

# St Paul's and St Luke's Prayer Collective

## Our link to You



Saved by Jesus Christ  
Growing in Jesus Christ  
Proclaiming Jesus Christ

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light." Ephesians 5:8

### Prayer Points....

- Thank you for the leadership and faithful ministry of Darrell, Chuck, Isaac and Di. We pray that you give them energy, wisdom and a deep sense of connection to you and to others, in this time of isolation. May they feel encouraged by the faithful, loving service of those in our parish, particularly LIAISE and our tech crew.
- Pray for our overarching 'Seeing Jesus Clearly' Year of Evangelism across the diocese, that even with the current social restrictions, we will continue to find ways of reaching out to those who don't know you. Pray too for the parish of Boggabilla who are accessing online services from larger parishes and for Boggabri Parish as they continue to connect with schools through SRE online.
- Praise God that we are tentatively planning to gather together in October for our annual Parish Retreat. Pray that the restrictions will have eased enough for the retreat to go ahead, for Keith McPherson as he plans the talks and that St Paul's and St Luke's will embrace the opportunity to come together in fellowship, once more.
- Those in sickness or trouble: Andrew Alexander, Peter Anderson, Megan Brown, Doris Campbell, Donna Condon, Naomi Danaher, Sophie Doran, Alice Eather, David & Marie Eather, Vic & Annie Garland, Alan Hartigan, Nick Lynch-Whitten, Diane Mason, Joyce Page, Bev Pitcher, Sam Pollard, Betty Rock, Becca Simpson, Jenny Simpson, Suzanne Turner & others that we know.

### Prayer for our Missionaries

**Dene, Rachel, Simeon and  
Elliott Hughes - CMS,  
Amagasaki Japan**

Thank the Lord for the encouraging numbers with online meetings and the success of the Kansai Christian Women's Conference held online.

Pray for wisdom for in dealing with the easing of restrictions and decisions to be made regarding the format of upcoming events and Summer camps.

*During my prayer time this week, I found myself reflecting on Darrell's sermon as he encouraged us to reflect on how well we know God. Darrell reminded us that the 12 apostles were **chosen** by God for intensive, specialised training under the Lordship of his son, Jesus Christ. Throughout the Bible we see God choose the nation of Israel, not through anything they had done, but by his love and grace. Jesus chose his disciples as the leaders of his church, and we too are chosen through His Holy Spirit to know and be known by our Lord. I don't know about you, but it brings me to my knees to know, that of all the people he could have chosen, he chose to reveal himself to me, he chose **us** to be His, in this place, in this parish together as members of St Paul's and St Luke's.*

*What an amazing, gracious, loving God we have! As you pray this week, may I encourage you to reflect on who He is and what He has done for you. In the words of a song by Michael W. Smith, he is our Waymaker, miracle worker, promise keeper and light in the darkness. He is working in our lives, even when we can't see it, when we can't feel it, even now through this Coronavirus.*

*Let's reflect together on the privilege that is ours to be chosen by God to be his people and pray for those around us. Pray specifically for even a couple of people that you know, that like us, they may know the love of God, the **living** sacrifice that Jesus has made for fallen humanity, and that they too may know the great I AM as their Waymaker, miracle worker, promise keeper and light in the darkness.*

*If you would like to listen to this song, please click on the following link:*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE\\_M9noEhNE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE_M9noEhNE)