



PRAYER POINTS



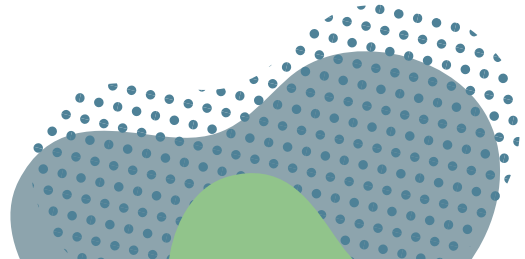
**Not to us, Lord, not to us
but to your name be the glory,
because of your love and faithfulness.**

Psalm 115:1

Praise points:

- Praise God for the work He is faithfully doing in and through the lives of many women in diverse roles around Australia as they engage the world with the gospel.
- Give thanks for the progress in developing the new ADM Strategic Plan and the many encouraging consultations, meetings and discussions with Christian women and church leaders around Australia.
- Praise God for His promise to always be with His people and how this has been the sustaining force in the lives of many of the elderly deaconesses & retired deacons, and their stories of hardship as well as true joy.
- Praise God for the launch of the Graduate Certificate of Pastoral care for Mental Health launching in semester 2. We are so grateful for the work of so many to see this course come together and for the response we have had so far from potential students. We pray for Keith as he is preparing for all the content for this unit which starts at the end of July. Pray that this will equip women & men to serve more effectively in church, ministry and professional contexts.
- Give thanks for progress being made in a new online course for regular Christian believers, "Press On: Building Resilience & Mental Wellbeing". Pray that this will be ready to launch for Mental Health Month in October.
- Give thanks to God for His work at MAC throughout this semester. We are grateful for friendships formed and knowledge gained by our students in semester 1.

Prayer points:

- Please continue to pray for ADM in developing a new strategic plan for 2022-2027.
 - As we prayerfully consider what God would have us do as an organisation, please pray for wisdom, creativity and a strong foundation in the gospel for all that we plan and implement for the next five years.
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- Pray for our 2021 Fellows as they work from home during the lockdown, that they would find creative ways to continue the encouragement and community they have together as a cohort. Also, pray for them as they start to receive increased opportunities to speak and write for bigger audiences, that they would be faithful witnesses to Jesus. Give thanks for Lily Strachan's talk at KCC's Onward Conference and Stephanie Kate Judd's appearance on John Dickson's Undeceptions podcast.
- Pray for women in ministry roles in our churches as they navigate continuing their ministries during lockdown – with online services and bible studies, and often increased pastoral care load. Pray that our God would give them great peace during this time of uncertainty and the constantly changing environment, and deep encouragement in Jesus as they continue to serve Him
- Give thanks for the retired deacons and deaconesses and their years of faithful service. Pray that as many of them experience illness, decline and increasing isolation, that their confidence in Christ's care and the promised resurrection, will reflect God's faithfulness & bring honour to the Lord Jesus
- Pray for the twenty-two grantees of the Aboriginal Women in Ministry Support Scheme as they continue to serve Christ across this country. Pray that they would continue to be encouraged and strengthened as they minister in places of great need, and as they continue to love and care for their communities. Pray for their safety during lockdowns and ongoing COVID outbreaks, and give thanks for the many ways in which they courageously use their skills and gifts to share the love of God wherever they go.
- Pray for Dr Wilma Gallet and the Restoring Sanctuary team as they continue to share the Sanctuary Approach with churches nationwide. Pray that they will continue to have opportunities to equip churches and church leaders in responding to domestic and family violence, and in being places of sanctuary for victim-survivors. Give thanks for the workshops and conversations that have already taken place, and pray that future workshops will not be disrupted by Covid-19 outbreaks.

