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AUSTRALIA AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA REGION

Regional Director: Sue Dight

Welcome to the August 2023 edition of the Mission to Seafarers Monthly Prayer Diary.



This month we are praying for the work in the Australia and Papua New Guinea Region.

The Prayer requests have been prepared by the Regional Director, Sue Dight.

Sue writes:

The Australia region includes mainland Australia, Tasmania and Papua New Guinea. We operate 26 centres, most of which offer a full range of facilities to seafarers. They are run variously by volunteers, managers, chaplains and honorary chaplains. Two more centres are planned. Where there are ports with no centres, our volunteers ship visit in person, often offering lifts to either nearby centres or other local facilities. We have no centres in PNG currently, but our chaplains are available for ship visits and seafarer support on request.

August

Tue 1st Colleen Donovan and the volunteer team in **Albany** Wed 2nd Beryl Osborne and the ecumenical team in **Bell Bay** Thur 3rd Capt Ross Nicholls, Rev Ian McGilvray, Rev Stephen Briggs and Heather Turner in Brisbane Fri 4th Very Revd Darryl Cotton in Bunbury Sat 5th Kirby Cunningham in Burnie Sun 6th Come Holy Father and bless the work of the MTS as we seek your will. May our post COVID activity be renewed with strong vision and courage as we dare to follow your will. Help us to continue to be faithful to the values of the MTS and determined to serve our Seafarers in loving and life giving ways. We ask all these things through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, Amen. Mon 7th Chaplain Revd Steve Combe in Dampier Tues 8th Manager Ms Mary Martin and volunteer team in Darwin Wed 9th Manager Fred Lochowicz and Rev Frank

Rowe in Esperance

Thur 10th Chaplain Revd Dennis Claughton and Manager Jimmy in Fremantle

Fri 11th Chaplain Revd Noah Park in Geelong

Sat 12th Chaplain Revd Peter Schendzielovz in Geraldton

Sun 13th A prayer for Hastings, Victoria. Dear Lord, we ask You to take into your care & protection all seafarers away from home and loved ones and to help us volunteers to show that love and care in everything we do to serve them. Amen.

Thank God for the 150 years of service in Newcastle this year and pray for God's guidance and blessing in the years to come. Amen.

Mon 14th The volunteer team in Gladstone

Tue 15th Chair Shirley Bondfield and the volunteer team in Hastings

Wed 16th Dion Dillon and Revd Lee Weissel in Hobart

Thur 17th Chaplains Rev Onofre Punay and Rev Heidin Kunoo in Melbourne

Fri 18th Senior Chaplain Rev Garry Dodd in Newcastle

Sat 19 th	Lay Chaplain June Harrison in Port Giles and Hon Chaplain Carol Fort in Port Adelaide
Sun 20 th	Please pray for volunteers operating the Mission Centre at Berth 9 Port of Townsville; and guide the committee as they seek new team members for our work. Amen
Mon 21st	Lay Chaplain John Kewa in Port Hedland
Tue 22 nd	Marianne Whybrow in Port Latta
Wed 23 rd	Trevor Rowe in Port Lincoln
Thur 24 th	Lay Chaplain Ian Pole in Port Pirie
Fri 25 th	Manager Neville Manson in Portland and Chris Bingham and Rev Chris Duff in Eden
Sat 26 th	Principal Chaplain Rev Un Tay in Sydney
Sun 27 th	Please pray for the newly revived ministry in Port Adelaide as we grow our volunteer network and care to the crews that visit our port. Amen.
Mon 28 th	Hon Chaplain Revd Susan Doughty in Thevenard
Tue 29 th	Manager Graham Miller in Townsville
Wed 30 th	Planned centre volunteer team in Devonport
Thur 31st	Hon Chaplain Fr Alfred Guda in Papua New Guinea