



## From the Principal...

Welcome to 2023. As I write this a new group of students have gathered for their orientation into first year. The Lord has been very gracious to us and it is quite a big first year (the final numbers should settle somewhere around 82-84 new faces). This is a marvellous answer to your prayers. There have been many others as well. Thank you for praying.

As we consider the privilege of prayer that is ours as Christians it is helpful to remember the prayers of Jesus. He is, after all, our high priest who intercedes for us in our weakness (Rom. 8:34). He invites us to share his address of God, and enables us, through the Spirit, to speak to him as “our Father” (Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:6). We are told about how at critical points in Jesus’ ministry he withdrew to pray. Some of his prayers were more public and they are recorded for us in the Gospels. But perhaps his very first prayers after he was baptized are not.

Jesus, we are told, was led by the Spirit into the wilderness and over a period of forty days he fasted before being tempted by the devil. Time and again in the Bible fasting and prayer go together: we are told of the faithful person taking time out of the routines of life, including meals, especially to devote themselves to prayer. It is hard to imagine that Jesus did not pray during that period of fasting and preparation. He had just been baptized. The voice from heaven spoke the word of testimony “This is my beloved son, in whom I am well-pleased”. When the temptation came, it would be no surprise that the first words were “If you are the Son of God ...”

Jesus’ prayers throughout the rest of his life give us a good idea what he would have prayed and how he would have prayed. His great concern was to do the will of his Father. He would have sought strength from his Father to persevere in the face of temptation.

As we begin a new year there is no doubt that we need to renew that same determination, to do the will of our great God and Saviour and to persevere in the face of whatever challenges this new year will bring. Would you pray in this way for the College as you pray through this Prayer Bulletin? Thank you.

*Mark Thompson*



## MARCH 2023

Page numbers in brackets after a person's name refer to profiles in SOCIETAS 2022.

### Focus for March:

- **New full-time and part-time students**
- **Moore College Graduation - 20 March**
- **Moore College Missions (Sunday 26 March - Sunday 2 April)**

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### Week 1: Wednesday, 1 March – Sunday, 5 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.
- **Rehan & Kartika Prins (2nd year, p13)** Praise God! He has provided for our every need, given us a precious little girl and enabled me to continue studying in 2023. Pray this year that we would adjust well as parents, and be clear on our priorities as we consider the Lord's calling in our present and future.
- Pray for the many **churches in Sydney and wider afield who will be holding College missions** this year (see back page). Pray for fruitful preparations and particularly that many people in those churches will invite family and friends to come and hear the gospel.

IS **LOVE**  
REALLY ALL  
YOU NEED?

2 PETER 1:7



SPEAKER:  
CHASE KUHN

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

- **Josiah Elsley (2nd year, p11)** Praise God for bringing me through a rocky first year. Give thanks for a refreshing break over the summer. Please pray for my growth in godliness and discipline in both my studies and personal devotion this year.
- Pray for the relationships between **College mission teams and the churches** they will be serving. Pray for effective preparation and planning and for servant hearts among the teams.
- Give thanks for the **appointment of Gabrielle Fury as the new Head Librarian** of the Donald Robinson Library. Pray for Gabrielle as she gets to know the current library team, other staff, faculty and students. Pray for her and the library team as they continue to provide support to the students at College.
- **Prayer Support Group (Monday, 6 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.
- **Andrew & Felicity Leslie (Faculty, p 48)** Please pray that each of our children, William (Yr 8), Tessa (Yr 5), and Hugh (Yr 1), would grow in their knowledge and love for Jesus, and that Felicity would have good opportunities to share her faith in her workplace. Andrew would appreciate prayers for faithful and effective teaching in the classroom that will be a blessing for the students.

**MOORE COLLEGE  
GRADUATION 2023**

20 MARCH 2023 | 7:30-9:30PM

**SPEAKER  
REV DR DONALD WEST**

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

- **Centre for Christian Living event - Is Love really all you need? (15 March, 7:30 - 9:00pm)** Pray for those who attend this event that they would be encouraged and challenged to consider how following Christ leads people into a truly loving existence. Ask that this would be a helpful event for all who attend.
- Please pray for the **College mission teams** and particularly for students finalising sermons and talks for mission. Please pray for safety in travel and for joyful fellowship in the gospel.
- **Ben & Beth Williams (2nd year, p14)** Beth is beginning an MTS apprenticeship this year at Vine Church! Please thank God for this opportunity, and pray that she will adjust well to her new role, serving God faithfully while balancing work and rest. Please also pray that we would love each other sacrificially, particularly with our time.
- Please pray for the **Finance team** as they finalise the College accounts 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, 20 March – Sunday, 26 March

- **Graduation (Monday 20 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 Rev Dr Don West 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 (23 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 Missions to bring many people to himself.
- **Moore College Missions (Sunday 26 March - Sunday 2 April)** Give thanks for the opportunity to hold College missions in many churches. Pray that the gospel would be presented clearly at the various events and that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts of those who attend. Pray for energy and stamina for all those involved. Pray for good rest and eagerness to work hard for the sake of the gospel.
- **Peter & Emma Orr (Faculty, p49)** Please pray for Peter Orr that he would faithfully teach God's Word this year at College. Pray for him, Emma and their sons as they seek to be godly members of their church family at All Saints Petersham. Please pray for Peter's elderly parents in Northern Ireland.

## Focus for April:

- **Easter 7 - 10 April**
- **Library Seminar - 12 April**
- **Mission follow-up**

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## Week 1: Monday, 27 March – Sunday, 2 April

- Pray for all the **mission churches** as they follow up contacts this week. Give thanks for all those who attended events and pray that they will continue to reflect on all they heard and that many might respond in repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- **Chase & Amy Kuhn (Faculty, p48)** Please pray that our family would be a good witness to Christ in the schools and AFL communities we belong to in the Inner West. Please also ask the Lord for strength and wisdom for Chase to complete a book on theological ethics 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.
- **Nikhil & Gemma Kurien (2nd year, p12)** Pray that we continue to grow in our love and knowledge of God during our time at College. Pray that we continue to serve and encourage our church family at Hope Anglican.

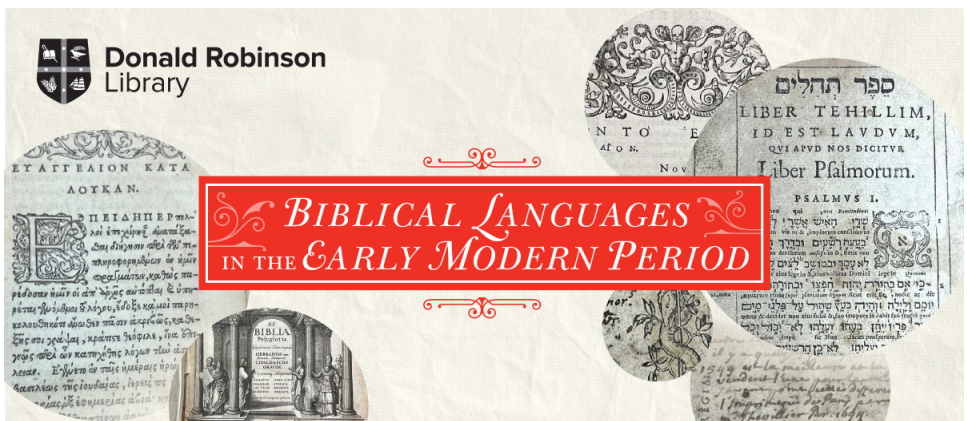
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## Week 2: Monday, 3 April – Sunday, 9 April

- **Noah Gillham (2nd year, p12)** Please thank God with me for the privilege of studying God's Word under and alongside faithful brothers and sisters in Christ. It's my prayer that we students would joyfully, humbly and gratefully grow in Christlikeness this year.
- Pray for **Philip Kern (Faculty, p48)** on study leave this semester. Pray that he might use this break from teaching responsibilities well and make good progress on his research and writing commitments.
- **Easter (7 - 10 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 (3 - 10 April)** Pray that students and Faculty will have a refreshing break, during this time away from the classroom and the normal College activities.

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

- Give thanks for Rowena Razon, **Cleaning Coordinator at College**. Give thanks for her dedication to her work on campus at College. Pray for her as she oversees the cleaning and upkeep of John Chapman House. Pray for her energy and stamina as she cares for a full John Chapman House this year.
- Pray for the **Library Seminar on Biblical Languages in the Early Modern Period (12 April)**. Pray for Douglas Fyfe as he looks at the early modern period and presents an overview of the place of early modern manuscripts in education and the development of versification, and examines several of the early works on display in the Donald Robinson Library.
- 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.
- **Ash & Charles Cleworth (p18)** Praise God for much personal growth over the last six years studying part time, living in College community for three of those. In this second last semester of study, pray that God would be my rock and comfort, and continue to transform me more into the image of His son.



**12 April 2023** | Speaker: Douglas Fyfe

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

- Pray for Caroline Clark, Recruitment Officer at College, as she engages with churches and organisations around Australia about College. Pray that she will have fruitful conversations with rectors around **raising up the next generation** of students.
- The College timetable for this term includes a **Research Week (17 - 21 April)**. Pray that our students will be disciplined and productive as they complete assignments during this non-teaching week.
- 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.
- **Jonty & Olivia Leggett (2nd year, p12)** Please join us in thanking God for his provision in the last year: New friends, financial provision, excellent teaching at College, a supportive community, a wonderful first year of marriage. Please pray for God's strength to love each other and those around us well.

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

- **Tim & Leanne Cornford (2nd year, p11)** We're thankful for the Lord's provision of a new welcoming church community, Ezekiel's (4) new pre-school, Toby's (16) new school, and Mitch's (18) opportunity to do Year 13. As we move away from Caitlin (20) it's a time of substantial change for our family, so please pray that we each grow in the love of the Lord Jesus.
- Praise God for the **generosity of our many supporters** that has enabled scholarships to be awarded to students in 2023 and increased financial support to the College. Please thank God for the new international students accepted for study who have arrived at College.
- Pray that those who invited **friends and family to attend various events** as part of the many College missions might be bold and gracious as they continue to witness to those people about the love of God shown in Christ. Pray that many will put their trust in God as a result.
- Give thanks for **Tom Habib and Susan An**, the new Faculty members who have joined College this year. Praise God for their passion to work with students as they teach and pastorally care for them. Pray that they would continue to settle into their new roles well, and be encouraged by their time at College.

## MAY 2023

### Focus for May:

- **Open events for prospective students 15 - 19 May**
- **Prayer Support Group - 9 May**
- **Moore PTC Graduation - 26 May**

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### Week 1: Monday, 1 May – Sunday, 7 May

- **Term 2 commences (1 May)** Pray that students start the new term refreshed, rested and prepared for the challenges ahead.
- **Samuel & Grace Ogg (2nd year, p13)** Give thanks to God for the past year at Mount Druitt Anglican, where we have been welcomed and grown in understanding ministry in marginalised areas. Please pray that we balance studying and family life and disciple Tommy to know and love Jesus.
- 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 Research Conference** held earlier this year. Pray that this would be used to grow an academic learning community of reformed, evangelical and complementarian women.
- 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.

**2023 OPEN WEEK**  
**15-19 MAY**

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## Week 2: Monday, 8 May – Sunday, 14 May

- **Open Week (15 -19 May) and Open Night (15 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 (8 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. 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.

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## Week 3: Monday, 15 May – Sunday, 21 May

- **Paul & Cathy Grimmond (Faculty, p48)** Pray for wisdom for Cathy and I to work out how to use our time wisely for the sake of the gospel as we enter a new phase of life with all of our children finished at school and only one now living at home.
- 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.
- **Angelina Chua (3rd year, p21)** Give thanks to God for another year of being able to study at College and the opportunity to serve at a new church. Pray that I will be diligent with service, and loving my family and studies, while growing in patience and wisdom as I approach a decision-making period of my life.

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## Week 4: Monday, 22 May – Wednesday, 31 May

- **PTC Graduation (26 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.
- 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.
- Pray for those in the College community that have **student minister positions**, alongside their studies. Pray that these positions would enable students to gain knowledge and experience in different settings, and that they would be informative as they consider future ministries.
- 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. Give thanks for the many partners and for their desire to see God's people equipped for ministry throughout the world.

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## Personal Prayer Notes

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# MOORE COLLEGE MISSIONS 2023

<b>Mission Location</b>	<b>Faculty &amp; Chaplains</b>
<b>Bathurst Cathedral</b>	<b>Andrew Leslie &amp; Joan Young</b>
<b>Alice Springs Anglican</b>	<b>David Höhne &amp; Louise Cunningham</b>
<b>Tamworth, St Pauls</b>	<b>George Athas &amp; Sarah Seabrook</b>
<b>The Lakes Evangelical Church</b>	<b>Andrew Shead &amp; Ruth Sheath</b>
<b>Lismore, Southern Cross Presbyterian</b>	<b>Chase Kuhn &amp; Jane Tooher</b>
<b>Sans Souci Anglican</b>	<b>Chris Conyers &amp; Emily Gilmour</b>
<b>Wahroonga Anglican</b>	<b>Dan Wu &amp; Julia Williams</b>
<b>Albion Park Anglican</b>	<b>Paul Grimmond &amp; Jocelyn Loane</b>
<b>Jamberoo Anglican</b>	<b>Lionel Windsor &amp; Susan An</b>
<b>Ministry amongst Muslims</b>	<b>Peter Orr &amp; Isobel Lin</b>
<b>Lalor Park/Seven Hills Anglican</b>	<b>Mark Earngey &amp; Cate Hong</b>
<b>Blacktown/ Doonside Anglican</b>	<b>Tom Habib &amp; Anna Hu</b>
<b>Mt Druitt/ Oakhurst Anglican</b>	<b>Archie Poulos &amp; Sarah Sholl</b>
<b>Minchinbury/ Rooty Hill Anglican</b>	<b>Paul Williamson &amp; Emily Deller</b>

