



**December 2017-
February 2018**

Prayer Bulletin

From the Principal

The end of a year is a good time to take stock and to plan for the next stage in our lives as disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ. As a College, we look back on this year with immense thankfulness for all that God has done. He has answered our prayers abundantly!

The wonderful grace of God is the bedrock of our confidence in prayer. God's generosity towards each of us is an expression of his eternal, generous character. We can come to him in prayer, with the issues that concern us individually and corporately because he is who he is — our loving, generous heavenly Father who knows our needs and is more than able to meet them.

Our world is rapidly changing and the need for gospel workers to take the knowledge of God and the salvation he has provided in Jesus Christ to the nations is greater than ever. God knows that need. He is at work in the lives of those he is gifting and preparing to play a leading role in the mission of Christ in the future. However, he has kindly chosen to involve us in his plans and so to raise up gospel workers in response to our prayers. 'Pray', Jesus encouraged his disciples, 'Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest' (Matt. 9:38).

As we pray that this urgent need of our world will be met, and that Moore College might play a part in preparing those the Lord is calling to this task, we can be confident that our prayers will be heard. God's own character as generous and loving and compassionate towards the lost is our guarantee. The answers to prayer we have seen this year are a further encouragement.

We are grateful for your prayers. We are committed to praying alongside you that the Lord will provide us with the Christian leaders we will need for a very different world in the decades to come and that our College might play a part in the answer to that prayer. As we remember the first coming of our Lord and await the second, let us not give up praying, so that God's will might be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Mark Thompson

PRAYING FOR OUR EXITING STUDENTS

Accompanying this Prayer Bulletin is a separate Exiting Students Prayer Booklet. The booklet contains specific prayer points for each student as well as some general prayer points for all students inside the front cover. We have divided the students over the weeks of December to February. The number in brackets after the person's name refers to the page number on which they appear in the booklet. We hope you find this helpful.

DECEMBER 2017

Focus for December

- o Exiting students for 2017
 - o Registrar's Department finalising results
 - o Christmas services and events
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Week 1: Friday, 1 December – Sunday, 10 December

- o Give thanks for the many godly and gifted **students** at College and pray that what they have learned will enable them to know God more fully and make him known to others. Pray that many more people might be drawn to make use of the College's courses to grow as disciples and prepare for a lifetime of serving him.
 - o Pray for God to be at work through his Spirit as students and Faculty are involved in **outreach and training events** over the summer break, including beach missions, camps and conferences. Pray that people will serve faithfully and that God's word would be clearly proclaimed.
 - o Kathryn Allan p3, Melody Barratt p3, Letitia Cheng p3, Shan-Shan Chrisp p3, Jayne Dedrick p3, Peter Denham p3, Sarah Johnston p3
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Week 2: Monday, 11 December – Sunday, 17 December

- o Give thanks for the hard work of the **Registrar's Department** and pray for them to be strengthened in patience as they undertake the demanding tasks of finalising end of year results and preparing for incoming students in 2018.
- o Pray for the **Priscilla & Aquila Centre Annual Conference** taking place on 5 February 2018, on 'Servants of God: the role of women in Luke'. Please pray for the speakers, including our main speaker Pete Tong, as they prepare their talks and seminars. We still have spaces available so please pray more people will register for this day conference (<http://www.moore.edu.au/paa/news-events>), that all who come will find it a helpful day, and that the fruit will show in their various ministries.
- o **Philip & Amy Kern (Faculty, p58)** Give thanks for the refreshment of the summer break, and time with friends and family. Please pray for us as Eliot prepares for the HSC, that we would all be wise and patient in our interactions. Pray too that the Lord would refresh us to serve him at College, church, Scripture classes, and other ministries.
- o Jae Yong Kwon p3, Stephanie Llewellyn p4, Joy Woolmer p4, Paul Page p4, Courtney Russell p4, Melinda Seed p4

Week 3: Monday, 18 December – Sunday, 24 December

- Pray particularly for those involved in **Christmas services** and evangelistic events. Pray that the true meaning of Christmas might be boldly proclaimed to all and that we might rejoice in God's amazing goodness to us in sending Jesus into the world for our redemption.
- Pray for grace for students as they receive their **exam results** before Christmas. Pray that they will be encouraged by their results and motivated to keep learning. Pray especially for those who will need to sit supplementary exams in January.
- Give thanks for the appointment of Trevor Cairney as the **Head of Foundation** and pray that God will lead and direct Trevor as he undertakes this important role.
- Pray that students will have a **refreshing break** before returning to study.
- Fiona Tsang p4, Huawei Wang p4, Serena Cheung p4, Hannah Pountain p5, Hugh Ronald p5, Nathan Tuckwell p5, Hannah Blake p5

Week 4: Monday, 25 December – Sunday, 31 December

- Give thanks for all that the **exiting students** have learned during their time at College and pray that they will be faithful to the word of God, confident in the gospel, and humble and generous servants of God's people. Pray that he will enable them to proclaim Christ clearly, live for Christ consistently and love Christ's people genuinely. Pray especially for those who are still not sure where they will be serving next year.
- Please pray that the **Information Technology staff** would be able to keep the College systems working well over the summer period.
- Please pray for those involved with the **financial administration** of the College as the year end brings added pressures and tasks to be performed. Pray for patience and the ability to allocate tasks using time wisely.
- Christine Bransdon p5, Joanna Clark p5, Leah Goring p6, Peter Hynes p6, John Khanana p6

JANUARY 2018

Focus for January

- o **New students for 2018**
 - o **Property Maintenance Department**
 - o **Students moving into College**
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Week 1: Monday, 1 January – Sunday, 7 January

- o Please pray for perseverance in study over the summer break for students who need to sit **supplementary exams** in January. Pray that they will find a good balance between rest and effective preparation for another year of study.
 - o Ask God for smooth transitions for **students moving into College accommodation**. Pray for them as they settle into new neighbourhoods. Give thanks for the College communities and pray that they will welcome the newcomers.
 - o Pray that **incoming students** would look forward to their time at College and be eager to study God's word. Pray that those preparing to leave jobs might make the most of the opportunity to share with their colleagues why they are leaving. Pray that students will adjust quickly to the College program and community. Pray particularly for the adjustments necessary for those coming from interstate and overseas.
 - o Brianna Pattison p6, Shuvah Pun p6, Anna-Lisse Reid p6, Kathryn Russell p6, John Shin p6, David Simmons p6
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Week 2: Monday, 8 January – Sunday, 14 January

- o Please pray for the **Governing Board** members. Thank God for the time commitment each member makes to the various meetings of the Board and its committees. Thank God for the knowledge and skills that members bring to the deliberations on many issues affecting the life of the College. Thank God that each member is committed to seeing God glorified through his College.
- o **Jane Tooher (Faculty, p59)** Give thanks to God for a good year with the new women's diploma having started and the great group of women students who have completed it. Please pray for me as I work on improving the 3 subjects over the summer time. Give thanks for the opportunity to have some refreshment over summer, and please pray that I will be Christ-like when I spend time with my family.
- o Naomi Sinclair p7, Georgina Tasker p7, Edwin Thambyaiyah p7, Steven Thurgar p7, Mary Tsang p7, Edwina Whiteside p7, Nicholas Wood p7

Week 3: Monday, 15 January – Sunday, 21 January

- **Supplementary exams commence (15-19 January).** Please pray for clarity of thought and for God's sustaining for those sitting supplementary exams.
 - Pray that our **exiting students** might be consistent in giving a priority to prayer and that prayer would be their instinctual reaction to the situations they face.
 - Give thanks for the hard work and faithfulness of **Faculty** members and pray that they will be refreshed over the summer and be able to spend quality time with their families. Pray for their research and preparation over the summer break.
 - **George & Koula Athas (Faculty, p58)** Give thanks for a productive study leave. Pray for wisdom for us as a family as we make some important decisions.
 - Harrison Xu p7, Dan Allan p8, Alex Backler p8, Tim Baron p8, Thomas Barrett p8
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Week 4: Monday, 22 January – Sunday, 28 January

- Pray that the decisions of our **exiting students** (in ministry and in life more generally) might be consciously and consistently shaped by the theology they have learned from the Scriptures. Pray that they might listen well and serve effectively and that their lives might adorn the gospel.
 - Pray for Neil Ferguson and the **Property Maintenance Department** over the break. They will be working on several projects as well as the normal maintenance. Pray for energy and enthusiasm for the tasks ahead and that all will run according to plan.
 - Dave Binggeli p8, Karl Bonner p8, Murray Border p8, Amy Brown p9, Vincent Chan p9, Michael Chin p9
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Week 5: Monday, 29 January – Wednesday, 31 January

- **PTC Evening Course commences (30 January).** Pray that students are stimulated and stretched in their thinking and for Pete Tong as he prepares to teach on Acts.
- Thank God for the **generous financial support** he has provided for the work of the College through the gifts of donors and the decisions of the Synod.
- Sam Chrisp p9, Ross Collins p9, Benjamin Connelly p9, Tristan Dallas p9, Mark Delbridge p9, Jared Dunn p10

FEBRUARY 2018

Focus for February

- Priscilla & Aquila Centre Conference (5 February)
 - Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students (6-16 February)
 - Ordination (17 February)
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Week 1: Thursday, 1 February – Sunday, 4 February

- **Big Day In: Orientation & Welcome Day (3 February).** Please pray that this day will be a useful time for all incoming students and will provide good opportunities to get to know other students and their families.
 - Pray for the **Faculty on study leave** this semester: **Ed Loane, Will Timmins, Andrew Shead and David Höhne.** Pray that as they have time away from their usual teaching loads, they would study with wisdom and diligence, and pray that their research is of great benefit for others in the work of the gospel.
 - Ben George p10, Michelle Gerungan p10, Richard Glover p10, Michael Grivas-Allison p10, Fiona Henderson p10, Keith Hill p10
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Week 2: Monday, 5 February – Sunday, 11 February

- **The Priscilla & Aquila Centre conference (5 February).** Pray that all will go smoothly with final preparations and that the conference will be helpful for those attending. Pray particularly for Jane Tooher, the Director of the Priscilla & Aquila Centre, and Lissa Allen, the Centre's Support Administrator, in their organization of the conference.
- **Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students (6-16 February).** Give thanks for the start of the College year for new students. Pray that they will have energy to cope with these first few weeks of intensive Greek study in particular. Pray for Pete Tong and Lionel Windsor who are teaching this course. Pray too that the final stages of registration for these students will go smoothly.
- Pray that, as our students study the word of God and seek to proclaim it to others, they will allow it to have its impact on their own lives. Ask God that they will continue to grow in their knowledge and love of God and that they will live lives of godliness.
- Sarah Hume p11, Edward Hungerford p11, Talar Khatchoyan p11, Brad Konemann p11, Ben Lattimore p11, Natasha Leong p11, Joshua Lewis p11

Week 3: Monday, 12 February – Sunday, 18 February

- Pray that the **New Testament Summer Intensives for Year 2 (13 February) and Year 3 (14 February)** will be a good time of learning.
- **Summer Hebrew Intensive for Year 2 (15-16 February)**. Pray that students will learn much from this course and that they will have greater insight into the Scriptures as a result.
- **Diocese of Sydney Ordination Service (17 February)**. Pray for the graduates of the College being ordained to serve the churches in Sydney. Pray for faithfulness, humility and courage.
- Pray for **Warren Darwall and the kitchen staff** as they begin to serve daily meals to the student body. Give thanks for their commitment to the welfare of the students and Faculty and pray for energy and stamina for them.
- Lauren Mahaffey p11, Cameron Maxwell p12, Jeremy Morris p12, Candy Pang p12, Tom Pountain p12, Martin Robinson p12, Tim Rowe p12, Paul Seville p12

Week 4: Monday, 19 February – Sunday, 25 February

- **Semester 1 Term 1 commences (19 February)**. Give thanks for the start of lectures for the College year and for the opportunity for the College to join together for a Community BBQ after the Lord's Supper service to mark the start of the year.
- Pray that the **Year Suppers (22 February) for the women of College** will be a really encouraging night of meeting new friends, sharing with one another and considering how to make the most of College opportunities over the year ahead.
- Jimmy Shepherd p12, Luke Shooter p13, Luke Sinclair p13, Edward Stocks p13, Samuel Terry p13, Jonathan Ward p13, Scott Westwood p13

Week 5: Monday, 26 February – Wednesday, 28 February

- Pray for the **Faculty and staff** of the College. Give thanks for the way they serve the students and the entire College community. Pray that they might work well together and that they might really enjoy the fellowship of the College community.
- Give thanks for the work of **Moore Distance**. Pray for the team in the midst of the demands and pressures of serving thousands of students around the world. Pray for the students, that they would grow in their knowledge and love of God and his word.
- Glenn Wilmington p13, Greg Wong p13, Mark Woodhouse p13, Jonathan Wu p14



Annual Conference

Monday 5 February 2018
9am-5pm

Main Speaker: Pete Tong
on
Servants of God:
The role of women in Luke's story of Jesus

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