**DEC 25:** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Might God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9:6-7

# DEC 26: LISA MUMBIN, NOEL MCDONALD & DAVID HUGHES, KATHERINE NT:

Thank God for the faithful ministry these leaders have exercised over many years. Pray they will remain strong in their faith and will stay close to Jesus through His Word. Ask God to speak to hearts and draw many to Himself in and around Katherine. Pray that they will work together to have a strong witness to the town and communities around them, especially during this holiday period.

# DEC 27: JOCELYN MCCARTNEY & ANITA PAINTER BARUNGA. NT:

Pray that the Christians will grow strong together as God's family, and will be faithful in serving Him. Pray that they will stand strong for what is right and not be pushed or manipulated into the wishes or ways of others. Ask God to bring others to Himself and into this fellowship.

### **DEC 28: KATHY BIRD. GILGANDRA. NSW:**

Our services are going well – praise the Lord. Please pray for Phyllis' son Heath, who had his leg amputated below the knee recently. He is recovering well and has made a commitment to the Lord, Jesus Christ. Hallelujah! We pray also, that you all will delight in God, as we do, over this festive season.

#### **DEC 29: TENNANT CREEK. NT:**

Continue praying that members will grow in grace and love for Jesus. Pray too, for Raymond and Thelma Dixon's broader family in Marlinja as they grieve the death of Richard's brother.

## **DEC 30: PETER & LEANNE SMITH, TINONEE, NSW:**

Thank you all so much for joining with AIM in prayer this year in the vital work of bringing the gospel to indigenous people and strengthening AIM churches. We depend on God alone, for he is the one that starts the good work in people's hearts and brings the salvation we all need. Give honour and praise to His glorious and holy Name!

**DEC 31:** Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice! Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually! Psalm 105:1-4

#### **JANUARY 2023:**

Please pray through these prayers again in January – God bless.

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AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS MINISTRIES DEC 2022 & JAN 2023 PRAYER **PARTNERSHIP** Thankyou for praying for the Indigenous Church. Worship the LORD in the splendour of holiness: tremble before him, all the earth; yes the whole world is established; it shall never be moved. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!

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### **DEC 1: MARTIN & ROSE EBEL (NAJWA), WOORABINDA QLD:**

Martin had a number of seizures on the 17th of November. Hence his medications have increased. He can no longer swallow and sleeps most of the day. Please uphold Martin as the cancer takes its deteriorating course. Give thanks that the family are wholly committed to the Lord; that they are positive and know that the Lord is holding them in his loving arms and that he will never leave them nor forsake them.

#### **DEC 2: CAMOOWEAL, QLD:**

School finishes for Thelma today. Pray that the children will not forget her godly influence. Pray also that God will wake up the community to realize their desperate need of a Saviour. Remember the faithful five who love the Lord and gather together for worship. Ask too, that the Lord would bring much needed rain.

# DEC 3: ROB & JENNI ALLEY (MIRIAM KATIE AND ISAAC) ACROSS THE DIVIDE, TAREE NSW:

Praise God for the opportunity to attend the National Training Event in Canberra from the 3rd-6th December. Over 1000 university students will be attending from all over the country and the Pacific. Pray for good conversations and discipleship opportunities.

#### **DEC 4: OUTREACH. PILLIGA. NSW:**

Pray for godly enthused preparation for Ike Gordon and Henry Louie and the team as they seek the Lord's help to evangelise the people of Pilliga over the 14th and 15th of January.

### **DEC 5: DAVID & ROSE COX, DUBBO NSW:**

Men's and ladies Bible studies are winding down to recommence in the New Year. Flood waters have surrounded Condobolin, so services there have been curtailed currently. Give thanks to the LORD for his steadfast love endures forever!

## **DEC 6: PETER & KAREN DIXON, TENNANT CREEK NT:**

Pray for the Community Carols by Candlelight we hope the local Council will sponsor on December 11. Pray for a good end to the school term and for the right staff for next year. Pray that we will be good helpers for the church and AIM. And that we might be able to visit Sydney after Christmas Day.

## **DEC 7: RONI & YANE DAMANIK (RYAN & EDITH), WYEE NSW:**

Give thanks to God for the opportunity to celebrate his love in that he sent his only Son into this fallen world to save sinners! May people be struck by his love, mercy and goodness and think deeply about their response to the one and only Saviour, Jesus Christ.

## DEC 8: BOB & LUCY QUINN, CAMPBELLTOWN, NSW:

It is with some sadness we are resigning from AIM to work full time with Pioneers. We are grateful for all your faithful prayers over the years, and praise God for his provision. We are still planning to work with First Nations people, but in a different context. Please pray for clear direction for the future.

#### **DEC 9: IKE & EILEEN GORDON. BREWARRINA NSW:**

Brothers and sisters, pray for the flood affected community's in Brewarrina, Bourke & Weilmoringle amongst other places. Pray also for Aunty Phillis Cubby of Goodooga, who has been very sick with heart trouble.

#### **DEC 10: KATHY BIRD, GILGANDRA, NSW:**

Please remember our 'Carols in the Park' tomorrow evening. Pray that people will be touched by the Lord. There has been two new commitments to Jesus; ask that we will be faithful in nurturing them.

### **DEC 11: TENNANT CREEK, NT:**

Pray for the Christmas service in the church and our part in the Carols by Candlelight tonight, using our music equipment. Ask that the Lord will open hearts, speak too many, and bring permanent change in the people.

## **DEC 12: YOUNG & EUNICE LEE, TAREE NSW:**

I pray that I can be spiritually and physically recharged during the long summer school holidays. Pray that in the coming year, I will be drawn ever closer to the I ord.

#### **DEC 13: VINCENT CHARLIE, BORROLOOLA NT:**

Pray that the believers in Borroloola will mature in their Christian faith and walk with Jesus wholeheartedly. Ask God to protect them from those who come with twisted teaching and try to push into leadership. Continue to ask God to raise up others who can share in the leadership with Vincent.

## DEC 14: HENRY, MARIA LOUIE (& JOSH), PILLIGA, NSW:

Please pray today as Henry conducts a Christmas service, followed by a luncheon for up to 28 families. This stems from the children coming to the Kids Clubs supported by Sydney based Koreans. Pray that the Lord will have equipped Henry with the right passage to preach and also opened hearts to respond positively. May there be much fruit as the Holy Spirit moves and the church swelling with new members.

## **DEC 15: CANTEEN CREEK, NT:**

Please pray that this community continues to be a safe, alcohol-free place for people to live. Pray for all to value and respect each other and for the Christians to be a light and a blessing. Ask for wisdom for those who lead and for the right couple to apply for the position of CEO. Pray that Christmas activities help people to know God's love for us in sending his son.

# **DEC 16:** PAUL, ERIN, GRACE, REUBEN, MALEAH, SETH & SHAUNEISHA STRAHAN, MOREE NSW:

Pray for our children as they finish their school work for the year. Grace goes into Year 10 next year. Pray for Paul's health, particularly that God would help keep his blood pressure down. Pray that God would bring people to Moree to serve the local people.

#### **DEC 17: RICHARD AND SUE DAVIES. COOTAMUNDRA NSW:**

Pray that with all the distractions of living back home we will stay focussed on the translation work: that the publication of the Plain English Version will go through. Pray too, that the Lord will call more people to use their gifts, training & professions to support Aboriginal people & communities.

# DEC 18: HAROLD & KAYE DALYWATERS ELLIOTT NT, RAYMOND & THELMA DIXON. MARLINJA NT:

Please pray for us as we continue in fellowship. Pray too, for new folk to join with us. Pray also for the Dixons in Marlinja. Ask for good health and a blessing for Christmas holidays and remember families grieving in Flliott

## DEC 19: ROCKHAMPTON QLD, LESLEY POWER, DAVID CHAMBERS AND JANDALYN MITCHELL:

Giving thanks for our speakers and those that have been coming faithfully to all the meetings .Pray for our Sunday school children and teachers and RI in the schools. Praise for the faithfulness of our God and the privilege of visitations. Remember the families that are having a rough time.

#### **DEC 20:** HENRY, MARIA LOUIE (& JOSH), PILLIGA, NSW:

Henry and Maria are to visit Pilliga and Baradine today, conducting Christmas services also. Pray that the Holy Spirit will move once more amongst the 25 families adding many to the church. Pray that God will be glorified as he encourages, blesses and brings people to himself.

## **DEC 21: RHONDA COATS, DARWIN NT:**

Thank God for the many contacts Rhonda has had with local Aboriginal people as well as with those from other AIM centres throughout the year. Pray that she will continue to challenge people about having a relationship with Jesus and seek to encourage and build up the believers God brings her way over the holiday period. Pray that she might enjoy a renewal of strength in readiness for the New Year.

## DEC 22: RONI & YANE DAMANIK (RYAN & EDITH), WYEE NSW:

Please pray that the New Year will bring glory to God as we seek to serve him faithfully amongst the indigenous people of this great southern land of Australia.

## **DEC 23: IKE & EILEEN GORDON, BREWARRINA NSW:**

Continue to pray for our youth leaders; Doug, Matty, Rikkia, Tamika and Bradley who are doing a great work for the Lord. They have about 70 children attending youth group. Also pray for our church in Brewarrina.

# **DEC 24:** ROB & JENNI ALLEY (MIRIAM KATIE AND ISAAC) ACROSS THE DIVIDE, TAREE NSW:

Please pray for an effective time of building and completing the trailer over the next few months. Please be in prayer for us in our ministry - we are exploring what the future holds for us and covet God's wisdom and discernment.