



From the Principal...

I have often been struck by the words of Jesus to the disciples in the last week of his life, when they asked him about “the close of the age”: “And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come” (Matt. 24:14). It is a powerful reminder that the global gospel mission has a critical role in the history of the entire universe. All things are to be brought under the rule of Christ and the way God has chosen to achieve this is through the proclamation of “the gospel of the kingdom”.

It is all too easy for us to be short-sighted when it comes to the gospel mission. We can be almost exclusively concerned with our community and our strategy for reaching our neighbours. Such a concern is right and good. God has placed us in this place at this time with the opportunity to reach these people. But if this is all we see and we don't lift our eyes to see the vast scope of God's plan and our mission we can miss the mind-blowing scale of God's love and sacrifice at the cross, let alone lose sight of the great destination of God's purpose: the multi-racial, multi-lingual gathering around the throne of God and the Lamb (Rev. 7:9–12). As a friend of mine once said to me, “We're better when we're not thinking or talking about ourselves!”

One of my annual joys at Moore College is our College Graduation, in which our graduates not only receive their degree certificates but the assembled throng get to hear where they have gone to serve the mission and God's people. To hear of men and women going to the Pacific Islands, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe, North and South America is wonderfully exciting. This little College on the edge of the world is being used by God to further his plan of providing “a testimony to all nations”.

In this issue of our Prayer Bulletin we get an opportunity to pray for those students who are leaving us and going onto the global mission field. In Sydney, rural Australia, other capital cities and around the world — Moore College graduates are loving the Lord, loving the Lord's word, and loving the Lord's people. Isn't that a wonderful thing to hear of and pray about? Thank you for praying.

Mark Thompson

*This edition features 2024 ministries and prayer points for **students exiting College in 2023**. We have done our best to be up to date, some details may have changed since these prayer points were gathered. Degree names and references to Societas 2023 profiles are in brackets after individual's name.*



December 2023

Focus for December:

- **Exiting students for 2023**
 - **Registrar's Department finalising results**
 - **Christmas services and events**
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Week 1: Friday, 1 December – Sunday, 10 December

- 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 of Christ and prepare for a lifetime of serving him.
 - **Gillian Kuek (married to Dominic, p. 13, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Lay ministry at St. Thomas' North Sydney
 - Please pray for my husband and I as we learn to parent our new baby well, that we would be faithful and godly in the ministries that God has graciously given to us! Please also pray that our daughter would grow up knowing how much she is loved by her Father in heaven and would know and love him herself.
 - **Philip & Amy Kern (Faculty, p. 49)** Give thanks for the opportunity to speak at the Cite conference in Canberra on John's gospel this week. Pray also for the NTE conference as a whole. Thank God with us for the safe arrival of our grandson, Philip Calvin, and pray that he would be raised with godly wisdom.
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Week 2: Monday, 11 December – Sunday, 17 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. Pray that beach missions, camps and conferences will be attended well, that people will serve faithfully and that God's word would be clearly proclaimed.
- **Jade Hajj (married to Karen, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Grace City Church
 - Please pray for me as I move to a full time role. Pray for my quiet times, that I may stay devoted to spending time with God daily as the responsibilities increase.
- **Rachel Chin (p. 11, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Assistant Chaplain (Meriden Anglican girls school)
 - Pray that I will teach God's words clearly, engagingly and faithfully to students and staff at Meriden Anglican as a school chaplain there next year.
- 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 2024.

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

- **Rose Condie (married to Isaac, p.12, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Lay Ministry
 - We are thankful to God for sharing this year studying together at College. It has been a joyful experience of growing together under God's word. Pray that we will always be growing in our faith.
- 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.
- **Sophie Witheridge (married to Phillip, p. 34, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Maturity Pastor at St Paul's Carlingford & North Rocks
 - Pray that I would approach this new role with humility and that I would be able to learn from those on the team. Pray that God would give me wisdom as I seek to help everyone at St Paul's grow in their love and knowledge of God and prayerful dependence on God.
- Pray for the **Priscilla & Aquila (P&A) Centre Annual Conference** taking place on 5 February 2024, titled 'Following Christ as Men and Women'. Pray also for Jane Tooher, Director of the centre as she prepares for the event.
- Give thanks for the opportunity to celebrate the birth of Jesus! 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.
- **David Harrington (married to Maddie, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant minister at a young church in Adelaide
 - Pray that God will keep growing us in love for him and his people.



8:30AM – 5:00PM | 5 FEB 2024

FOLLOWING CHRIST AS MEN AND WOMEN

MAIN SPEAKERS:
ANDREW LESLIE & CLARE DEEVES

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

- 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 them to have patience and the skill to manage their time effectively in handling these tasks.
- **Amy Olsson (married to Ben, p. 33, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - AFES - Australian Catholic University, North Sydney
 - Pray for wisdom and dependence on God as I serve with AFES at ACU North Sydney and train an apprentice next year.
- 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 in 2024.
- **Julian Yin (married to Emma, p. 34, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Assistant Minister at The Bridge Church, Kirribilli & Neutral Bay (Youth & Young Adults)
 - Please pray that God would give our family a good time of rest and use us mightily for his glory as we minister to the youth and young adults of The Bridge Church.
- **Renee Capel (married to Matt, p. 31, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Youth Ministry Wahroonga Anglican
 - Please pray that God would be glorified in the ministry that we are doing next year. Pray that we would remain faithful to the gospel in all areas of our lives.
- **Stephanie Adams (p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Children's Minister, Panania Anglican Church
 - Ask God to help me grow in joy, and in trusting him, day by day. May he strengthen me to serve him and live for Christ's kingdom, whatever circumstances I am in, until he calls me home.
- **Tim Young (married to Chantelle, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Minchinbury Anglican - Assistant (Families Minister)
 - We are very thankful for the opportunity to serve the Church in Minchinbury. Pray that we settle in well, build good support networks, and come with a joy, humility, and love for God's family. Pray that I can encourage and support the various leadership teams well, and help raise new leaders for the generations to come. Pray for a boldness to model and preach Christ crucified, and that Minchinbury will be a family that continues love Jesus and show Jesus' love in Western Sydney.

Focus for January:

- **Property Maintenance Department**
 - **Supplementary exams (16 - 20 January)**
 - **Students moving into College**
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Week 1: Monday, 1 January – Sunday, 7 January

- 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.
- **Jared Lidgerwood (married to Erin, p. 32, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister at St Peter's Cathedral, Armidale
 - Please pray as my family and I serve at St Peter's Cathedral, Armidale, that we will grow in godliness, love for the lost, and that my training there will set us up for a lifetime of ministry in the country.
- Pray for patience, energy and workload for the **Property & Maintenance Department** during this busy time of year with many students moving in and out of College properties over summer. Pray for the team as they welcome new members into the team. Pray that the team would work well together and be excited by the mission of the College and the role that they can play in that.
- **Sam Foster (p. 18, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Youth ministry and SRE Co-ordination at Richmond Anglican Church
 - I am so grateful for the time I've been able to spend at College growing in my knowledge of God's word and its application for life and ministry. As I continue in youth and school's ministry next year, please pray that young people across Richmond and the surrounding Hawkesbury area would turn to Christ, be saved and get firmly established in Christian community.
- **Carole Maxworthy (married to Cam, p. 33, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - St Annes Ryde
 - Please pray that I would continue to grow in love and godly character as I serve at church and in my family.
- **Micah Beel (married to Sophall, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - St. Phil's, Anglican church, Eastwood
 - Please be praying for us as we make decisions about next year, that we would be driven by godly motives and that the ministry we join might glorify the Lord Jesus.

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

- **Luke Fotheringham (married to Emma, p. 32, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - EV Church / Emu Music
 - Pray that my spiritual formation from my time at College would benefit the members of the church under my care.
- 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.
- 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.
- **Kylie Yip (married to Andy, p. 34, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Ministry of the hearth and home, investigating schools ministry for the future.
 - Pray for godly lay ministry, that God would use our family as a blessing in Penrith.
- **Jonathan Adams (married to Jessica, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister - St Andrew's Cathedral
 - Give thanks for the opportunity to serve at St Andrew's Cathedral next year. Please ask God to sustain my family as I seek to encourage the believers there and reach out to the city of Sydney with the gospel.
- **Reuben Birchley (married to Kim, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister at All Saints Anglican Church, Moree
 - Pray for my wife Kim and I to serve God and his people faithfully at All Saint's Anglican Church in Moree.
- **Brooke Hazelgrove (p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Admin position at a church in the city
 - Please pray that God would use me for growing his kingdom in just the right ways, and that I would grow in joyful dependence on him.
- **Michael Latten (married to Erin, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister, Campbelltown Anglican Church
 - As I begin serving in South West Sydney, please pray that I will consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, and that I will press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.
- **Josh Donohoo (married to Maddy, p.41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Anglican Ministry in Sydney Diocese
 - Give thanks to God for giving us endurance to complete all we needed to do at the end of last year. Pray for continued grace as we enter into a new year.

Week 3: Monday, 15 January – Sunday, 21 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.
- **Peter Blake (married to Leah, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister - St Stephen's Normanhurst
 - Please pray that as I serve as an Assistant at St Stephen's, Normanhurst that Leah and I will not seek glory from people, but that we would be gentle and affectionately desirous and ready to share the gospel and ourselves.
- **Josh Keatley (married to Megan, p. 12, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Lay ministry
 - Please pray for Megan, myself and our baby to entrust our plans and dreams to our sovereign and loving God.
- **Supplementary exams commence (15 - 19 January)** Please pray for clarity of thought and for God's sustaining of those sitting supplementary exams.
- **James McDonald (p. 18, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Emu Music
 - Pray for a continued renewal of God's strength as I seek to serve Him with Emu Music and within my marriage.
- **Ash Braithwaite (p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Overseas Ministry
 - Please pray for God's provision as I prepare to move to Seoul in Aug 2024. Thank God for the many gospel partners I have both here in Sydney and in Seoul. Pray that I will hold fast to Jesus and love him more each day as I walk with him.
- **Hosea Luy (married to Jess, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister at St Michael's Wollongong (specifically taking care of the 9.45am family and 11.30am Easy English congregations)
 - I'm so keen to love and serve the people of Wollongong. I'm daunted by the reality of shepherding God's people and how the Devil wants to cut down Christian leaders so the sheep will scatter. Please pray for me and my wife Jess to love Jesus more than anything else everyday.
- **Owen Robson (married to Amy, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister, Belmore Anglican
 - Pray that I would minister the gospel well in all circumstances, and that God might protect our family as we transition. Pray for wisdom as we think through with the church what this new role might look like in the next few years.

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.
- **Vanessa Lim (p. 13, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Marriage, lay ministry at church, part-time Pastoral Carer with Anglicare
 - Please pray that I may prayerfully depend on God amidst all the changes in the new year. Pray that my fiancé, Kevin, and I may honour Christ in our marriage and be a blessing to others. Pray for wisdom to know how to serve my new church family, and for faithfulness, love, and boldness as I care for the elderly with Anglicare.
- **Alex Macdonald (married to Katie, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Doctoral study (Cambridge)
 - Please pray that God would provide for our family as we move away from our support networks - especially by establishing us in a faithful and supportive church community.
- Praise God for the continued generosity of those who are **prayerfully and financially supporting the College**. Give thanks to God for those who are currently considering leaving a gift in their will for the future of College. Ask God to provide more supporters who are willing to invest in future generations to continue to proclaim Christ.
- **Paul & Karen Williamson (Faculty, p. 49)** Pray that Paul will get his Exodus commentary completed during his study leave in the first half of 2024.
- **Tom Israel (married to Abi, p. 32, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Uni study and volunteer ministry at church
 - Pray the the Lord would be glorified in all things as I reutrn to uni to do more study, and as I do ministry at my church.
- **Kevin Phang (married to Zoe, p. 42, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - St Mary's Cathedral in KL, Malaysia
 - Give thanks for our time in Sydney the last 10+ years. Please pray for Zoe, Isaiah and I as we readjust to life and ministry in Malaysia. Pray that we would be faithful servants of the gospel in St Mary's in KL.
- **James Rutherford (married to Nicole, p. 18, Doctor of Philosophy)**
 - Community building in Punchbowl with Punchbowl Anglican Church
 - Please pray for God's continued provision as we do ministry at Punchbowl Anglican Church. Pray that many would come and hear the gospel and be saved.

Focus for February:


- Faculty on study leave
 - Summer Intensives and Orientation for First Year students (6-16 February)
 - Diocese of Sydney Ordination Ceremony (17 February)
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Week 1: Monday, 29 January – Sunday, 4 February

- **Orientation Welcome (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.
- **Mel Clement (p. 31, Bachelor of Theology)**
 - Women's and Children's ministry at The Lakes Church, Tuggerah
 - As I begin in Women's and Children's ministry at The Lakes Church, Central Coast, please pray that I will re-enter church with wisdom after being away at College, and relate to staff and church teams with kindness and gospel-hearted clarity.
- **Jane Tooher (Faculty, p. 49)** Thank God for the refreshment over the summer with holidays and CMS Summer School. Please pray that, as a result, I will grow in love for God, his people, and the lost.
- **Max Brewer (married to Kate p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister (Kids and Youth) at Mosman Village Church
 - Please pray for a smooth transition into full-time ministry at Mosman Village Church, and that many young people in Mosman would be saved.
- **Ningjia Wang (p. 18, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Student ministry position at St Phil's Anglican Church Eastwood
 - Pray that God will use what I learned at Moore College to help me keep walking with Him and investing in His kingdom work.
- Give thanks for the opportunity to celebrate the **graduating students of 2023** at the College Graduation ceremony next month. Pray for those preparing the event, and speaker Ed Loane as he finalises his address for the event.
- Pray for the **Faculty members** who are on study leave this semester. Pray that as they have time away from their usual teaching load, they would study with wisdom and diligence, and pray that their research is of great benefit for others in the work of the gospel.


Week 2: Monday, 5 February – Sunday, 11 February

- **Orientation Week (6 - 16 February)** Give thanks for the start of the College year for new students. Pray that they will have energy to cope with all the new information and changes. Pray that the students would settle in well to College life.
- **Carmen Zheng (married to Alan, p. 18, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Motherhood and supporting my husband in AFES ministry in Melbourne
 - Pray for smooth transitions and lots of grace and patience for each other in the family as we move from College community (full of easily accessible support and friendships) to a different lifestyle in the suburbs where friends are not geographically close, and where friendships will take more time to build. Pray for wisdom and opportunities for God to use our whole family in AFES ministry.
- **Mark & Kathryn Thompson (Faculty, p. 48)** Please thank God for the enormous privilege of serving at Moore College. Please thank God for his care for us throughout a very busy year (including our final HSC!) Please pray for Kathryn and Mark as they seek to be faithful parents to their young adult daughters and care for aging parents. Please pray for Mark's study leave in first semester (that he would complete his book project and get some other writing done).
- **Adam Condie (married to Georgia, p. 41, Bachelor of Divinity)**
 - Assistant Minister - Anglican Churches Springwood
 - We are thankful to God for our time at College and All Saints Petersham. It is a joy and privilege to be returning to our home church at Springwood. Pray that we will humbly serve him for all our days!



**MOORE COLLEGE
GRADUATION**

26 MARCH 2024
7:30-9:30pm
City Recital Hall



Speaker:
Ed Loane



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

- **Jessica Halim (p. 12, Advanced Diploma)**
 - Workplace ministry with City Bible Forum 4 days/week and 1 day/week at South West Evangelical Church Kingsgrove doing women's ministry.
 - Please pray that next year I can serve faithfully in workplace ministry with City Bible Forum and at South West Evangelical Church doing women's ministry.
- **Robert Mayhew (married to Vicki, p. 42)**
 - A church in the Wollongong region (not yet announced/formalised)
 - Please pray for humility as my wife and I settle into a new area and as we both adjust to me becoming an associate minister.
- **Summer Intensives Block (12 - 16 February)** Pray that the 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. Please pray for the new ordinands, that they would serve with faithfulness, humility and courage.
- Pray for Gaurav Taneja, our head chef and the **Kitchen staff** as they begin to serve daily meals to the whole student body. Give thanks for their commitment to the welfare of the students and pray for energy and stamina for them.
- **Martin Fong (married to Olivea, p. 41)**
 - Christ College student, then Presbyterian ministry
 - Please pray that the extra year of studies at Christ College will equip me well for ministry in the Pressie system and pray for clarity as to where Olivea and I will serve in 2025.
- **Sarah Fitzpatrick (p. 32)**
 - Children's Minister at Hope Anglican Church Leppington
 - Please pray that God will fill me with a deep love for Jesus and for those I meet at Leppington, and that the gospel would continue to bear fruit and grow in South-West Sydney.
- **Jordan Cunningham (married to Amy, p. 41)**
 - Assistant in Anglican Church in Belfast, Northern Ireland
 - Please pray that we will encourage the saints in Belfast to keep trusting Jesus and that we would be prepared for future church planting in Ireland
- **Duncan Sutherland (married to Francesca, p. 42)**
 - EV Church, Erina - Youth Minister
 - As my family returns to the Central Coast to take up a position as Youth Pastor at EV Church, please pray that I would be able to lead a team with love and humility. Pray for my family that we would quickly settle into the community and find people to love and invest in.

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

- **Kerryn Hoffman (married to Paul, p. 18)**
 - Volunteer
 - Please pray for wisdom as I consider my serving options next year, courage and confidence to step out in faith, and acceptance of my current limitations. Also, for continued improvement in health. Thank you.
- **Alan Nguy (married to Carmen, p. 42)**
 - AFES Deakin University, Burwood, Victoria
 - As we return home to Melbourne and join the AFES team at Deakin University, pray that we might develop good roots with our local church and persevere in proclaiming Christ to those at uni.
- **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 Lord's Supper service to mark the start of the year.
- **Jake Fitzpatrick (married to Evangeline, p. 41)**
 - Assistant Minister - St James Turrumurra
 - Give thanks for the opportunity to serve the Lord and his people at St James Turrumurra next year. Pray for sustained joy in Christ through the many changes next year will bring. Ask that we might be a great example to those around us as we seek to model the Gospel faithfully by our life and testimony.
- Pray that as our students **study the word of God** and seek to proclaim it to others, it will have an impact on their lives. Ask God that they will continue to grow in their knowledge and love of him and that they will live lives of godliness.
- **Randal Benn (married to Annette)**
 - Wild Street Parish, Maroubra
 - Please pray that at Wild Street and St. Matts we would faithfully proclaim the gospel in the South East of Sydney, united in Him, and that the word would bear much fruit.
- **Nathan Tuckwell (married to Bonny, p. 42)**
 - Assistant Minister - St Mark's UNEchurch, Armidale
 - Praise God for the opportunity to move to Armidale and to serve as an assistant minister at St Mark's UNEchurch. Please pray for the logistics of moving, growth in our godliness, humility and love for Christ as we invest in our new community.
- Pray also for the following students who **finished at College in 2023**, but are still finalising where they will serve in 2024 (at the time of production of this bulletin): Priscilla Boon, Lauren Dunstan, Melody Hoey, Abigail Kee, Leanne Luk, Vicki Mayhew, Lat Saville, Jill Stevens, Silas Thiem, Simon Swadling, Sam Herbert.