPORTING THE VULNERABLE

Today we pray for those in communities who are especially vulnerable, and for all those who support them.

### We pray for

#### The House of Sarah, which:

- Provides Christian counselling and actively work to eliminate gender inequality, discrimination and violence against women and children
- Is a voluntary first responder for women in vulnerable situations ("Sarah Carers")
- Fosters ecumenical partnerships and encourages Christians to work together to end domestic violence in the Pacific

#### The Community of the Sacred Name and The Order of the Moana St Clare, which:

- Provides care for those at St Christopher's Home in Suva
- Is planning a new home for boys over 13

### We give thanks for

- The House of Sarah's partnership with UN Women and the SASA!Faith programme that aims to end violence against women and girls
- Ongoing work throughout Fiji's multi-faith community

### Collect

Healing God, you speak into the hurting and wounded places; empower us to speak your vision of wholeness, and turn action in the face of injustice, that empowered by the Spirit we may be agents of your healing love, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**"Now he who supplies seed to the farmer and bread to eat will also supply you with seed and multiply it and enlarge the harvest that results from your righteousness."**

2 Corinthians 9:10



Discussions after church, Golden Oldies visit to Fiji (2022).

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# DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Today we pray for those swept over by natural disasters, and for those who extend their hands to pick them back up.

The annual cyclone season and storm surges are getting stronger with the growing impact of climate change. Our people in the Pacific need to be more resilient than ever before, and our response to emergencies needs to be quick, effective and sustainable.

### We pray for

- The work of Anglican Missions in partnership with The Diocese of Polynesia
- Pacific Projects Manager Karen Chute Delaivoni and the team in Tonga

### We give thanks for

- The prepositioned containers that practically assist communities in Fiji and Tonga

- Our partners in the Pacific, who continue to support the Diocese both during and after natural disasters

### Collect

Hear the voice of my pleading when I cry to for help, when I lift up my hands. You are my strength and my shield, my heart trusts in you and I am helped.

**"For God is not so unjust as to forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have ministered to the saints and continue to minister to them."** Hebrews 6:10

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# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

Today we pray for the Anglican Church in Melanesia (ACoM), which includes Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and New Caledonia.

### We pray for

*The bishops, clergy and people of the nine dioceses: Melanesia, Guadalcanal, the Central Solomons, Hanuato'o, Malaita, Temotu, Vanuatu/New Caledonia, Ysabel, Banks & Torres*

- The Most Rev Leonard Dawea – Archbishop of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia
- The Rt Rev Benedict Loe
- The Rt Rev Steven Koete
- The Rt Rev Arthur Abui
- The Rt Rev Samuel Sahu
- The Rt Rev Rickson Maomaoru
- The Rt Rev Willie Tungdale
- The Rt Rev James Tama
- The Rt Rev Ellison Quity
- The Rt Rev Patteson Worek
- The Rt Rev Othnielson Gamutu
- The Melanesian Board of Mission
- The General Secretary, Dr. Abraham Hauriasi and the staff of the Provincial Office in Honiara

### 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)
- Literacy programmes and those whose lives are enriched through them

### Collect

O Jesus 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.

**"Don't be afraid, because I'm with you; don't be anxious, because I am your God. I keep on strengthening you; I'm truly helping you. I'm surely upholding you with my victorious right hand."** Isaiah 41:10



# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

## SISTERS + BROTHERS

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

Their work and witness in the communities they serve is especially vital among those who have suffered as a result of civil conflict.

### We pray for

- The Melanesian Brotherhood
- The Society of Saint Francis
- Self-sufficiency, improved diet and stronger economic outcomes in local communities through projects like poultry farming, sewing and mini-canteens
- The Christian Care Centre, which ministers to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse

### We give thanks for

- The Community of the Sisters of the Church (Melanesia and Honiara),

who manage the Christian Care Centre and work directly with survivors of abuse and violence

### Collect

God our father, your gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints, for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

**"I've had help from God to this day, and so I stand here to testify to both the powerful and the lowly alike, stating only what the prophets and Moses said would happen."** Acts 26:22



Melanesia Sisters working in their gardens, Solomon Islands (2021).



# PEOPLE IN CRISIS

**COVID-19, climate change, natural disasters and human-induced conflict disproportionately affect the poor and vulnerable.**

Today we remember those who have been affected by storms and cyclones, flooding and droughts, earthquakes and tsunami as well as war, famine and conflict.

## We pray for

- The over 100 million refugees or internally displaced peoples
- The 22,000 of God's children who will die today as a direct result of poverty
- Pacific Island communities which consistently battle the effects of climate change
- Resilience for all those in crisis, and for them to know God's comfort, hope and protection

## We give thanks for

- Churches, communities and countries that provide hope, practical support and open doors to everyone
- Anglican Alliance for its global focus on development, relief, resilience and advocacy
- The Association of Anglican Women (AAW) and the H&W Williams

Memorial Trust for their long-standing and generous support in the Pacific

- Our key response partners that include Anglican Overseas Aid, the Anglican Board of Missions Australia, Christian World Service, Tearfund and Episcopal Relief and Development
- Precious aid and humanitarian workers, who often in extreme conditions support those most in need

## Collect

O God, our times are in your hand. In the midst of uncertainty lead us by your never-failing grace as we seek to be agents of healing and hope. Walk with us through difficult times; watch over us in danger; and give to us a spirit of love and compassion for those who suffer and mourn.

**"So then, encourage one another and build each other up, as you are doing."**

1 Thessalonians 5:11

# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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

## We pray for

*The 110 parishes, numerous mission districts and 112 priests engaged in active ministries:*

- The Rt Rev Nathan Ingen – Acting Archbishop of ACPNG
- The Rt Rev Lindsley Ihove – Bishop of Popondetta
- The Rt Rev Reginald Makele – Bishop of New Guinea Islands
- The election of the new Bishop of Port Moresby
- The election of the new Bishop of Dogura
- Sir Bernard Sakora, ACPNG Chancellor
- Mr. Kenneth Copland Raurela – Registrar for ACPNG
- Mr. Dennis Kabekabe – Acting General Secretary for ACPNG
- Mr. James Raurela – Director Finance ACPNG
- Mr. Bradley Gideon – Acting Health Secretary ACPNG
- Diocesan Secretary's and appointment of new Education secretary
- The religious and ministry communities of ACPNG

- Church Partnership Program – Mr Michael Ambo, CPP Coordinator
- Anglicare PNG Inc.

## We give thanks for

- The clergy and lay people in ACPNG
- The relationship between the Diocese of Waiapu and the Church in Papua New Guinea
- The H & W Williams Memorial Trust, and their strategic funding for long term outcomes

## Collect

Holy God, holy and immortal, keep us under the protection of your good providence, and help us to continually revere and love your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**"Blessed is the person who trusts in the LORD, making the LORD his trust. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by a stream. He won't fear when the heat comes, and his leaves will be green. In a year of drought he won't be concerned, nor will he stop producing fruit." Jeremiah 17:7-8**

# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

Today we pray for education and educators in Papua New Guinea.

## We pray for

### 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
- The Principal of Newton Theological College, Bishop Jeffrey Driver and the Deputy Principal, Father Giles Motisi
- The registration and accreditation of Newton College qualifications
- The refurbishment of the Newton College health clinic
- For the continued connection of electricity throughout Newton College

### Kerina Evangelists' College:

- Kerina Evangelists' College is a centre for the training of catechists. Catechists are unpaid volunteers that serve as the backbone of the church in isolated and remote areas

- The Principal of Kerina Evangelists College, Father George Kasme

## We give thanks for

- Both collages and continued support for their students who mostly live at a subsistence level
- The H & W Williams Memorial Trust which continues to provide significant funding support for Newton and Kerina College

## Collect

God of call and vocation, you call the greatest and the least to follow you, open our ears to hear your call, empower us by the Holy Spirit to respond and willingly embrace the new and living way of discipleship.

**"Learn to practice what is good; seek justice, alleviate oppression, defend orphans in court, and plead the widow's case." Isaiah 1:17**

Rev. Ritolava of Vunilagi Village, Viti Levu, standing next to his new water tank funded by Anglican Missions (2019).

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# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: YOUTH + CHILDREN

Today we pray for the youth and children of our Province – Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

## We pray for

### Schools and institutions that:

- Are dedicated to giving young people a faith, hope and future, including The Anglican Schools Office in New Zealand and the Lotu Youth Mission Community in Fiji
- Provide good, relevant resources, energy and strong leaders who will equip, encourage and empower
- Chaplains at all Anglican Schools

### Young People, that:

- They would have life and a hope that will not fade away
- They would have freedom, healing and a joy that cannot be stolen
- They would find a parish and place to belong
- They would find their place and purpose in Jesus

- They would be aware of God's presence and safety in their daily lives

## We give thanks for

- Opportunities to meet to network and share resources
- For all who disciple young people to be Christ-centred across the Three-Tikanga Church
- Projects that work with and target young people

## Collect

God our creator, you entrust each of us with great treasure. Help us to be responsible stewards of the gifts and skills you have given us. May we honour the trust you have in us and use our talents as generously as you have given them.

**"A generous person will prosper, and anyone who gives water will receive a flood in return."** Proverbs 11:25

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# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: ANGLICAN MISSIONS + AWA (AOTEAROA)

Today we pray for the staff and Board of Anglican Missions. We give thanks for the ongoing support of parishes and rohe.

## We pray and give thanks for

### The Board of Anglican Missions:

- The Most Rev Philip Richardson (Chair)
- Mr Steve Perris (Acting Chair)
- Bishop Ngarahu Katene
- Rev Michael Hughes
- Ven Michael Tamihere
- Rev Sepiuta C.N.B. Hala'api'api
- Bishop Henry Bull
- Rev Craig Harris
- Rev Rosie Fyfe
- Rev Jacynthia Murphy (Consultant)

### The staff of Anglican Missions:

- Rev Michael Hartfield, National Director
- Mark Mitchell, Humanitarian and Development Manager
- Glen Williams, Finance Manager
- Kris Singh, Marketing and Communications Manager
- Karen Chute, Pacific Projects Manager

- Sarah Muller, Communications and Projects Officer
- Janet Tiffin, Finance Officer
- Olivia Hartfield, Projects Officer
- Siva Sunia, Projects Officer (Tonga)
- Taniela Koloamatangi, Projects Officer (Tonga)
- Sioppe Koloamatangi, Projects Officer (Tonga)
- Rowena Bonne, Office Administrator
- Our incredible interns and volunteers

## Collect

God of grace, your church is built on Peter's faith; grant that we like him, forgiven and restored, may overcome our weakness and serve you without wavering, now and forever.

**"Therefore, holy brothers, partners in a heavenly calling, keep your focus on Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession."** Hebrews 3:1



# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: VOLUNTEERS + SUPPORT

There are many people and organisations that make the work of Anglican Missions possible. Today we pray for and give thanks for these people.

## We pray and give thanks for

- The generous support from our parish and individual donors
- Everyone who encourages overseas mission in their parishes
- Our incredible volunteers
- The vision of Henry and William Williams, whose legacy continues to provide generously to our work in the Pacific
- The variety of parish and other promotional events which bring people together to raise funds for overseas missions
- The agencies we partner with for specific projects and activities

## Mission Support Groups:

- We thank God for the way Diocesan and Tikanga Mission

groups and individuals raise awareness of overseas mission

- Diocesan Overseas Mission Groups
- Overseas Mission - Tikanga Pākehā (OMTP) Council
- Tikanga Māori Mission Council (TMMC)

## Collect

Lord God our Father, our prayer is a small pebble thrown into a large expanse of need. We thank you that your love is greater still, and we entrust our prayers to your generous mercy and grace.

**"So then, encourage one another and build each other up, as you are doing."**  
1 Thessalonians 5:11



The work of Anglican Missions can only happen with your advocacy and support - thank you!

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## NZ + OUR PARTNERS: ANGLICAN FINANCIAL CARE

Today we pray for Anglican Financial Care (AFC) which has provided financial services for clergy and lay workers for almost 50 years.

### We pray and give thanks for

- Anglican Financial Care as it serves and supports its members throughout Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia
- Its management of the Christian KiwiSaver Scheme as it aligns Christian values with a strong ethical mandate
- Margaret Bearsley, Chief Executive of AFC and for wisdom as she leads the organisation
- The Members Services team who are the contact point for AFC's members.
- The Finance Team who are a crucial engine to AFC's day-to-day business and planning for the future
- The Investment Team – that they achieve investment outcomes that will serve clergy and all church workers
- IT systems and all the services they support. We pray for their continued reliability
- AFC's Compliance – that they can continue to protect the organisation from risks
- Marketing and Communications – that they can provide members with

information they need at exactly the right moment

- The extra work and effort given by staff in order to complete specific large projects at AFC
- The hardworking, friendly and genuinely caring team at AFC. We pray for protection for this team as they serve the Church

### Collect

Lord God, we thank you for the possessions, belongings and financial resources you have given us. We thank you for those who help us to take good care of what you have given us. We pray for those working in the financial sector – for those who manage investments and who trade in stocks and shares – we pray for the courage to act with integrity and truth. We pray for Christian brothers and sisters that they may have strength and courage to serve you and your purpose in their work.

**"Do not neglect to do good and to be generous, for God is pleased with such sacrifices."** Hebrews 13:16

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## NZ + OUR PARTNERS: WOMEN'S OUTREACH

Today we pray for the women in New Zealand and from our Church who provide continuing support for overseas mission.

### We pray and give thanks for

#### The Association of Anglican Women (AAW) for:

- Their support of special projects run by Anglican Missions
- NZAAW President Judith Mackenzie (until May), and then Cynthia Prince (May onwards)
- Overseas Outreach Convenor Raewyn Dawson
- Their ongoing prayer support of women and children who survive abuse and violence
- Their support of kindergartens and travelling costs
- Their generous giving towards the Tonga and Get One Give One Appeals
- The \$10,000 raised for Bishop Kempthorne Memorial School's new canteen in the suburbs of Suva, Fiji

#### The Mother's Union:

- Who have actively supported families and communities in need

since 1876. Anglican Missions' links with the Mothers' Union are in Polynesia, Melanesia, Papua New Guinea and Africa

- Who work tirelessly to support families, regardless of faith or background
- Who operate all over the world
- For Joan Neild, President of NZ Mother's Union

### 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 alone on his cross.

**"The LORD is my rock, my fortress, my deliverer, my God, my stronghold in whom I take refuge, my shield, the glory of my salvation, and my high tower."** Psalm 18:2

# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: NZCMS

**Today we pray for the New Zealand Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) and for those serving overseas as Mission Partners.**

NZCMS has been sending missionaries since 1892. With such a long history in the life of the Church in New Zealand, NZCMS is working hard to mobilise all of God's people to mission. Ka Tonoa, Te Katoa – Everyone Sent.

Anglican Missions and NZCMS have been working together for over a century to enable this gospel work, and Anglican Missions remains committed to funding a significant proportion of NZCMS's Mission Partner costs.

## We pray and give thanks for

### The Staff of NZCMS:

- Rev Rosie Fyfe (National Director)
- Mike & Ruth Robb (Personnel Managers)
- Paula Masterton (Office Administrator)
- Jairus Robb (Communications Officer)
- Yvonne Styles (Finance Manager)
- Guy & Summer Benton (Volunteer Mission Enablers)
- The NZCMS Board

### Mission Partners:

- Scott and Nikki Wheeler with Isaac, Abby and Levi (Papua New Guinea)

- Te Hauoterangi (Howard) Karaka (Te Puaha O Waikato – Port Waikato)
- Keri-Ann Hokianga (Manukau, Auckland)
- Neill and Rebekah Dunbar with Jonathan, Aaron and Emily (Cambodia)
- Adrienne Worth (Cambodia)
- Luke and Naomi Sinclair (Japan)
- Andy and Shona Miller with Aliana, Jeshiah and Elías (Costa Rica)
- Nick and Tessa Laing (Uganda)
- Mission Partners in countries hostile to the Gospel. While we can't publish their names, they are known by God, and we trust in His loving care and protection over their lives

## Collect

Holy and ever living God, by your power we are created, and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit that we may give ourselves to your service and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**"Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you" John 20:21**



Mother's Union members from the Diocese of Vanuatu and New Caledonia.



# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: LOCAL MISSION

Today we pray for mission in Aotearoa New Zealand and for those who lead the Anglican Church in our Province.

## We pray for

*The bishops, clergy and people of our Dioceses' and Hui Amorangi: Te Tai Tokerau, Te Manawa o te Wheke, Te Upoko o Te Ika, Te Waipounamu, Te Tairāwhiti, Auckland, Waipapu, Waikato and Taranaki, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin and the Diocese of Polynesia.*

- The three Archbishops of Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia – the Most Rev Don Tamihere (Tikanga Māori and Bishop of Te Tairāwhiti), the Most Rev Philip Richardson (Tikanga Pākehā and Bishop of Waikato and Taranaki) and The Most Rev Sione Ululakepa (Polynesia)
- The Rt Rev Te Kitohi Pikaahu
- The Rt Rev Ngarahu Katene
- The Rt Rev Waitohiariki Quayle
- The Rt Rev Richard Wallace
- The Rt Rev Ross Bay
- The Rt Rev Andrew Hedge
- The Rt Rev Justin Duckworth
- The Rt Rev Stephen Maina Mwangi
- The Rt Rev Dr. Peter Carrell
- The Rt Rev Dr. Steven Benford
- The Rt Rev Gabriel Sharma

- The Rt Rev Henry Bull
- Rev Canon Michael Hughes, General Secretary

## We give thanks for

- All staff, clergy and rohe who work across the Province
- Defence Force, tertiary, school, hospital and workplace chaplains
- The work of the Church Army, New Zealand and its National Director, Capt. Monika Clark

## Collect

Lord, give to your church a profound concern for the well-being of the world you made. Guide our church leaders into judgements that are just and compassionate. Give them words which are wise and incisive. They must speak for the church about so many different issues. May they have time to ponder, experts to give good advice, and the insight which comes from you alone.

**“But those who keep waiting for the LORD will renew their strength. Then they'll soar on wings like eagles; they'll run and not grow weary; they'll walk and not grow tired.”** Isaiah 40:31

# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: MISSION AGENCIES

Today we pray for mission agencies around the world and give thanks for the amazing work they do.

## We pray and give thanks for

- The leadership of Pastor Henry Yap and Rev. Jimmy Luey
- Anglican Alliance, London and the leadership of Executive Director, Rev Canon Rachel Carnegie and her staff
- For the Oceania Regional Advisory Committee (ORAC) and its secretary, Father Peter Moi

## Missions Interlink, which:

- Represents more than 100 organisations and churches engaged in mission, led by Executive Officer, Jay Matenga and his Board

## The Bible Society, and:

- The publication of The Māori/English Bilingual Bible which helps Māori speakers, Biblical scholars and those learning Te Reo

- The publication of the first Tokelauan full Bible launch in 2023/24
- For the funding to refurbish an acquired building in Wiri, where the Bible Society can consolidate its operations

## Collect

God of grace, you are kind to all people, good beyond our understanding. Help us to be grateful for what we have been given and merciful and generous with our sisters and brothers.

**“Pray also for me, so that, when I begin to speak, the right words will come to me. Then I will boldly make known the secret of the gospel, for whose sake I am an ambassador in chains, desiring to declare the gospel as boldly as I should.”** Ephesians 19:20

# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: ANGLICAN INDIGENOUS NETWORK (AIN)

Today we pray for the AIN and its work in development, training and resource sharing of its international members.

AIN represents American Indians, Indigenous Alaskans, Canadians, Hawaiians, Māori, Australian Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders. Compelled by the Gospel's power of reconciliation and restoration, they support one another within their common challenge as minority peoples. They are committed to the Anglican tradition while affirming their own traditional spirituality.

## We pray and give thanks for

- The collaborative work of the AIN steering group members from Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia & Torres Strait Island, Canada, Hawaii & USA
- The Bishops involved in AIN
- The success of the AIN delegation attending ACCI8 in Ghana (February) and for long term outcomes

- The process of The Anglican Indigenous Church in Canada in electing a new Indigenous Primate
- The upcoming AIN gathering in Australia in 2023, may it be fruitful
- The continued hard work of Pihopa Te Kitohi Pikaahu, AIN Chair

## Collect

Lord, we know that it is so much easier to relate our faith to our interior life, and our home and church life. But your vision is so much bigger. What use is a cosy church if society around us is in despair? Open our minds and hearts to confront the darkness with justice, and embrace brokenness with love.

**"I'm giving you a new commandment to love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."** John 13:34



AIN Reverend Jacynthia Murphy blesses Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby – Lambeth Conference 2022.

# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: MISSION TO SEAFARERS, MIGRANTS + REFUGEES

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

## We pray and give thanks for

### Mission to Seafarers (MTS), and:

- Their support and care for the 1.6 million people who crew the world's merchant fleet of ships, providing emergency assistance, advocacy and practical welfare support
- Their ministry to those in an often dangerous and lonely occupation, where isolation and exploitation are often unseen by those who rely on their work
- Mission chaplains and ship visitors, who are the hands and the feet of Jesus in the ports and ships that they visit
- The crews still facing isolation because of the impacts of COVID
- Crews from Ukraine and Russia, particularly when they work on the same ships
- The MTS teams in New Zealand, Fiji, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands and Tahiti

- The Rev. Lance Lukin, Regional Director of MTS based in Wellington

### Mission to Migrants & Refugees

- The New Zealand churches that minister to refugees settling in NZ
- The coordinators and volunteers of the refugee settlement programme
- For refugees as they settle into life in New Zealand and for more houses to become available
- The Rev Daniel Pillay who ministers to Fijian, Indian, Tongan and Samoan congregations in NZ

### Collect

God of the living word, give us the faith to receive your message, the wisdom to know what it means, and the courage to put it into practice.

**"A wise man is strong, and a knowledgeable man grows in strength."** Proverbs 24:5

# NZ + OUR PARTNERS: AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH

Today we pray for our partners in Australia. We pray for the work of the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) and of Anglican Overseas Aid (AOA). Especially we pray for the work among Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and for continued reconciliation and justice.

## We pray for

- The Most Rev Geoffrey Smith – Primate of Australia
- Anne Hywood – General Secretary of the General Synod, and the General Synod office staff
- The 23 diocesan bishops and the Rt Rev Chris McLeod, National Aboriginal Bishop
- The priests, deacons and laity of each parish throughout Australia
- The Anglican Board of Mission, the Rev Dr John Deane (Executive Director) and their staff
- Anglican Overseas Aid, Jo Knight (CEO) and their staff

- Wontulp-Bi-Buya College in Cairns where students can learn about theology, ministry, addictions management and community development, as well as indigenous mental health
- The relationship between Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and the Dioceses of Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney

### Collect

God our treasure, the reign of your love and justice is your gift. Light our lamps against the darkness, and equip us for your action, so we are ready and do not miss your coming.

## We give thanks for

- The ongoing work of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council, the Rev Canon Glenn Loughry (Chair) and for all its members
- Nungalinga College in Darwin and its training programs that explore Christian faith

**"At that time I will gather you; at that time I will bring you home. Indeed, I will give you a good reputation, making you praiseworthy among all of the people of the world, when I restore your prosperity before your eyes,"" says the LORD."** Zephaniah 3:20



# CLIMATE CHANGE

Today we pray for those who are affected by climate change, for those who need to migrate, rebuild or change their way of life in the face of nature.

## We pray for

- Those in our clergy who are struggling to adapt to the effects of climate change, whose battle to preserve their lands and their livelihoods
- The continued work towards creating mechanisms for climate loss and damage finance, which will promote recovery in vulnerable areas
- The Water for All project, which aims to provide water tanks as traditional water sources become less reliable in Viti Levu
- Capacity building projects that improve local responses to natural disasters, allowing for quick recoveries and preparation for extreme weather events

## We give thanks for

- The Most Rev Samy Fawzi Shehata, Primate of the Anglican province of Alexandria and Bishop of Egypt,

who led the official Anglican Communion's COP27 delegation and who spoke of promoting aid to the Global South to mitigate climate change

- Improved gender focuses in climate action projects, allowing for girls and women to be climate action leaders instead of victims, and clear processes to improve their role in adaptation to climate change

## Collect

Dear God, we thank you for the work of churches and agencies which respond to crises, for the hospitality of neighbours, the generosity of strangers, for those who give of themselves to help others who refuse to be silent in the face of injustice. Lord, bless your people.

**"We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing."** 2 Corinthians 4:8



Graduates of a community gardening workshop with aims to create sustainable and climate resistant crops – Fiji 2022.

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# PROVINCE OF JERUSALEM + THE MIDDLE EAST

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

## We pray for

- The Most Rev'd Michael Lewis – President Bishop of the Province until May 2023, and Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf until his retirement later this year
- The Most Rev'd Hosam Naoum – Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem, and President Bishop of the Province from May
- The clergy and people of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East
- Sawson Aranki-Batato, Programmes Development Officer who manages Anglican Missions projects that we support
- Alex Amaziya as he approaches ordination and continues to lead the congregation at All Saints in Damascus
- The continued growth of mission and ministry in Iraq and the Rev'd Faiz Jerjes who leads the congregation at St. Paul's, Baghdad

## We give thanks for

- Saviour's School, an Anglican school in Zarqa, Jordan that serves more than 258 students

- The school is one of the only options in the city with specialised programmes for low-vision and blind students
- Their facilities are in desperate need of upgrade. This Lent, we're fundraising for electric heating and cooling units to make their classrooms a better, safer place to learn



We're proud to support **Saviour's School** this Lenten season. **Scan to learn more**

## Collect

Servant God, grant us opportunity and give us willingness to serve you day by day; that what we do and how we bear each other's burdens may be our sacrifice to you.

**Do not neglect to do good and to be generous, for God is pleased with such sacrifices."** Hebrews 13:16

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# THE CHURCH OF ASIA

Today we pray for the Provinces of South East Asia and South Asia, our Mission Partners in Central and South Asia, and the Christian community in Pakistan.

## We pray for

- The Most Rev. Melter Jiki Tais – Archbishop of the Province of the Anglican Church in South East Asia
- The Dioceses of West Malaysia, Singapore, Kuching and Sabah, and their clergy and people which are experiencing massive growth
- The Missionary deaneries in Nepal, Indonesia, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam and Laos, and their work and witness
- Our NZCMS Mission Partners in Cambodia & Japan, including Neill, Rebekah, Adrienne, Luke and Naomi
- Church members in the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Myanmar, and the vulnerable minorities, who shall be given justice and protection

## We give thanks for

- The Christian presence in these countries and for Christians who live their faith often in the face of persecution
- Safety and protection of Christians in this region

## Collect

We pray that the lines of communication between people and nations may be kept open, respected and honoured, and that where communication has broken down there may be a new desire for healing.

**"If one part suffers, every part suffers with it. If one part is praised, every part rejoices with it."** 1 Corinthians 12:26

# THE CHURCH OF AFRICA

Today we pray for the clergy, churches and partner organisations of Central and Southern Africa.

## We pray for

- The Most Rev Dr. Thabo Makgoba – Archbishop of Southern Africa
- Father Michael Lapsley SSM, founding member and Director of The Institute for Healing of Memories and the critical work of this Institute
- For all Mission Partners in this region, including Johann and Louise Vanderbijl who are with the Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders
- The Most Rev Maimbo William Fabian Mndolwa – Archbishop of Tanzania
- All clergy, especially new Bishops, that God would provide for both their spiritual and financial needs
- For relief from the effects of COVID-19 and hunger
- For Anglican Alliance staff working in the region
- The Most Rev Albert Chama – Archbishop of Central Africa and Bishop of Northern Zambia; and for the bishops, clergy and staff of the 15 dioceses
- NZCMS Mission Partners Nick and Tessa, community and health ministry in Northern Uganda
- The Most Rev Stephen Kaziimba – Archbishop of Uganda & Bishop of

Kampala and the bishops and clergy of the 37 dioceses

## We give thanks for

- The continued growth of the Anglican Church of Tanzania through the work of local evangelists and clergy and for its relationship with the Church in New Zealand
- Anglican Missions project support to put roofs on churches in Tanzania
- 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

Father, the needs and concerns of all who suffer are our concerns, through love. May we strive to address the imprisoning poverty and hunger of much of the world, and involve ourselves in the comfort, help and healing we ask of you.

**“His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through the full knowledge of the one who called us by his own glory and excellence.” 2 Peter 1:3**



Women with firewood, Diocese of Niassa, Mozambique.



# THE CHURCH OF AFRICA MOZAMBIQUE

Today we pray for the church of Mozambique, which is made up of 8 Dioceses representing both Evangelical and Anglo-Catholic traditions.

## We pray for

- The election of the First Archbishop of the Province
- Support to establish the newly inaugurated Dioceses
- Food relief for those displaced by a cyclone in 2022
- Food relief for those displaced by terrorism in Cabo Delgado
- Terrorism in Cabo Delgado to cease

## We give thanks for

- The establishment of the Province despite huge needs
- The continued growth of the church in Mozambique
- The church being a propagator of peace amid terrorism in Cabo Delgado
- For the consecration and enthronement of new Bishops for the new five Dioceses

- The collaboration between the Wellington Diocese and Anglican World Aid to support the Diocese of Zambezia

## Collect

Almighty and merciful God, in your goodness keep us, we pray, from all things that may hurt us, that, being ready both in mind and body, we may accomplish with a free heart those things which belong to your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**"He comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble the same comfort God has given us."**

2 Corinthians 1:4

# THE CHURCH OF AFRICA RWENZORI SPECIAL NEEDS FOUNDATION (RSNF)

Today we pray for the Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation, which provides incredible care to vulnerable children with special needs.

## We pray for

- Partnerships with other organisations throughout our world to continue to grow
- Food provision for the children so that they can thrive
- Provision of vitamins to pregnant mothers to ensure healthy and safe pregnancies
- The beautiful children of the Rwenzori Special Needs Foundation
- Dot Muir, the inspiration behind RSNF and for the ongoing collaboration between Anglican World Aid and this significant project

## We give thanks for

- RSNF Director Daniel Baguma and his inspired leadership of the foundation
- The trusts and partnerships have been set up between Uganda and New Zealand which have provided

surgeries, rehabilitation and opportunities for ongoing support

- The many generous people in New Zealand who continually give to support the Foundation

## Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**"He will be like a tree planted by streams of water, yielding its fruit in its season, and whose leaf does not wither. He will prosper in everything he does."** Psalm 1:3

# THE CHURCH OF AFRICA

## BRICKS FOR LIFE

**Today we pray for Bricks For Life and give thanks for the remarkable transformation of a Northern Ethiopian village because of this project.**

Bricks for Life was established by Ric Foxley alongside Amlaku Yaregal. Ric and his friends funded Amlaku's tertiary studies in Plant Science, so that he could return to his village in Baregota, Northern Ethiopia to improve the lives of its nearly 500 inhabitants. Since then, Bricks for Life has gone on to provide several significant foundational services for the people and its community.

We're proud to support Bricks for Life this Lenten season and into the future.

### We pray for

- Open minds and hearts to the new farming techniques Amlaku will bring to the villagers
- A good growing season weather-wise
- The ongoing work developing essential canals which bring water to village fields.
- Strength and wisdom for Amlaku in the many projects he is involved with

### We give thanks for

- Amlaku's faith, vision, integrity, commitment, and energy in working to achieve his dream for his people

- The transformation of the lives of the people of Baregota Village over the past 13 years
- The continued expansion of the work through a new association with Anglican World Aid

### Collect

Almighty God our heavenly Father, you declare your glory and show forth your handiwork in the heavens and in the earth. Deliver us from the service of self, that we may do the work you give us to do in truth and beauty and for the common good; for the sake of him who came among us as one who serves, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**"After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you by the Messiah Jesus to his eternal glory, will restore you, establish you, strengthen you, and support you."**

1 Peter 5:10



Grain is milled and processed, Baregota, Northern Ethiopia.



We're proud to support **Bricks for Life** this Lenten season. **Scan to learn more.**

# PARTNERS IN AOTEAROA

Today we pray for the agencies and organisations that Anglican Missions works in collaboration with for the various projects, appeals and campaigns throughout the year.

## We pray for

- The Council for International Development (CID) which is the umbrella agency for international development and humanitarian aid agencies in New Zealand. CID provides invaluable support and guidance to Anglican Missions. We pray for its continued work and support and for Steph Fry, of Tearfund, who is a member of its Code of Compliance Committee
- Tearfund, which has partnered with Anglican Missions on our recent work in the Pacific
- Christian Blind Mission (CBM) which provides advice to Anglican Missions on how to incorporate the needs of people with disabilities into projects

- Growing collaboration with Christian World Service (CWS) and its development and humanitarian work
- We pray for all other partners who support Anglican Missions as we put the love of God into action

## Collect

Holy and ever living God, by your power we are created, and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**"So then, encourage one another and build each other up, as you are doing."**

1 Thessalonians 5:11

# THE FIVE MARKS OF MISSION

**The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission.**

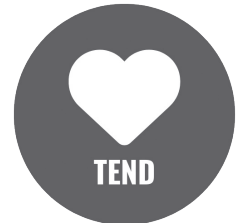
They express the worldwide Anglican Church's common commitments to, and understanding of, God's holistic and integral mission. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

Today, we celebrate and give thanks for the Five Marks, which guide and provide a basis for everything we do at Anglican Missions and Anglican World Aid.

## Collect

God our Guide and helper we give thanks to you for the our networks that work like rivers, ever moving through our countries and communities, bringing in people and letting others out but always moving into and towards those whose needs are greatest.

**"The LORD will send blessings for you with regard to your barns and everything you undertake. Indeed, he will bless you in the land that the LORD your God is about to give you."** Deuteronomy 28:8





# THY KINGDOM COME

**Join the global wave of prayer calling all Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost (18th May – 28th May) for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ.**

This invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and endorsed by Christian leaders across the world has spread to 185 countries. We follow the earliest Christians, as Luke records in Acts 1:14, who joined together in prayer in the run up to the day of Pentecost.

“Thy Kingdom Come” happens every year because we constantly rely on a fresh empowering of the Holy Spirit. The urgency, vitality, and necessity of Christians across the world joining together praying, “Come, Holy Spirit” is essential. This is not primarily for our own renewal – but that we may live the calling of Christ to be His witnesses. I commend the resources the TKC team have produced for this year and pray they would enable our prayers, which we pray in the certainty that the Father always gives the Spirit to those who ask.’

**Justin Welby**  
Archbishop of Canterbury



Scan to learn  
more about  
Thy Kingdom  
Come

## We pray for

- The wisdom of the Holy Spirit to guide our clergy and people in sharing the Good News of Jesus
- The love of the Father to inspire our care for the communities in which we live so that they experience God’s heart for them
- The character of Christ to be seen in all our relationships with one another and with the wider world, in our care for people and planet
- The Rev Bob Key and his responsibility for this initiative

## Collect

Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your Word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**“ They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers” Acts 1:14**



Prepositioned supply container in place, Tonga.



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