



**December 2018-
February 2019**

Prayer Bulletin

From the Principal ...

2018 has been a year in which we have been wonderfully provided for by our gracious Heavenly Father.

Our final year students have been terrific and we have much for which to thank God in the way he continues to use the College to shape and prepare labourers for his harvest.

Our confidence, as always, is in God. His unchangeable purpose, to save men and women from sin and its consequences and to gather them around his throne in 'a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells' (2 Pet 3:13), is being realised around us. Despite intense opposition from the evil one and those who have believed his lies, God will triumph. The day is coming when all will see Jesus as he truly is and his people as they truly are (1 Jn 3:2).

So we continue to pray that God might use us, all who pray in partnership with all who serve at the College, to hasten that day. Thank you for your prayers.

May this Christmas be a time when you have many opportunities to thank God for his goodness and the hope of that day to come.

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 at the front. 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 2018

Focus for December

- o **Exiting students for 2018**
 - o **Registrar's Department finalising results**
 - o **Christmas services and events**
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Week 1: Saturday, 1 December – Sunday, 9 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 Pray for the men and women in Federal Parliament as they debate changes to the law that could impact on **religious freedom**. Pray that people will be wise and measured in the way they speak and will clearly see the consequences of changes being proposed. Pray that lies and half-truth may be exposed and the truth be told in the debates and in the press. Pray that freedom of speech and freedom to act in accord with our faith might be secured. Pray for great wisdom for those seeking to protect the College from changes that might adversely impact our mission.
 - o Essi Huhtinen p2, Serena Lui p2, Lauren Scoular p2, Ellen Tyler p2, Olivia Vanderhout p2, Rebekah Webb p2, Robert Wright p2
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Week 2: Monday, 10 December – Sunday, 16 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 2019.
- o Pray for the **Priscilla & Aquila Centre Annual Conference** taking place on 4 February 2019, on 'The Complementarian Jigsaw: Gender, ministry and the local church'. Please pray for the speakers, including our main speaker Graham Beynon, 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 **George and Koula Athas (Faculty, p52)** Give thanks for a steady year for our family. Pray for energy in the midst of many end-of-year obligations. Pray for a good time of rest over the summer break.
- o Ada Yap p3, Zac Anderson p3, Helen Nguyen p3, Amy Abraham p4

Week 3: Monday, 17 December – Sunday, 23 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.
- **Philip and Amy Kern (Faculty, p53)** Praise God for the month at the end of the academic year when we can catch up on neglected responsibilities, and then enjoy family time around the holidays. We hope to have all our children together for a few days in the new year. Please pray for Amy and Alexandra as they travel in January to the Uganda-based Amazima Ministries. They will be visiting a niece and a close friend who teach there. Philip would value your prayer as he engages in research in the first half of 2019 with a view to completing an article and beginning work on a new project during his study leave.
- Rebecca Antaw p4, David Anthonisz p4, Lyndon Frost p4, Daniel Gale p4, Richard Holman p4, Jen Lum p4

Week 4: Monday, 24 December – Sunday, 30 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 God 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.
- **Jane Tooher (Faculty, p54)** Thank God for the provision of study leave during part of 2018. Please pray (i) that I will complete writing projects over the summer and (ii) that I will show Christ-like love and care to my elderly parents.
- 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.
- 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.
- Pray that students will have a **refreshing break** before returning to study.
- Tom Ong p5, Alan Reader p5, Mathea Yeung p5, Yvonne Zheng p5, Brian Barker p6, Chris Gray p8

JANUARY 2019

Focus for January

- **New students for 2019**
 - **Property Maintenance Department**
 - **Students moving into College**
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Week 1: Monday, 31 December – Sunday, 6 January

- 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.
 - **Mark and Tanya Earngey (Faculty, p52)** Praise God for his wonderful care as we have settled back into Australia, and pray that we would rest well over summer after such a big family move. Please also pray that Mark would prepare well for teaching his various subjects in 2019.
 - 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.
 - Jocelyn Bignill p6, Hayley Boag p6, Matthew Borg p6, Miriam Bradshaw p6, Sam Broadfoot p6, Robert Brown p6
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Week 2: Monday, 7 January – Sunday, 13 January

- **Simon and Margie Gillham (Faculty, p52)** Give thanks with us for the College's generous provision of Simon's recent study leave and for all that he has learned in that time. Pray that God would enable him to finish writing and then to use what he has learned for the extension of the kingdom.
- 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.
- Please pray that the **Information Technology staff** would be able to keep the College systems working well over the summer period.
- Rachel Burgess p7, Carol Chan p7, Andrew Court p7, Kat Cowell p7, Benjamin Danson p7, Chris Townsend p11, Erin Townsend p1

Week 3: Monday, 14 January – Sunday, 20 January

- 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 them in their research and preparation over the summer break.
- 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.
- **Ed and Joc Loane (Faculty, p53)** Thank God for a productive and enjoyable 2018 with lots of opportunities for each of us to grow in our faith and serve him. Pray for a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. Also, pray for Ed as he prepares a number of new courses for 2019.
- Jack Day p7, Victor George p7, Jack Hamer p8, Kate Hamer p8

Week 4: Monday, 21 January – Sunday, 27 January

- **Supplementary exams commence (21-25 January).** Please pray for clarity of thought and for God's sustaining for those sitting supplementary exams.
- 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.
- Andrew Hayes p8, Lucy He p8, Sarah Kanagaratnam p8, Sebastian Lane p9, Karen Lawson-Smith p9

Week 5: Monday, 28 January – Sunday, 3 February

- **Kick Off: Orientation & Welcome Day (2 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 that our **exiting students** might be consistent in giving priority to prayer and that prayer would be their instinctual reaction to the situations they face.
- 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.
- Timothy Lee p9, Tawanda Masango p9, Dan McKinlay p9, Marcelo Morbelli p9, Jum Naden p9

FEBRUARY 2019

Focus for February

- **Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students (5-15 February)**
 - **Ordination (16 February)**
 - **Priscilla & Aquila Centre Conference (4 February)**
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Week 1: Monday, 4 February – Sunday, 10 February

- **Priscilla & Aquila Conference (4 February).** Pray that the day will go smoothly and that people learn much that is useful in the main sessions and the electives.
 - 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.
 - **Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students (5-15 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 Will Timmins and Lionel Windsor who are teaching this course. Pray too that the final stages of registration for these students will go smoothly.
 - Patrick O'Keeffe p9, Pedro Oliveira Woolmer p10, Daniel Ong p10, Jordan Peterson p10, William Quach p10
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Week 2: Monday, 11 February – Sunday, 17 February

- Pray that the **New Testament Summer Intensives for Year 2 (12 February) and Year 3 (13 February)** will be a good time of learning.
- **Summer Hebrew Intensive for Year 2 (14-15 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 (16 February).** Pray for the graduates of the College being ordained to serve the churches in Sydney. Please pray for the new ordinands, that they would serve with faithfulness, humility and courage.
- Pray for the **Faculty on study leave** this semester: **Mark Thompson, Archie Poulos and Philip Kern.** 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.
- Jess Smith p10, Matt Smith p10, Phil Stolk p10, Daniel Tan p11, Matt Tyler p11

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

- **Semester 1 Term 1 commences (18 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.
- **PTC Evening Course commences (19 February).** Pray that students are stimulated and stretched in their thinking and for Paul Williamson as he prepares to teach on the Pentateuch.
- Pray that the **Year Suppers (21 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.
- 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.
- Nick Webb p11, Andrew West p11, Andrew Williams p11, Jack Wong p11, Danae Woodward p12, Nick Woodward p12

Week 4: Monday, 25 February – Wednesday, 28 February

- Pray for the **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.
- 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.
- Paul Young p12, Robert Young p12, Tom Zhang p12, John Hudson p13, Andrew Spalding p13



Annual Conference

Monday 4 February 2019
9am-5pm

Main Speaker: Graham Beynon
on
**The Complementarian Jigsaw:
Gender, Ministry and the local church.**

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