



**December 2010  
— February 2011**

## **Prayer Bulletin**

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### ***From the Principal ...***

If we do not pray when we are in need, or when we are aware of others in need, then we are failing to honour God as God. Is he or is he not the source and giver of everything good? To fail to turn to him in our need is an expression of unbelief.

However when we do bring our requests to him we acknowledge his goodness. Our confidence in praying arises from his gracious invitation and his promise to hear our prayers. To actually pray is to take his invitation seriously and to believe his promise.

To pray is therefore to honour God as God.

There is much discussion these days in some Christian circles about “worship” – a term often used too loosely. Our English word “worship” comes from an old English word “worthship,” and means to honour the “worth” of someone.

To bring our requests to our heavenly Father is to “worship” him. We do not pray because we are worthy, but because *he* is good. By turning to *him* in our need, and as we see the needs of others, we are acknowledging his “worth” as the author of all goodness. There is no human activity that is more “worship” than turning to God for help, humbly trusting his promises.

Let us, then, worship him by praying for the work of our College, especially for those who have completed their courses of study and are on their way to serve our Lord Jesus Christ in so many different places. There are many needs indicated in this bulletin. Each represents an opportunity to honour our God by turning to him as the one on whom we depend.

***John Woodhouse***

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### **PRAYING FOR OUR EXITING STUDENTS**

Accompanying this Prayer Bulletin is a separate Exiting Students Prayer Booklet 2010. 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.

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# DECEMBER 2010

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## Focus for December

- **Exiting students for 2010**
- **Registrar's Department finalising results**
- **Christmas services and events**

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## Week 1: Wednesday, 1 December – Sunday, 5 December

- **Term 4 Correspondence Course commences 1 December.** Pray for the staff as they process the enrolments and get the materials out to the students. Pray also that many people will want to get to know God at a deeper level, hence, enrolling in the Correspondence Course.
- Give thanks for the hard work of the staff of the **Registrar's Department** and pray for them to be strengthened in godliness with contentment as they undertake the demanding tasks of finalising end of year results and preparing for incoming students in 2011.
- Pray for John Woodhouse, Archie Poulos and Andrew Ford as they commence a semester of study leave. Pray that their research projects will bring blessing to them, the College and the wider church over time.
- Marion Baker (p1), Tanya Clemence (p2), Jayme Fyfe (p6), Julie Philpott (p7), Chris Thompson (p18), Jai Wright (p19), Manfred Yew (p19).

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## Week 2: Monday, 6 December – Sunday, 12 December

- 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.
- Give thanks for the hard work and faithfulness of **Faculty** members during the past year 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.
- The majority of External Studies exam papers are posted to College and then to the markers before results are posted back to External Studies. Please pray that the post will deliver the parcels quickly so students can receive their results as soon as possible.
- Meenah Cornford (p2), Rebecca Lochlin (p3), Thomas McConaghey (p7), Tim Cocks (p11), Luke Collings (p11), Stephen Gilmour (p13), Tim Hu (p14).

### Week 3: Monday, 13 December – Sunday, 19 December

- Praise God for all the wonderful supporters of the College! Pray for additional enthusiastic supporters who will love us and will promote the gospel of Jesus.
- Give thanks for the response of nearly 100 students to the availability of **part-time studies** this past year and pray that what they have learnt will enable them to know God more truly and make him known more faithfully. Pray that many more lay people might be drawn to make use of the College's part-time courses to grow as disciples and to be equipped for serving their churches.
- Give thanks for the many godly and gifted students the Lord has entrusted to the College to equip and pray that he will guide many more to want to prepare for a lifetime of serving him through our full-time program.
- Please pray for those involved with the detailed **financial administration** of the College as the year end of 31 December brings added pressures and tasks to be performed. Pray for patience and the ability to allocate tasks using time wisely.
- Pray for grace for students as they receive their exam results before Christmas. Pray that they will be wise and measured in their responses. Pray especially for those who will need to sit supplementary exams.
- James Dakin (p2), Murray Grant (p3), Erich Serediuk (p8), Christian Anderson (p9), Al Green (p13), James Howse (p14), Ben Hudson (p15), Aisen Ju (p15).

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### Week 4: Monday, 20 December – Sunday, 26 December

- Give thanks for increased student numbers for External Studies in 2010 and pray for more people to make use of the PTC course in 2011. Give thanks particularly for the growth in use of the course in places such as Cuba, East Africa and the Indian Ocean region. Pray for the intensive programs planned for 2011 that are run through India Gospel League and African Enterprise.
- Please pray that regular donors will be raised up and our financial needs met.
- Give thanks for all that the more than 80 exiting students have learnt during their time at College and pray that for each of them God will provide open doors for the gospel and enable them to proclaim it clearly and boldly wherever he leads them now and in the future.
- 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.
- Andrew Lovell (p3), Jasmine Tavitian (p8), Andrew Tung (p8), Michael Baines (p9), Nathan Dean (p12), Mark Evers (p12), Dave Irving (p15), Toby Neal (p16).

# JANUARY 2011

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## Focus for January

- **New students for 2011**
- **Property Department**
- **Students moving into College**

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## Week 1: Monday, 27 December – Sunday, 2 January

- Please pray for perseverance in study over the summer break for students who need to sit supplementary exams in January.
- Ask God for smooth transitions for **students moving into College accommodation**. Pray for them as they settle in to new neighbourhoods. Give thanks for the College communities and pray that they will welcome the newcomers well.
- Give thanks to God for his help and guidance of the team of dedicated workers in the Registrar's Department.
- Pray that incoming students would be looking forward to their time at College and be eager to study God's word. Pray particularly for the adjustments necessary for those coming from interstate and overseas.
- Emma Beddoe (p1), Liz Mansour (p4), Marty (p12) and Katrina (p6) Feltham, Steve Lister (p6), Matt Bales (p10), Des Smith (p17), Michael Wells (p19).

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## Week 2: Monday, 3 January – Sunday, 9 January

- Pray for the members of the Governing Board's Audit & Finance Committee as it meets regularly to oversee the financial aspects of the College's work. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as matters are discussed and decisions taken.
- Pray that students will have a refreshing break before returning to study next year.
- 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.
- Pray for Neil Ferguson and the **Property Maintenance Department** over the break. There is much work to be done with limited resources. Pray for wisdom in prioritising jobs and for ingenuity in solving maintenance issues.
- Alie Benghe (p1), Stu Woods (p4), Kate Morris (p5), Sam and Sally Low (p7), Tessa Rossington (p7), Kristan Slack (p17), Jason Veitch (p18).

## Week 3: Monday, 10 January – Sunday, 16 January

- On February 7, Moore College will be hosting **The Priscilla and Aquila Centre launch conference**. Please pray that many men and women will come and that the day will prove beneficial for thinking through how men and women can better work together in ministry. Please pray for the speakers, including Peter Jensen who is giving the main talks from Gen 1– 3. Please pray for Jane Tooher organising the conference, and that all the administration goes well.
- Pray for Bill Salier as Acting Principal in Semester 1 and ask God to guide him and General Manager, Grant Millard, as they work with the Governing Board to address the various challenges, particularly financial, facing the College in coming years.
- Dan (p9) and Emma (p1) Anderson, Sean Carritt (p1), Anthony Chung (p11), Klaus Hickel (p13), Hui Shin (p17).

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## Week 4: Monday, 17 January – Sunday, 23 January

- **DBS Intensive (17 – 21 January)**. Pray that it will be a helpful time for all those who come. Pray also for those who are preparing the talks that they will have the necessary time to put into the preparation.
- Pray for planning for the new orientation program for new students, especially the Orientation & Welcome Day on Saturday 5 February.
- **Supplementary exams commence (17 January)**. Please pray for clarity of thought for those sitting supplementary exams.
- Glorya Lam (p3), Claire Gardner (p4), Daniel Presland (p7), Jeremy Clark (p11), Weber Hsu (p14), Daniel Webster (p19).

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## Week 5: Monday, 24 January – Sunday, 30 January

- Pray for wisdom in the way External Studies operates and for the further development of online learning courses.
- Pray for the College leadership as they steer a path through a continuing stream of changes in expectations of incoming students and the churches in which they hope to minister in the future and changes in the higher education environment in which we operate.
- 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 learnt from the Scriptures.
- Anna Kennedy (p4), Dave Fisher (p6), Matthew Davies (p12), Michael Dodd (p12), Jonathan Howes (p14).

# FEBRUARY 2011

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## Focus for February

- **Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students, including Orientation & Welcome Day (5 February)**
- **Ordination (5 February)**

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## Week 1: Monday, 31 January – Sunday, 6 February

- **Evening Course commences (31 January – 3 February).** Please pray for those delivering the lectures as they prepare the required material. Pray also that it will be a time when students are stimulated and stretched in their thinking.
- **Orientation & Welcome Day (5 February).** Please pray that this day, which is following a new format this year, will be a useful time for all incoming students and will provide good opportunities to get to know other students and their families.
- **Diocese of Sydney Ordination Ceremony (5 February).**
- Frank Federico (p2), Susan Williams (p4), Tory Cayzer (p10), Scott Lovell (p15), Jason Partridge (p16), Andrew Southerton (p18).

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## Week 2: Monday, 7 February – Sunday, 13 February

- **Greek Intensive and Orientation for First Year students (8-11 & 15-18 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 Greek study in particular. Pray too that **Registration** for these students on Thursday **10 February** will go smoothly.
- **The Priscilla and Aquila Centre Conference and official launch (7 February).**
- The **Correspondence Course Term 4 exams** are happening at the moment (**11 – 25 February**). Pray that the students will be well prepared for the exams, but more importantly, that they will have come to a deeper knowledge of the Lord.
- **Summer Hebrew Intensive for Year 2 (7-18 February).** Pray that the students will learn much from this intensive.
- Correspondence Course Term 1 commences on 1 March. Please pray for the staff at this very busy time, dealing with many enquiries as well as working to get the material out to students in time for the start of term.
- Eric Ma Fat (p3), Dave Miers (p7), Darwin Agahari (p9), Laura Maddock (p16), Liam Shannon (p17), Chris Spark (p18).

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## Week 3: Monday, 14 February – Sunday, 20 February

- **Online Registration due (Years 2-4).** Pray that the technology will work smoothly.
- Give thanks for the **library staff**. Please pray that, in all they do and say, they would show the love of Christ to each other and to all who use library services.
- Pray for preparations for the Graduation service on March 17 and for Keith Condie who will be the speaker. Pray that arrangements might proceed smoothly and that Keith will clearly explain the gospel that motivates our exiting students to serve Christ. Pray that graduating students will have a passion to share Jesus before all else.
- Pray that the **New Testament Summer Intensives for Year 2 (14 February) and Year 3 (15 February)** will be a good time of learning.
- 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.
- Joanne Dodds (p2), Mark Stavert (p4), Megan Hanger (p6), Peter Baker (p10), Kenneth Lo (p15), James Stinson (p18).

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## Week 4: Monday, 21 February – Monday, 28 February

- **Semester 1 Term 1 commences (21 February).** Give thanks for the start of lectures for the College year. Pray that God's word will be clearly explained and that the students will grow in their knowledge of God and their love for him so that they might serve him faithfully. Give thanks 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 College's **application for self-accrediting authority** will be expeditiously dealt with by the Department of Education and Training and that the Panel appointed to advise the Department will treat it fairly and on its merits.
- Pray for **Warren Darwall and the kitchen staff** as they begin to serve daily meals to the entire College. Give thanks for their commitment to the welfare of the students, Faculty and staff and pray for energy and stamina for them.
- Pray that our 2010 exiting students might give relationships a priority over activity and that they might actively seek to keep internal pressures from spilling over into the way those closest to them are treated.
- Melinda Choy (p1), Stephen Thanabalan (p4), Michael Bosshard (p6), Ivan Chow (p10), Benjamin Ho (p13), Joel Moroney (p16).

