



From the Principal...

There are many descriptions of Jesus which have echoed across the ages. Jesus is the teacher, the redeemer, the healer, and the Lord. Just as important as each of these, is the simple observation that Jesus is the one who prays. He is the teacher who prays, the redeemer who prays, the healer who prays, and the Lord who prays.

Why is prayer such an important part of Jesus' ministry? In the Gospels, we read of him praying at critical moments throughout his earthly ministry: when confronted by the direction that ministry would go, at Capernaum (Mark 1:35); during the course of his teaching ministry (Matt 11:25-26); before Lazarus' tomb (John 11:41); in the upper room with his disciples (John 17:1-26); just prior to his arrest (Matt 26:39-44); and from the cross (Luke 23:34, 46). At other points he told others he had prayed for them (Luke 22:32). Enthroned at the right hand of heaven, we are assured Jesus continues to pray for those who have drawn near to God through him (Heb 7:25).

Jesus' prayer is a real expression of his willingness to direct his life according to his Father's will. It was at the same time his participation in the unfolding of his Father's will. He prayed to his Father and his prayers themselves realised the will of his Father on earth. Jesus is our model for prayer as well as our encouragement to pray. He invited us to follow his own pattern of prayer, calling upon God as our Father because of the work of God's Spirit within us (Rom 8:15) and praying to our Father who sees and hears what is done in secret (Matt 6:6). And with that broad context, Jesus says "whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give it to you" (John 6:23).

Prayer is a wonderful privilege that directs our will according to that of our loving heavenly Father. Our prayer is also a way the Lord gives us to participate in his sovereign and gracious rule over all things. Please keep praying that God's will might be done at Moore College. Please keep praying we will persevere in this strange season of the COVID pandemic. Thank you for your fellowship and faithfulness.

Mark Thompson



September 2021

Page numbers in brackets after a person's name refer to profiles in SOCIETAS 2021.

Focus for September:

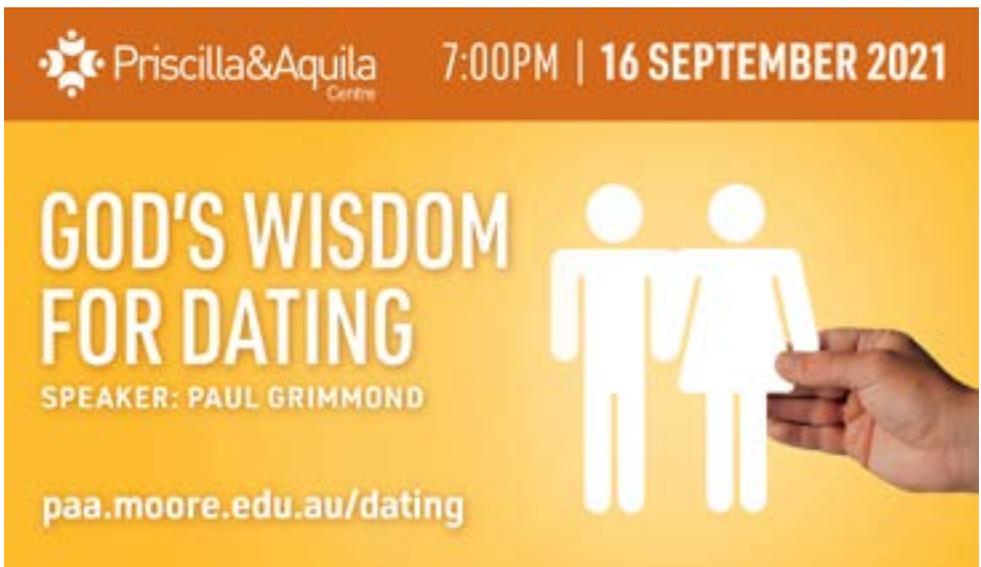
- **New students for 2022**
- **Spring Break 4 -12 September**
- **Priscilla & Aquila Seminar 16 September**

Week 1: Wednesday, 1 September – Sunday, 5 September

- Give thanks for **Moore College Sunday (1 August)** and the opportunities to invite parishes to partner with the College in prayer. Give thanks for all those who faithfully pray for the College and ask that God might raise up more people to be praying for us regularly.
- **Adam & Chin Johnson (3rd year, p29)** Please pray for Chin and I as any week now our baby will be born. Also please pray for further energy and endurance to do ministry during lockdown and in searching for ways to care for others in this time.
- **Susie & Tony Wright (1st year, p15)** Thank God for good health and the opportunity to be vaccinated. Please pray for our daughter in Year II, and other school students who are doing online schooling. Particularly for patience, energy and stamina as they navigate not only their workload, but their separation from teachers and peers.
- Pray for **students studying with young families** at home. Pray also for all students with increased tiredness that comes from extended screen time and coping with assessments with limited access to the library.
- **David & Amelia Höhne (Faculty, p42)** Praise the Lord for providing the resources that enabled us to broadcast the Annual Moore College Lectures and enable so many people to connect on the various days. Give thanks to the Lord for the privilege of serving the College community in this way. Please pray for wisdom and grace as I resume the rest of my administrative responsibilities, especially designing and implementing new courses and reviewing old ones.

Week 2: Monday, 6 September – Sunday, 12 September

- **Spring Break (4-12 September)** Please pray that this will be a refreshing break for students and Faculty. Please pray for those in the College community who will find this break difficult being away from family and loved ones.
- Give thanks for the opportunity to engage with prospective students at **Open Night (30 August)**. Pray that God will raise up many **new students** to study at College, to be equipped for his harvest field. Give thanks for those future students who have already made the decision to study with us at College in 2022.
- **Chris Thomson (Faculty, p43)** Please pray for faculty member Chris Thomson to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory both now and forever.
- **Josh & Larissa Goscombe (3rd year, p28)** Praise God for the arrival of our second child Anastasia (03/08/21). Pray that I might juggle family and study well over the coming months, and that we would continue to grow and prepare for a lifetime of ministry to families.



The poster features a dark orange header with the Priscilla & Aquila Centre logo and event details. The main body is a lighter orange with large white text for the event title and speaker. On the right, there is a white silhouette of a man and woman standing together, with a hand holding the woman's arm from the right side.

Priscilla & Aquila
Centre

7:00PM | 16 SEPTEMBER 2021

**GOD'S WISDOM
FOR DATING**

SPEAKER: PAUL GRIMMOND

paa.moore.edu.au/dating

Week 3: Monday, 13 September – Sunday, 19 September

- **Term 4 commences (13 September)** Please pray for energy and enthusiasm for all students as they return for the final term of the year.
- **Priscilla & Aquila Seminar - God's Wisdom for Dating (16 September)** Pray for Paul Grimmond (Dean of Students) as he prepares his talk for the event. Pray that those who attend will be encouraged in their faith with other like-minded Christians and spurred on in their service of the Lord Jesus.
- **Owen & Amy Robson (2nd year, p20)** Give thanks for our first 6 months of marriage, and pray for us as we navigate life together! Pray for Owen that he would delight more and more in the study of the Scriptures and that Amy would be energised to keep teaching and loving her Year I class.
- **Mark & Tanya Earngey (Faculty, p42)** We are grateful for our spiritual, mental, and physical health – an immense gift from God. We would appreciate prayer for our family in South Africa and America, most of whom have contracted COVID at some point. Please pray for Tanya's patience during home schooling and Mark's energy during long lecturing.



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**MEN PRAYING
FOR MOORE
BREAKFAST**

moore.edu.au/october-prayer **16 OCTOBER**

Week 4: Monday, 20 September – Sunday, 26 September

- Give thanks for the growing number of **postgraduate research students** and pray that they will remain focused while balancing family and ministry responsibilities. Ask that their study and research would benefit many.
- **Simon & Samantha Graham (2nd year, p19)** I am very thankful to God for the hard work that has been done to allow us to keep studying during lockdown. Please pray for energy for Sam and I as we look after our 8 month old and as I try to keep on top of my learning.
- **Murray & Helen Reddie (1st year, p11)** Please pray for a ministry I am involved with, 'Transport for Christ Mission', that spreads the gospel amongst truckies and their families. Pray especially for the health of truck drivers, living on the roads – that they find clean cafes, showers, and amenities, at a time when these can be closed due to COVID.
- **Gordon Cain - Academic Support Officer** Give thanks to the Lord that I can work with students during lockdown. Please pray for wisdom in how best to serve students and the College, and which projects to work on. Pray especially that I can help all students learn better at Moore College.



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Centre for
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20 OCTOBER 2021 | **LIVESTREAMED EVENT**

October 2021

Focus for October:

- **Day of Prayer 14 October**
 - **Men Praying for Moore 16 October**
 - **Centre for Ministry Development (CMD)**
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Week 1: Monday, 27 September – Sunday, 3 October

- The College timetable for this term includes a **Research Week (27 Sept - 1 Oct)**. Pray that our students will be disciplined and productive as they complete assignments during this non-teaching week.
 - **Ash Braithwaite (2nd year, p18)** Praise God for providing joy in learning and studying at Moore. Please ask that I would grow in prayerfulness, godliness, and contentment, which is great gain! Also ask for ministry opportunities post-college.
 - Pray for **Colin Bale on his retirement from the College Faculty** and for his plan to assist the ministry at St Mark's Picton. Give thanks for his many years of faithful service to the College.
 - **Ned & Beth Teuben (3rd year, p30)** Give thanks that Beth and I have been able to participate in the marriage course hosted by College. It has helped us to stop and reflect on our relationship. Please pray for the youth Bible studies Beth and I lead at church. With lockdown it has been harder to connect and grow in our relationship with them. Please pray that they will mature in their faith, love, and knowledge of Jesus.
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Week 2: Monday, 4 October – Sunday, 10 October

- Pray for Archie Polous as he comes back to the Directorship of the **Centre for Ministry Development (CMD)**. Praise God for the great team of coaches and consultants that they have, and praise God for the way that the Developing Rectors Program has been so helpful to clergy.
- **Simon Swadling (2nd year, p20)** I'm thankful for God sustaining me through a huge period of change in my life, and I would appreciate prayer for patience and insight into how to minister faithfully to the people in my care at my church in the time I have.
- **Micah & Sophall Beel (2nd year, p18)** We thank God for this year that he has matured both of us in significant ways in our faith, life, and ministry. Ask God that he would help us provide our funding for our next year at College.
- Pray for Faculty members, **Peter Orr and George Athas on study leave**, both seeking to make progress on writing contracts.

Week 3: Monday, 11 October – Sunday, 17 October

- **Day of Prayer (14 October)** Give thanks for the opportunity to put aside the College program and focus on the privilege of prayer. Pray that this will be an encouraging time for the College community.
- Pray for those amongst the Faculty who, alongside their teaching and pastoring of students, have **speaking engagements** with churches, events, and conferences. Pray for energy, enthusiasm, and faithfulness.
- **Sylvia & Simon (1st year, p10)** Thanking God for the opportunity to be at Moore College. Pray I would continue to grow in knowledge of God and lovingly and diligently share it with others. Pray also that Simon and I would seek God and His Kingdom first above all things.
- **Men Praying for Moore (16 October)** Give thanks for the men who gathered from all over the world earlier this year to pray for the College. Pray that many men will meet online to unite in requests of our heavenly Father and that they will build a greater sense of partnership and involvement in the College.

Week 4: Monday, 18 October – Sunday, 24 October

- Give thanks for those who have been involved in the various **Moorewomen committees** either on campus or online throughout the year and for those who are involved in planning the various activities and programs for next year. Pray that these will be beneficial for the student wives and female students who attend. Pray particularly for flexibility and creativity in planning events and meetings in this COVID-19 season.
- Give thanks for the **Centre for Christian Living (CCL) Seminar on Raising the Next Generation** 20 October. Pray for Paul Dudley and Mark Earngy as they prepare to present. Pray for those who attend, that they would be encouraged to live out their faith as they interact with and minister to the next generation.
- **Duncan & Francesca Sutherland (2nd year, p20)** Please pray for settling into parenthood with Leo and as a family balancing college with Francesca's part-time work. Give thanks for Leo's good health and pray that Francesca and I would be modelling a patient love of each other and love of God to Leo even in these early stages.
- **Simon & Margie Gillham (Faculty, p42)** Pray with Simon that God would continue to grow his faith in the Lord Jesus, love for others, and more firmly establish his hope in the glory to come.

Week 5: Monday, 25 October – Sunday, 31 October

- **The Moore PTC Team** gives thanks for the many motivated PTC students and asks for prayer in managing workload and current projects such as the academic review of the Preliminary Theological Certificate content.
- Give thanks for those students who have finalised **ministry positions** for 2022. Please pray for those who are still looking, that they will be wise as they consider where they can best serve God and his people, and that they will trust in God's timing.
- **Vivian & Eric Cheung (PhD, p15)** I am thankful that my family and I are working out a routine during lockdown. I would appreciate prayers for productivity in my studies and for sustaining my whole family over this challenging period.
- Please pray for various **Centre for Ministry Development (CMD) workshops** scheduled for the rest of this year. Pray for the clergy who are attending these workshops, as they continue to develop their ministry skills in relation to their practical work experience.
- Give great thanks to God for all his **provision and sustaining of the College**. Pray that students would continue growing in their knowledge, love, and faith in God during this disruptive time. Pray that God will continue to provide for the College throughout the year.

Focus for November:

- **Stuvac 1-4 November**
 - **Students sitting exams 6-12 November**
 - **Final Friday 12 November**
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Week 1: Monday, 1 November – Sunday, 7 November

- **Stuvac (1-4 November)** Pray for effective study for the students as they prepare for their exams. Pray that the students will grow in their knowledge of God as they study, and that their families will be able to support them well. Pray that this week will be a worthwhile time of drawing together what they have learnt and that all, particularly those who find exams stressful, might know the peace of God at this time.
- **Caitlin Ogg (1st year, p11)** Praise God for the relationships that I've built this year and the support and encouragement they have been for growing in my godliness. Pray that I will continue to deepen my knowledge of God and joy in the gospel, despite the challenges the college is facing.
- Pray for the **new mums** and their babies at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. Give thanks for the opportunities that many in our community have to be a part of this ministry on behalf of Mothers' Union over many years, and for those who make the gifts they give the women. Pray that this ministry can resume when the pandemic settles down and for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus.
- Pray for **library staff** as they seek to provide high-quality collections and services to students. Give thanks for the expansion of the digital archive collections and services. Thank God for the blessing the library brings to the College community and beyond, for their study, research, and ministry.

Week 2: Monday, 8 November – Sunday, 14 November

- Give thanks for all the **students who are completing their studies** this year. Thank God for their time here at Moore College and the friendships they have made. Pray that they will enjoy their final weeks and have a memorable time as they are farewelled.
- **Term 4 concludes (12 November)** This day marks the end of the College year for students. Give thanks for all that the students have learned from their lectures throughout the year. Pray for them as they apply this knowledge to their own lives and the ministries in which they are involved. Pray that they will always delight in God.
- Pray for all members of the **Registrar's Department**, for their wellbeing, and as they continue to support the students and Faculty and undertake various development projects.
- **Sarah Rootes (4th year, p39)** Pray for wisdom in making decisions about next year and finding closure in finishing the year amidst uncertainty. Pray for me as I go through a time of thankfulness and reflection for all I have learnt while at College. Praise God for the current encouragement my midweek Bible study is bringing to my life and my faith.

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

- Pray for the Faculty as they continue **marking exams** and seek to finalise results for students within a tight deadline. Pray for energy and perseverance so that they will be able to work carefully and that they will be fair and consistent in their marking.
- Give thanks to God for the wonderful **kitchen team**. Give thanks for their combined ability to provide a varied, healthy and tasty menu despite the challenging circumstances over the past 18 months and for their dedication to their jobs and their commitment to keeping students and Faculty satisfied.
- **Peter & Hanna Chan (2nd year, p18)** Thank God for keeping Evangel, Hanna and I safe during lockdown and the blessings from our siblings in Christ. We ask for wisdom and capacity to support those at College and at our church during this time.
- Give thanks for the provision of students from all over the world for our **online courses**. Pray that through their studies they will learn more of God's word, know him better, and be excited about all that he has done for them in Jesus.

Week 4: Monday, 22 November – Monday, 28 November

- **Martin Fong (2nd year, p19)** Praise God for my engagement with Olivea. Pray for our preparation for our wedding and our marriage, especially in the difficulty and uncertainty of this pandemic. Pray that God would bring my friends to faith. We've had many conversations about Jesus and they've come to the Mark Drama and church.
- Pray for families living on the **Newtown, Croydon Park and North Parramatta campuses**, that they will grow in godliness as they balance the special joys and unique trials of living in close communities. Pray particularly for those about to farewell neighbours and welcome new ones. Pray that the communities will adjust quickly and that they will be welcoming to the newcomers over the next few months.
- Pray for the **Governing Board of the College** and its various committees. Thank God for the great skills and talents that the board members bring to their task. Pray for wisdom and discernment as, under God, they plan for the future of the College and seek to execute its strategic plan.
- Pray for the **2022 Priscilla & Aquila conference**, and for those organising the event. Pray also for Faculty member Peter Orr as he prepares to give the main talks on The One Another Commands.

Personal Prayer Notes

2022 CONFERENCE

BE DEVOTED TO **HONOUR** LIVE IN HARMONY WITH **SERVE**

THE ONE ANOTHER COMMANDS

ADMONISH CARE FOR **ACCEPT** **LOVE** **BUILD UP** BE LIKEMINDED TOWARDS **GREET**

**SPEAKER:
PETER ORR**



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31 JANUARY 2022 | 8:30AM – 5:00PM