



## From the Principal...

One of the great encouragements to prayer is in fact answers to prayer. We pray expecting God to answer, but when the answer is positive and visible for all to see there is often a new excitement about what God is doing. We know in theory that God answers the prayers of his people, prayed according to his will. It is a thrilling thing to see it in practice.

I am not as good at thanking God for answering my prayers as I am at asking in the first place (and I'm not brilliant at that either). Sometimes I've been surprised and end up reminding myself 'Yes, I prayed for that'. One good way of being regularly reminded of God's goodness is to keep a record of what you have prayed. Then review it regularly and see how many things the Lord has granted and how many things he answered in a different way.

We ought to be expectant in prayer and thankful when we see the answers. God is sovereign, he knows the whole picture in a way that is impossible for us, and his will is always good. He knows what is best, not just in the short-run but over the long-haul (Isa. 46:10). So when God's answer to our prayers does not match our hopes and expectations, even then there is a good reason for rejoicing.

This year the Lord has answered our prayers and given us a large number of first year students. The last time I checked we have 88 new faces and the vast majority of those are full-time students. We have been kept through the worst of the pandemic and those in our community that have contracted the virus in recent months have had relatively mild cases. We have been able to begin the year with minimal disruption. There is fresh excitement from all at College about what the new year will bring.

So we have every encouragement to 'rejoice always and pray without ceasing' (1 Thess. 5:16-17). The wider community is suffering stresses and strains in a way many of us have never seen before. The pressures are international and they include pressure to silence those who hold views that are unacceptable to the gatekeepers in government, media and education. All of this is an indication of the desperate need for men and women who will take the gospel of Jesus Christ to our city, country and all nations of the earth. We at College need to prepare people well for mission and ministry in the world of this moment and we need even more people to come here and be so prepared.

Thank you for praying for Moore College. We are very grateful for the prayers of so many which have been wonderfully answered over the last 166 years. God is faithful and he answers our prayers.

*Mark Thompson*



## MARCH 2022

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

### Focus for March:

- **New full-time and part-time students**
- **Moore College Graduation 14 March**
- **Preaching Christ Week (Sunday 20 March - Friday 25 March)**

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### Week 1: Tuesday, 1 March – Sunday, 6 March

- Give great thanks to God for the many **new full-time and part-time students** in first year this year. Thank God for his answer to our prayers for more men and women to be raised up to study and be equipped to take his word out. Pray that they will come to know God better as a result of all that they learn during their time at College.
- Pray for the **Registrar's Department** in this extra busy time for them as they prepare for the students' graduation coming up in the next few weeks.
- **Richard Wong (3rd year, p20)** Give thanks for a return to classes on campus after a difficult semester online, and pray for wisdom with respect to future ministry opportunities in Brisbane in 2023.
- Give thanks for the provision of students from all over the world for our online and community 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.



22 MARCH 2022

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**SCHOOL OF  
BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

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

- **Thom and Mary Jane Bull (PhD, p15)** Give thanks that I've been granted a semester's study leave from Trinity Theological College to make some progress on my dissertation. Please pray that I would use this time profitably, while being attentive and loving towards my family through it.
- **Jared and Erin Lidgerwood (2nd year, p10)** Please pray for our church at Lower Mountains as we seek to reach the growing number of young families. Please pray for Erin and I as we prepare for ministry that we will be patient, kind and loving to each other and our neighbours.
- **Paul and Karen Williamson (Faculty, p43)** Give thanks for Paul's successful heart bypass surgery and pray for his full recovery as he continues cardio-rehab. Give thanks for long service leave in Term 2 and the opportunity to catch up with family in person at last. Pray for Andrew and Khataya's forthcoming marriage in May and for safe and uncomplicated travel to and from their wedding in Ireland. Pray also for Matthew's physical and spiritual well-being as he spends some time alone in Belfast during 2022.
- Pray for the **CCL Seminar on Anger (Wednesday, 9 March, 7:30pm - 9:00pm)** looking at how the command to not murder exposes the anger in our hearts. Pray for Chase Kuhn and Kara Hartley as they prepare and pray that those who attend will apply what they learn to their everyday lives.
- **Prayer Support Group (Monday, 7 March)** Give thanks for the opportunity to once again meet in person to pray for the needs of the College. Thank God for the many women who gather and the privilege of bringing requests before God in this setting.

A banner for Moore College Graduation 2022. The background is a teal world map with white lines radiating from Australia to various parts of the world. The text is in white. The main title 'MOORE COLLEGE GRADUATION 2022' is in large, bold, sans-serif font. Below it, the date and time '14 MARCH 2022 | 7:30-9:30PM' are in a slightly smaller, bold, sans-serif font. In the bottom left corner, there is a circular portrait of a man, identified as Bishop Chris Edwards, with the word 'SPEAKER' above his name.

# MOORE COLLEGE GRADUATION 2022

14 MARCH 2022 | 7:30-9:30PM

 **SPEAKER**  
**BISHOP CHRIS EDWARDS**



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

- **Graduation (Monday 14 March, 7.30 – 9.30pm, City Recital Hall, Angel Place)** Give thanks for the opportunity to celebrate the graduates going out into the Lord's harvest and ask for God's blessing on this occasion. Pray particularly for Bishop Chris Edwards as he gives the occasional address. Pray that this will be an encouraging night as the word of God is clearly proclaimed. Give thanks for the wide variety of ministries our graduates have taken up and pray that they might effectively and lovingly serve God's people, to his glory.
- **Day of Prayer (17 March)** Give thanks for the opportunity for students to focus on prayer. Please join with them in praying that God will continue to use Moore College to train many men and women to proclaim Christ.
- **Josh and Maddy Donohoo (3rd year, p19)** Give thanks for the community of families at MooreWest (Parramatta). Pray that we'd strengthen relationships through the rest of the year so that we may learn from one another and see each other grow.
- Please pray for the **Finance team** as they finalise the College accounts for year end and work with the external auditors. Pray that God would give them wisdom and diligence as they continue to be careful stewards of the finances on behalf of College.

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## Week 4: Monday, 21 March – Sunday, 27 March

- **School of Biblical Theology (Tuesday 22 March)** Give thanks for the Faculty members presenting at this event, as they re-examine Biblical Theology. Pray that it would be an encouraging and thought provoking event for all that attend.
- **Tim and Naomi Lowth (2nd year, p11)** Give thanks to God with us for providing a place to live in Croydon Park and a great church family in Malabar. Please pray that we would settle in well to our new roles at church and that in his study this year Tim would continue to know God and grow to be more like the Lord Jesus.
- **Preaching Christ Week (Sunday 20 March – Friday 25 March)** Pray that this week would be a great opportunity for the students at College to grow in their knowledge and practice of evangelism. Pray for all those presenting throughout the week, that they would communicate effectively.
- **Andrew and Felicity Leslie (Faculty, p43)** Please pray for our children (William, Tessa and Hugh). Pray for smooth transitions to school (Hugh) and high school (William), and for courage to live out their faith. Please pray for wisdom and patience as we care for and disciple our children, and for good witness to wider family and colleagues (Felicity).

## Focus for April:

- **Library Seminar 6 April**
- **Easter 15 - 18 April**
- **Men Praying for Moore 30 April**

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## Week 1: Monday, 28 March – Sunday, 3 April

- **Emma and Harrison Rook (1st year)** Please thank God for this opportunity to study at Moore College and please pray that I will be able to continue loving and serving my husband throughout the busyness of work and study.
- **Chase and Amy Kuhn (Faculty, p42)** Please pray that our family would settle well into Croydon Park. Specifically, pray that we would be a blessing to the College community and a witness to the broader neighbourhood (e.g. school, sport).
- **Tony Kong (2nd year, p10)** Please pray for wisdom and endurance in balancing ministry and study commitments. Pray for growth in the preaching of God's word and evangelism. Pray for God to raise up more word-equipped servants at Auburn Anglican where I serve.
- **Adrian Cheung (2nd year, p9)** I'm thankful to God for the resumption of face-to-face learning. Please pray that I will be well-equipped for future ministry. Please also pray that I will serve well as a student minister at Chatswood Baptist church.

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## Week 2: Monday, 4 April – Sunday, 10 April

- **Pip and Sophie Witheridge (2nd year, p12)** Praise God for the opportunity for us both to study full-time this year, and pray that God would help us worship him with our hearts and minds throughout the year.
- Pray for **Andrew Shead (Faculty, p43)** and **Tara Stenhouse (Faculty, p43)** on study leave this semester. Pray that they might use this break from teaching responsibilities well and make good progress on their research and writing commitments.
- Pray for the **Library Seminar on The story of the Bible in Australasia, 1788-1850**. Pray for Dr Meredith Lake as she presents on the profound impact the Bible had on the development of the land in New South Wales and beyond, notably through colonial chaplains Richard Johnson and Samuel Marsden.
- **Lana and Piri Kularajah (1st year)** Please pray that I would settle in well to my new church, Auburn Anglican, and be able to develop good relationships. Please pray that I would transition well into student life and develop good patterns of study, which help me to know and love God and his people more.

## Week 3: Monday, 11 April – Sunday, 17 April

- The College timetable for this term includes a **Research Week (11-15 April)**. Pray that our students will be disciplined and productive as they complete assignments during this non-teaching week.
- **Easter (15-18 April)** Praise the Lord for the wonderful salvation won for us on the cross. Thank God for the opportunity to stop and remember all that Jesus has done for us, and to celebrate his resurrection!
- **Autumn Break (16 -25 April)** Pray that students and Faculty will have a refreshing break.
- Pray for those amongst the Faculty who, alongside their teaching and pastoring of students, have **writing commitments** to fulfill. Pray for discipline, energy and faithfulness.
- **Matthew and Saya Peters (3rd year, p20)** We are thankful for a great summer break being able to catch up with family and friends. Please pray for God's wisdom and guidance as we continue thinking this year about future mission and having conversations with various people and agencies and that God might use this to grow us in our humility.



**MEN PRAYING  
FOR MOORE**

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**30 APRIL 2022**

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## Week 4: Monday, 18 April – Sunday, 24 April

- Pray for Paula Darwin, Alumni Officer, that she will continue to build on the good work of 2021 with alumni reunion events. Pray also that Paula and Caroline Clark, Recruitment Officer, will have fruitful conversations with rectors in Sydney around **raising up the next generation** of students.
- Praise God for the opportunity that College students have to **serve the College and local communities** through different service teams. Pray for good relationships with the local community, many opportunities to share the gospel, and that many people would come to know the love of Christ through these teams.
- Give thanks for Rowena Razon taking up the role of **Cleaning Coordinator** as she oversees the cleaning of John Chapman House. Pray for her health and stamina as she continues to recover from the effects of Covid, and also cares for a full John Chapman House this year.
- **Ai Lyn Adamson and RD Saunders (p15)** As I finish up my Advanced Diploma of Bible, Mission and Ministry, please pray that God would continue to provide opportunities to serve my church family. Give thanks to God for the way he has sustained our growing family over ten years of part-time study.

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## Week 5: Monday, 25 April – Sunday, 1 May

- **Term 2 commences (26 April)** Pray that students start the new term refreshed, rested and prepared for the challenges ahead.
- **Men praying for Moore event (30 April)** Give thanks that many men can gather today to bring the work of the College before God in prayer.
- Praise God for the generosity of our many supporters that has enabled scholarships to be awarded to students in 2022 and increased financial support to the College in spite of COVID-19. Please thank God for the new international students accepted for study who have arrived at College.
- **Tim Nicholls and Siew Mun (Master of Theology, p15)** Thank God for the opportunity to study remotely while we serve the gospel in Malaysia. Pray that as I research how the Isaianic Servant shaped Paul's ministry in Acts, I would grow in sacrificial service of others in my own life.

# MAY 2022

## Focus for May:

- **Centre for Christian Living event - Lust 4 May**
- **Open events for prospective students 9 - 13 May**
- **Priscilla & Aquila Women's Writing Award**

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## Week 1: Monday, 2 May – Sunday, 8 May

- **Ellie Williams Roldan (2nd year, p12)** Pray for Ellie as she continues to head up Membership at the evening service at MBM Rooty Hill, rebuilding teams and seeking to restructure to keep the focus on loving new people well. Pray for her as she settles into living on campus and seeks to grow in Jesus-like character, and depth of biblical understanding.
- Pray that God would be pleased to use the **Priscilla & Aquila Centre** to encourage women in Christian ministry. Give thanks for the new **Women's Writing Award Initiative**. Pray that many women would be encouraged to take part.
- Please join us in thanking God for the work of the **Library team**, who work hard to provide books and other resources. Please pray for wisdom for the team as they seek to serve the students and support their learning needs.
- **Centre for Christian Living event - Lust (4 May, 7:30 - 9:00pm)** Pray for those who attend this event that they would be confronted by their sin, and encouraged to bring it before God in repentance. Ask that this would be a helpful event for all who attend.

A poster for the 'Lust' event. The background is a textured red. In the top left, a black box contains the text 'COMMANDING THE HEART' in white. In the center, the word 'LUST' is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. Below it, a white box contains the text 'MATTHEW 5:27-30' in red. On the right side, there is a large, dark red heart with a jagged, lightning-bolt-like crack running through it. At the bottom, there is a dark grey horizontal bar. On the left of this bar are the logos for 'MOORE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE' and 'Centre for Christian Living'. On the right, a white box contains the text '4 MAY 7.30 PM - 9 PM' in red. Below this box, the text 'REGISTER ONLINE AT ccl.moore.edu.au' is written in white.

COMMANDING THE HEART

**LUST**

MATTHEW 5:27-30

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Centre for Christian Living

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## Week 2: Monday, 9 May – Sunday, 15 May

- **Open Week (9 -13 May) and Open Night (9 May)** Give thanks for the opportunity for people to come along and find out more about the College. Pray that many will be guided to pursue ministry training with College.
- **Prayer Support Group (9 May)** Give thanks for this women's prayer group that has been meeting for many decades to pray for the needs of the College, its Faculty, students and staff. Pray that as these women gather to thank God and bring requests to our heavenly Father, they will be an encouragement to one another and to the faculty wives and student wives who meet with them.
- Pray for the team of **chaplains** who assist in the pastoral care of our students, especially those chaplains who are joining Moore College for the first time this year. Pray for good relationships with the students they serve and that the chaplains will balance their College ministry and other responsibilities well.
- Please pray for students enrolled in the **Advanced Diploma of Bible, Mission and Ministry** course, that God's Spirit will continue to work in them so that they will grow in their love and knowledge of God; that they will delight in God's word; and that they will grow to be more like Jesus. Please pray that as a result of doing this Advanced Diploma, the students will be stronger and more faithful teachers of God's word; that they will desire to seek the lost with the gospel of Jesus Christ; and that they will be better equipped to train others in ministry.



 **Priscilla & Aquila**  
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# WOMEN'S WRITING AWARD

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### Week 3: Monday, 16 May – Sunday, 22 May

- **Paul and Cathy Grimmond (Faculty, p42)** Please pray for energy and discipline as Paul does some extra study in Application in Preaching alongside his work as Dean of Students and classroom teaching. Pray that he will use what he's learning wisely for the growth of students in their ministry.
- Give thanks for the dedicated **staff of the College** and all they do to support the students and Faculty. Please ask God to keep them in good health, particularly as the winter months approach.
- Pray for those undertaking **postgraduate studies** at College, either full-time or part-time. Pray that they will be wise in time management and that their learning will be a blessing to God's people.
- **David and Michelle Brackenbury (PhD, p15)** Praise God for adopting us as his children and making us co-heirs with Christ. Pray that he would help us to pray and strive to see lives won by the gospel and transformed in his service among students on campus at UNSW.

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### Week 4: Monday, 23 May – Tuesday, 31 May

- **PTC Graduation (27 May)** Give thanks for the opportunity to celebrate the graduates who have completed their Moore College Preliminary Theological Certificate (PTC) study and ask for God's blessing on this occasion. Pray that this will be an encouraging night as the word of God is clearly proclaimed by John Lovell.
- Pray for **students and spouses struggling** with infertility. Pray that they would have a deep trust in God and his goodness toward them and that they might be granted the gift of children. Pray too for those students struggling with depression, anxiety and other issues. Pray for strength, patience and perseverance and that they would be well supported and make good progress in their studies.
- **Ian and Leanne Chew (Master of Theology)** We thank God for the love and support shown by our church families both here in Australia (Crossroads, Canberra) and back in Singapore (KPRBC). May the Lord use our time here to grow our family's faith in and obedience to the gospel.
- Pray for the **Centre for Global Mission (CGM)** as they support current partners with theological resources and IT resources, manage translation projects; and establish new partnerships. Pray for CGM Partners who have been adversely affected by COVID-19 and related economic difficulties.





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## 2022 OPEN EVENTS

**Open Week 9 - 13 May**

**Open Night 9 May**

**Open Week 29 Aug - 2 Sept**

**Open Night 29 Aug**

**Open Day 8 Oct**



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