



# From the Principal...

Of late I've found it helpful to pray the Lord's Prayer a little differently to the way I have in the past. It's just a matter of emphasis and so it might sound no different at all to anyone listening in. I've been emphasising the word 'your' whenever it appears. "Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven."

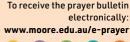
What this little tweak has helped me to remember is that it is God's name, his reputation, that matters, not mine, nor even that of the ministry in which I serve. It is God's kingdom that matters, not the petty little kingdoms we each tend to carve out for ourselves in different ways, even in Christian ministry. He is the Lord of all, and it is his rule that must be acknowledged. And it is God's will that must be done. It is, effortlessly and without resistance, in heaven. It is of paramount importance that it should be so on earth as well.

At the other end of the prayer, "for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours" reminds us that we are not asking anything for him that is not already his by right. The kingdom was never mine to give him, neither do I have any power in myself to bring about his will. Above all, I can never add to or augment his glory. He is supremely glorious. He was in the beginning. He will be at the end.

When God himself becomes a focus of our prayers in this way it changes the way we pray about everything else. Our Father's name is honoured as we pray for those who lead us. Our Father's kingdom is extended as we pray for those who do not yet know him. Our Father's will is brought into effect as we pray for our daily walk of discipleship and that of those closest to us.

As you pray for Moore College — and we are so grateful that you do — remember how the College too fits within this pattern. We exist to see his name honoured rather than our own. We exist to see his kingdom extended, not to carve out a kingdom of our own. We exist to make known his will, and to follow his will ourselves, so ultimately all glory is given to him. I hope you find this issue of the Prayer Bulletin helpful.

Mark Thompson











# September 2022

Page numbers in brackets after a person's name refer to profiles in SOCIETAS 2022 (due to be released this month).

## Focus for September:

- New students for 2023
- Spring Break 3 -11 September
- Donald Robinson Library Seminar 14 September

# Week 1: Thursday, 1 September - Sunday, 4 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 reguarly.
- Mark Chen & June Zhu (2<sup>nd</sup> year) Give thanks for the recovery of our illness (Samuel my son and June have been quite sick in previous weeks). Please pray for the multiple assignments I have due in a few weeks' time and my responsibility for family alongside studies.
- Pray for **students studying with young families** at home. Pray for patience and energy as they juggle their studies and raising children. Pray that they would seek many opportunities in daily life to share and teach the gospel of Christ.
- David & Amelia Höhne (Faculty, p48) Please join us in giving thanks for the marriage of our daughter Anna on the 20th of August, the celebration of joining two families together and the opportunity to look forward to the heavenly banquet for Christ and his bride. Please also give thanks for the provision of full-time care for Amelia's mother and her resettling in a nursing home. Please pray for Amelia as she leads a team of Anglicare ESL coordinators who serve the parishes of Sydney Diocese. Pray for them as they develop materials for training ESL teachers in local churches, supporting their mission in the local area. Please pray for me (David) as I encourage the Heads of Department towards introducing the new combined BTh/ThM programme for students training at Moore for four years.

## Week 2: Monday, 5 September - Sunday, 11 September

- **Spring Break (3-11 September)** Please pray that this will be a refreshing break for students and Faculty. Please pray for those in the College community who are unable to be with family and friends during this time.
- Give thanks for the opportunity to engage with prospective students at **Open Night (29 August)**. Pray that God will raise up many **new students** to study at College, to be equipped for his harvest field in Australia and around the world. Give thanks for those future students who have already made the decision to study with us at College in 2023.
- **Chris Thomson (Faculty, p49)** Please pray that Chris's love would abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight so that he may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.
- Martin & Emma Robinson (PhD, p18) Thank God for sustaining us through a few months with lots of sickness. Pray for motivation in the final stretch of PhD, and for wisdom as we make decisions about next year and beyond.



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# Week 3: Monday, 12 September - Sunday, 18 September

- **Term 4 commences (12 September)** Please pray for energy and enthusiasm for all students as they return for the final term of the year.
- Donald Robinson Library Seminar The Mothers' Union and the Ministry of Lay Women (14 September) Pray for Jane Tooher (Director of the Priscilla & Aquila Centre) as she prepares and finalises her presentation for this event. Pray that those who attend will be encouraged in their faith and ministries as the seminar and exhibition highlight the different ways in which lay women have influenced Australian Christianity.
- **Jade and Karen Hajj (3<sup>rd</sup> year, p32)** Give thanks to God for sustaining our family through a season of poor health. Please pray for quick healing and renewed energy and excitement for studies and life.
- Pray in thanks for the Finance Department. Please pray that as they improve some aspects
  of their accounting software and change some of their processes they would continue to
  be wise stewards of College resources. Pray also as the detailed budget is complied for 2023
  that all financial aspects of the College will be considered and wise decisions made in the
  allocation of resources.



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## Week 4: Monday, 19 September - Sunday, 25 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.
- Paolo Santillan (1st year, p13) Thank God that I have had some more clarity in terms of how long I should study and being ok with that. Thank God for some brothers in my cohort who have just been so helpful to me. Pray that I would have more opportunities to serve next year as I finish my diploma and that I would not to forget my godliness as I look for some positions next year.
- Give thanks for the recent GAFCON Australasia Conference in August and for the
  opportunity it provides to bring many like-minded people together to proclaim Christ
  faithfully. Give thanks for those from Moore College who attended and presented at the
  conference. Pray for all those who attended, that they would be encouraged in their faith
  and ministries.
- Gordon Cain Academic Support Officer and Curriculum Designer, The Centre for Global Mission (p18) Give thanks that more students are asking more questions and coming to me more often. Pray for wisdom in how best to serve the students and how to meet their varied needs. Also please ask for wisdom and skill in writing resources. Ask the Father to give me wisdom, skill, and his blessing to help me and Malcolm Richards produce materials to help train low-literacy pastors effectively.



# October 2022

#### Focus for October:

- Day of Prayer 13 October
- P&A Seminar 16 October
- Online and Community Courses

# Week 1: Monday, 26 September - Sunday, 2 October

- Pray for Faculty members **Mark Earngey and Lionel Windsor on study leave.** Pray that this time would be fruitful as they spend time away from their regular teaching and pastoral roles at College.
- Andrew & Sophie Stanford (2<sup>nd</sup> year, p24) Praise God for his kindness in giving us the
  time and energy to study, work, serve and rest in Him. Please pray for wisdom in moving
  on from serving at East Lindfield at the end of the year, particularly in ensuring the youth
  are looked after.
- Give thanks for Elisabeth Arnett as she retires from being executive assistant to the
  principal after 19 years. Give thanks for her many years of faithful service to the College,
  and for her devotion to seeing the name of Christ made known throughout Australia and
  the world.
- **David & Madeleine Harrington (3**rd year, p32) Please thank God for the Moore College community and growing friendships. Our family has been getting sick pretty regularly. We would love prayer for health and energy. Also, please pray that we would keep loving each other well at this time.

# Week 2: Monday, 3 October - Sunday, 9 October

- We thank God for the wonderful kitchen team who commit themselves to safely
  providing healthy and delicious meals. Many of the team have family overseas so we pray
  for their families especially since Covid has prevented them from being able to visit for
  several years.
- Give thanks for the many **online and face-to-face part-time students** at Moore College and for their commitment to growing in their knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. Pray that their studies would be a blessing to their current and future ministries.
- **Peter & Leah Blake (3<sup>rd</sup> year, p31)** Thank God for his kindness shown to us, especially this year, in giving us our first child, William, and giving us friends and family who help us as we raise him. Please pray for evangelism opportunities in Mum and Dad groups.
- The College timetable for this term includes a Research Week (3 7 Oct). Pray that our students will be disciplined and productive as they complete assignments during this nonteaching week.

# Week 3: Monday, 10 October - Sunday, 16 October

- **Day of Prayer (13 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.
- 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 in Jesus.
- James & Ally Russell (2<sup>nd</sup> year, p23) Thank God for the many things I have been learning
  at College and at Stanhope Anglican Church. Pray that I will grow in my love of God and
  my zeal to make him known.
- **P&A Seminar Proverbs 31 (12 October)** Give thanks for the men and women who are gathering today to hear Andrew Heard speak on Proverbs 31. Pray for those who attend, that they would be encouraged to think about what this part of the Bible has to say about what it means to be men and women today.

## Week 4: Monday, 17 October - Sunday, 23 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.
- Give thanks for the Centre for Christian Living (CCL) Seminar on Vengeance in their Commanding the Heart series. Pray for Andrew Errington as he prepares to present.
   Pray for those who attend, that they would be encouraged to live out their faith as they consider how Jesus transofrms expectations and the pursuit of justice, leading people away from vengeance.
- Phil & Margaret Chapman (1st year, p18) Give thanks to God for the opportunity to study
  the Advanced Diploma. Please pray I will complete my studies well and adjust to my new
  ministry role in a community services organisation.
- **Simon & Margie Gillham (Faculty, p48)** Pray that Simon and Margie would quickly settle into their new church family and that these would be relationships of great mutual encouragement. Pray too that they would continue to find great joy and satisfaction in their ministry roles, as they grow in love for God and others.

## Week 5: Monday, 24 October - Sunday, 30 October

- Please pray for the Moore PTC students, that they would be sharing their knowledge of the
  grace of Christ with those around them. Please pray for Moore PTC Staff Juliette Antoon
  and Susanna So to exemplify Christ while serving PTC students and administering course
  delivery and development. Please pray for perseverance and energy to progress the PTC
  rewriting project, publishing and various initiatives. Pray also that an upcoming market
  research survey will give useful feedback to assist future planning.
- Give thanks for those students who have finalised **ministry positions** for 2023. 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.
- **Jeremy Fox (2<sup>nd</sup> year, p22)** Thank God that He has grown and sustained me during the first 1.5 years of study. Please pray for personal prayerfulness, godliness, joyfulness in studies, and organisation and discipline for upcoming deadlines. Thanks for your prayers.
- 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.
- Give thanks for the **alumni of College**. Pray that God would sustain them in the roles and ministries that they are involved in, and that they would continue to love and serve Christ wherever they are.

#### Focus for November:

- Stuvac 31 October 3 November
- Students sitting exams 4 10 November
- Final Friday 11 November

# Week 1: Monday, 31 October - Sunday, 6 November

- **Stuvac (31 October 3 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 learned and that all, particularly those who find exams stressful, might know the peace of God at this time.
- **Michael & Jennifer Leong (MTh, p18)** Thank God for the guests who've joined CrossLife Church recently pray that we may be a blessing to them. Pray also that in my studies God will grant me wisdom and insight into the words to write that will give Him the most glory.
- 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.
- **Kathryn & Hayden Greathead (1st year, p12)** We've moved from Queensland this year and are so thankful for the love and kindness shown to us by other students and staff as we've settled in. Please thank God for this! Please pray for us, that we might continually grow in our love for God through what we're learning.

# Week 2: Monday, 7 November - Sunday, 13 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 (11 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.
- Maddie Gillham (1st year, p12) Thank God that he has been growing youth group at my
  church and working in the lives of those who were already there. Please pray as we try to
  care for more kids and particularly try to include those from non-church backgrounds.
- Andrew & Merryn Court (PhD, p18) Thanks for regular joys: fun with family, lecturing
  Greek, time to read and discover, warm friendships. Pray for the ability to put competing
  goods out of mind while focusing on PhD research. Pray that my thinking about wealth in
  Luke would be of benefit beyond the academic world.

# Week 3: Monday, 14 November - Sunday, 20 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.
- Lucy Langfield (1st year, p12) Praise God for the opportunity to study at College, a great church family and lots of relationships. Pray that I'd be a good steward of my time, be diligent, make the most of the opportunities here and depend on God in it all.
- Matt & Cassia De Siqueira Iglesias (2<sup>nd</sup> year, p18) Thank God for the opportunity to study his word. Pray for Christian Surfers in Maroubra (@cs\_maroubra), for new leaders and for opportunities to serve the surfing community and share the good news of Jesus.
- Give great thanks to God for all his **provision and sustaining of the College**. Pray that students would continue growing in their knowdge, love and faith in God this year. Pray that God will continue to provide for the College throughout the rest of the year and into 2023.

# Week 4: Monday, 21 November - Monday, 27 November

- Max & Kate Brewer (3<sup>rd</sup> year, p31) Praise God for the birth of our second daughter, Sadie. Please pray for us as we adjust to becoming a family of 4, and as we navigate church and study in this season.
- 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 **new mums** and their babies at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. Give thanks for
  the opportunities that many in our community have had to be a part of this ministry on
  behalf of Mothers' Union over many years, and for those who have made the gifts they
  give the women. Pray that this ministry might be able to resume after Covid restrictions
  have disallowed it.
- Pray for the 2023 Priscilla & Aquila conference, and for those organising the event.
   Pray also for Gary and Fiona Millar as they prepare to give the main talks on Lazy
   Complementarianism, particularly looking at leadership, relationships and church family life.

**Personal Prayer Notes** 



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# **LAZY COMPLEMENTARIANISM**

A FRESH LOOK AT LEADERSHIP, RELATIONSHIPS AND CHURCH FAMILY LIFE



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