

PRAYER CALENDAR

ACMissionNZ Mission Statement: Advent Christian Missions New Zealand exists to support worldwide, outreach ministries of the Advent Christian General Conference, with particular emphasis on ministries in the Asia-Pacific region.

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India | Rejoice

Please rejoice with the Yesuway Jeevan Mission team, that by God's grace and because of continuing, quiet consultation by Mission Manager Immanuel and FBHC President Rev. A. Jerald and with the cooperation of the respective leaders and members of the congregations of two FBHC churches in the south of the Tamil Nadu State, and with some assistance from the local authorities, the churches at Kodaikanal and Periyakulam have been restored to the control of the Fellowship, and new pastors have been appointed and accepted by the congregations.

Please pray for these two newly appointed pastors – T Daniel and Jebakodi Muruthuraj and their families and the church members, as they come back into the fold of the Fellowship of Blessed Hope Churches once again, and pray that their witness in their respective towns will be blessed by the Lord.

Tuesday 6th February 2018

THAILAND | Leadership and Ministries

Pray for the continued provision of the Lord's power, grace, guidance and finances for the Ministry in Thailand. Thank the Lord for the increase in the number of adults attending the Sunday morning worship services and for the following that makes the ministry possible:

- Maeo's commitment to allow her property and its wonderful facilities to be the centre of the ministry which she and John developed over many years.
- Pastor Boonta's availability to teach and preach from God's Word.
- Ploy, Parn and Lita, with their abilities and commitment to using them to serve their Lord, and their willingness to spend considerable time and effort in planning, preparing and carrying out the various activities, and leading and encouraging the other three girls who are also critical for the ongoing ministry. Please thank and praise the Lord that the three younger girls – Job, Kaew (pronounced "gow") and Guitar - committed their lives to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord earlier this year. Please pray that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of their Lord. Kaew has moved to Bangkok for study – please pray especially that her faith will remain strong.
- Commit to the Lord additional financial needs which need to be met in the future. Thank the Lord that a much more reliable replacement 10 seat van (2009 Toyota Hiace) has been purchased for transporting the children and young people. They are paying it off at ThB9721 (NZ\$405) per month.

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INDIA | YJM | Shelter Trust

Pray for Director **Rev. Solomon Raj** and his team of dedicated helpers, asking that the Lord will strengthen him and enable him to fulfil his calling to bring LOVE, LIFE and LAUGHTER to those in the hostel's care. Pray for the 48 orphan children and young people, all of whom have AIDS or are HIV Positive that they will know the joy of the Lord and walk with Him all the days of their lives. Pray that the Indian government will provide sufficient drugs to allow for proper treatment of all those in their care. Thank the Lord for continuing financial support from some AC churches in the United States.

You can see photos of some of the children here:

<https://www.acmissionz.org.nz/2017/12/india-yjm-ministry-partner-shelter-trust-2/>

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INDIA | YJM's Ministry Partner | Pastor B. Balu Nayak

Pray for Pastor B. Balu Nayak, the leader of Balunayak Banjara Tribal Ministries at Baluthanda, Telangana State. He ministers with compassion to people who have great need: homeless, sick or trapped in extreme poverty.

Please pray for Brother Balu Nayak, his family and his ministries, asking the Lord to provide the necessary funds to enable them to complete the project to provide a place of meeting and worship for the believers and that in the future this will include a home for the pastor and his family. He advises that the church building at Mahabubabad is nearly 50% complete with the main structure completed.

Pray for all those people with various humanitarian needs to whom he ministers.

Pray for the provision of a shelter to enable them to become involved in the rehabilitation of the homeless. You can see a photo of their food ministry on our website

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MYANMAR | Advent Christian Conference of Myanmar President

Please pray for Pastor David Hung Ling the President of ACCM for 2018 as he carries out his duties for the conference as well as those of his organisation (Fellowship Bible Church) and his Myanmar Bible College.

Praise the Lord that The Lord has provided an acre of very suitable land on which they will be able to bring together their Bible College, the several homes in which the 100 orphans and underprivileged children they care for presently stay, accommodation for workers and a church building. This is in an area where there will be no difficulties with Buddhist neighbours.

Please pray for the Lord's provision as they plan and construct the various necessary buildings and arrange electricity supply and a water bore. Thank the Lord that tests show that there is plenty of good water 700 feet down – they need to put a new bore to access this.

Wednesday 14th February 2018

INDIA – Leadership of AC Conferences

Please pray for the leadership of both conferences – Rev Francis Thangadurai of the Advent Christian Conference of India and Rev A. Jerald of the Fellowship of Blessed Hope Churches. Pray too for the Secretaries and Treasurers and members of their Executive Committee and Business Committee respectively.

Rev Francis Thangadurai has had two very difficult years with a group of “rebels” who have opposed his leadership, but a form of “peace” was agreed last year and his term extended until September this year to allow him to serve without opposition.

Thursday 15th February 2018

THAILAND | Brother Boontaa

Please pray for Brother Boontaa. He is a critically important member of the leadership team and CMN staff and preaches at CMN's services and carries out many duties and the ministry at CMN. Please pray regularly for Brother Boontaa and his wife Phon and their severely handicapped daughter Bow.

Pray for him and the members of the New Tribes Mission team which he is assisting as they translate the Scriptures into the Isaan language

Friday 16th February 2018

MALAYSIA | Ministry

Pray especially for Sister Ruth and Brother Wilfred and their family as they reach out to others in the following ways:

- For the one-on-one ministry in assisting those in their community who have practical and spiritual needs of many kinds.
- They continue to do some training for presenting marriage and parenting courses to their community. Pray that they will have opportunities to run these courses, and the Lord will use them to draw people to Himself.
- They minister in a nearby Children's Shelter Home and a Home for the Elderly.
- They also have contact with a group of indigenous people, who they assist with food and teaching English.

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INDIA | YJM ministry Partner – Christ Special High School at Sangkarapuram

Please pray regularly for Pastor Paul Nilivan, the Director of the school and his dedicated team of teachers and staff, as they labour to help these socially disadvantaged children get the best possible academic and practical training and education. Thank the Lord that most of the children do very well in government examinations and most are able to go out into the community at the end of their time at the school with skills and abilities to earn their living. Pray for the School Board as they continue seek recognition and financial assistance from the Government of India for their School for the Hearing Impaired.

You can see photos of the specialist training catering, tailoring and handicrafts on our website <https://www.acmissionz.org.nz/2017/12/india-jesuway-jeevan-mission-ministry-partner-christ-special-high-school/>

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Monday 19th February 2018

MYANMAR | Pastor Joseph

Pray for Pastor Joseph: for good health and financial provision for his family's needs and for strength and wisdom. Pastor Joseph has the responsibilities of the leadership of **The Word Mission**, and the care of a total of 75 orphans/underprivileged children. Pray also that the Lord will provide funds for his trips into areas of Myanmar where there is no Christian witness and raise up more workers to continue and extend this ministry.

Tuesday 20th February 2018

INDIA | Bihar

Pray for the Missionaries and Pastors who work in Bihar, that the Lord will give them wisdom and strength to extend His Kingdom for His glory.

Br. Paul Sundar Raj reports there are 11 churches with a total of 13 pastors ministering in them. There was a total of 2,000 members in the 11 churches, with 80 baptisms and 250 new believers joining the churches during 2017.

St Xavier's School, the ministry's major “bridge” into the community, teaches well over 1,000 students each year, had 100% of their students who sat the Indian Government's Standard 10 Board Exams pass, with 15 of them receiving 100% marks in every subject they wrote an exam. Pray for the key members of the Bihar team Pastors Rajesh, Sathurdhan, Rakesh, Santhosh, Bipin, Dilkush, Sushil, Arjun Gabriel, Samuvel Templar, Deepak Kumar, Punidev, Lakhan and Saurav. Prayer too for the Teachers at St Xavier's High School, most are Christians, many of whom have come from Chennai to Bihar as missionaries and have had to learn a new language. The pastors and the teachers' photos are on our website:

<https://www.acmissionz.org.nz/2018/01/india-letter-appreciation-pastor-paul-sundar-raj/>

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INDIA | Fellowship of Blessed Hope Churches | Pastor Lawrence

Please pray for Pastor Lawrence and his village ministry to the Irula and other Tribal people in the Kanchipuram, Chennai District. He is now conducting four outreach programs regularly and holding Sunday services in two different places. Baptisms are taking place within his ministry and he is concentrating on new ministry locations. Pray that the Lord will bless his efforts to share the gospel. Pray also that the Lord will provide for his and his family's needs.

Thursday 22nd February 2018

INDIA | YJM | Pastor Paul Gandham and Victor Abraham

Pastor Paul Gandham and his son Victor Abraham are based at Adda Road Advent Christian Church in the State of Andhra Pradesh. Praise the Lord for his congregation which has grown from 15 families to 150 families in 5 years. They also have several small, outreach groups in nearby areas. Commit their ministries to the Lord.

Pastor Victor Abraham has been conducting an outreach ministry in a mountain area about three kilometres from Adda Road. The place is called Bala Ventakapuram but Victor Abraham has renamed it Calvary Healing Mountain. There are three remote villages in the area – very poor villages – and about 300 people from these three villages and from other villages from surrounding villages, some of them up to 20 kilometres distant, are attending a weekly fasting and prayer meeting on Fridays.

Friday 23rd February 2018

Orphans

Thank the Lord for ministries to orphans and underprivileged children and young people being carried out in the Lord's name in India, Myanmar, Thailand and the Philippines by Advent Christian organisations. Thank the Lord for making resources for these ministries available through His people. Thank the Lord especially for those who respond to the still small voice of the Lord to support these ministries financially, especially those who support ACGC's Bread of Life program.

Saturday 24th February 2018

PHILIPPINES | Oro Bible College

Please pray for the folk at Oro Bible College and the pastors and members of the Advent Christian churches on Mindanao – for safety for them and their properties. May God be their refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

The President of the Philippines has extended the martial law a second time to deal with the continued Islamist insurgency in the island of Mindanao. There are kidnapping threats for foreigners. Please continue to pray that this situation may be resolved so that "normal" life can continue.

Sunday 25th February 2018

MYNAMAR | Rohingya Muslims

Pray for peace in Myanmar. Pray for solutions to the Rohingya Muslims refugee crisis. More than half a million people have fled from Myanmar across the border with Bangladesh. The refugee camps are among the largest in the world. Cholera and diphtheria have spread through the camp. Pray that the Lord will have mercy on these displaced people.

Pray for the country's government as they seem reluctant to enter into discussions with the United Nations aimed at repatriating these refugees to their homeland.

Pastor J has been in the areas of Myanmar where people are fleeing from and reports that many of the villagers have fled to the jungle to survive. Pray that the Lord will provide funds for the Myanmar Conference to enable them to do more to help.

Monday 26th February 2018

MYANMAR | Pastor Timothy

Thank the Lord for Pastor Timothy and his wife Hoi Van and their five children. Their oldest daughter Siam Mawi recently graduated with a B.Sc. and their oldest son Rabbi is beginning his 2nd-year of university. They recently had 7 baptisms in their home.

You can see photos of Timothy's children and the Baptism gathering on our website:

<https://www.acmissionz.org.nz/2018/01/myanmar-pastor-timothy-baptises-seven-new-christian-celebrate-christmas/>

Pray for Timothy and his 11 colleagues and their families, for wisdom and strength and blessing, and for the provision of funds to meet the ongoing costs of their ministries.

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Philippines | Sick Pastors

Please pray for two young, very dedicated and energetic Pastors who are seriously ill and undergoing very costly diagnosis tests and treatment at present. Both have been ill for some considerable time and they and their families have suffered badly because of their illnesses and the cost of tests and treatment.

Pastor Jonathan Navacilla, who pastors a large church at Banilad, on the Island of Cebu, has been diagnosed as having myelofibrosis, a form of leukaemia (“...a serious bone marrow disorder that disrupts the body's normal production of blood cells. The result is extensive scarring in the bone marrow, leading to severe anemia, weakness, fatigue and often an enlarged spleen.”). Further very expensive tests are needed to determine whether the only treatment – a bone marrow transplant – is needed or suitable. Please pray for Jonathan, his wife Flor and their two children, and the members of his church.

Pastor Roy Rocha, who pastors a thriving church in Manila, has been very unwell for many months and is slowly recovering from “burn out” suffered several months ago. He is presently waiting to have an MRI on his spine and brain to try and identify why he is in constant, severe pain. He can no longer lift anything - even something small like a chair. The MRI is, of course, very expensive. Roy and his wife Llerma and their children have been and are suffering financially, physically and emotionally – please pray regularly that the Lord will heal and provide for them. Pray too for the church congregation and their ministries

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Sunday 4th March 2018

INDIA | Land ownership problem

Please pray for Rev Paul D. Ebenezer, the pastor of the Fellowship of Blessed Hope Church at Madurai, in Tamil Nadu, and for a considerable number of the church’s neighbours. These folk bought their properties many, many years ago and have proper ownership papers. A nearby Hindu temple is claiming that the land belongs to the temple, and legal action is about to begin. Please pray that real justice may prevail.

Please also pray for Brother Paul’s ministry and for his believers – their ministry in what is a major Hindu temple city is being blessed by the Lord.

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Please pray for:

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- That authorities will approve the new curriculum which OBC plans to implement in June 2018.
- More students for the various programmes.
- Provision for funds to meet OBC's budget.
- For safety and protection from Islamic militants who operate in the island of Mindanao.

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Please thank the Lord for the Pastors and Bible Women of the ACCI. Rejoice with them as they celebrate recent baptisms in several of the Conference's churches. Yesuway Jeevan Mission is always pleased to provide a new Bible for all those who follow their Lord through the waters of baptism.

The YJM team was very pleased to be busy delivering 44 Bibles for newly baptised members in a single week recently! Please pray that those recently baptised will grow in their faith and in their personal experience of their Saviour and pray that their brothers and sisters in the Lord will encourage and support them.

Please pray for YJM's team as we look for funds to assist the ACCI with printed material for their outreach ministry.

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MYANMAR | Pastor Hla Thaug

Pastor Hla Thaug is the pastor of a church plant of Pastor Kenneth's organisation - Gospel for Myanmar. His mission field is Okshitgone village in the Yangon Division, about 2 hours bus ride from Yangon City. His wife's name is Za Za Oo and they have two boys – Daniel and Za Nie. They have 37 believers in their group which meets in their home, all of whom are from Buddhist backgrounds. Please pray for Pastor Hla Thaug, and for his family and the church there.

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INDIA | YJM Ministry Partners – EMMANUEL'S SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S HOME

Commit to the Lord the Emmanuel's School and Children's Home in Chandel, Manipur State, which has approximately 450 students, in classes ranging from Lower Kindergarten to Standard 10, taught by 18 teachers. Please pray for the school, its staff and the children who attend. As well as getting a good education, all the children are taught daily about the love of Jesus Christ, and His sacrifice for them.

Pray that the Lord will provide for the much needed maintenance and replacement of their buildings.

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Pray that Advent Christian church leaders and pastors in Myanmar will have and continue to have a growing, consistent walk with Christ with a devotional life and prayer that is steadfast. Pray that they would exhibit good Christian character and integrity with all of their relationships and dealings in life.

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INDIA | Ministry Partner – Pastor Ahaj Kumar Pani in Odisha

Thank the Lord for Pastor Pani, in Odisha. **Thank the Lord** for Pastor Pani's care and compassion for the underprivileged and for his ongoing ministries. He has recently begun new ministries to orphan children in tribal villages at Brajarajnagar, Kandhamal and Gandhichowk. He asks us to pray for these ministries.

Pray for financial provision for the assistant pastors who work with Pastor Pani. This team now numbers ten: Rev. Ahaj Kumar Pani; Pastors Mathew Behera, Daniel Sagar, Surandra Horpal and Pramanda Behera; Missionaries Bhagaban Santa and Banau Murmur and Missionaries Sisters Binita Mashi, Mami Pani and Runu Heal. **Please pray** for these brothers and sisters and all to whom they minister.

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ACMISSIONZ

Pray that the Lord will raise up **new prayer and financial supporters for Missions**, especially among the younger generations. Thank the Lord for websites and social networking and pray that He will use these modern media and short term Mission trips to give young people especially a passion for evangelism and mission.

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MALAYSIA | Unserved friends and family

Ruth Devairakkam in Kluang asks that we join with them in praying for their unserved relatives and friends. Pray that the Lord, by His Spirit will draw these contacts to Himself and they will come to understand the truth. Pray that the Lord will give Ruth and Wilfred and their group members wisdom as they share.

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Pastor Joseph, one of the leaders of the Advent Christian Conference of Myanmar, accompanied by other members of his organisation, continue to visit unreached areas of the country, preaching the Word of God. He also seeks to meet urgent humanitarian needs among the poor. Pray that the Lord will provide funds and raise up more workers to continue and extend this ministry.

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Pray that the Lord will continue to bring greater democratic freedom to Myanmar. Pray for the Lord's mighty hand to bring healing and hope to the people of Myanmar. Please continue to pray for the people of this land, where there seems always to be some kind of disaster or difficulty causing great concern and hardship for its people. Pray that the Lord will strengthen the believers.

Please pray that the Lord will bless the ministry of all the members of the Advent Christian Conference of Myanmar and that the ministry of the Christian message will not be hindered.

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PHILIPPINES | Roy Rocha

Join Pastor Roy Rocha and his family in Manila in thanking the Lord for his faithfulness through all of life's challenges and difficulties. Pray especially for his health – he has recently had a “burn-out” but is recovering slowly. Pray for the provision of funds for a much-needed MRI scan. Pray for continuing fruitful ministry and God's wisdom for him and his congregation.

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THAILAND | CHRISTIAN MISSION | Leadership Team

Pray for all the leaders of the ministry at Naratchakwai - Sister Maeo, Brother Boontaa, Ploy, Parn, Lita, Job, and Guitar. Pray too for Maeo's brother Dtee, who serves the Lord by driving the mission vehicle and helping practically on the property. Kaew has had to move to live in Bangkok for her studies.

Pray especially for the five young ladies, asking that they may grow in the grace and knowledge of their Lord and Saviour. Pray also that they will be able to balance their studies and their service at CMN.

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The Word

Ask the Lord today to use His written Word to touch the hearts and minds of those who read it or are taught from it, and to grow His people spiritually.

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INDIA | Immanuel and Rani

Pray for Mission Manager in Chennai India, M. M. Immanuel and his wife Rani and thank the Lord for Immanuel's godly leadership of the American Advent Mission team there. Immanuel and Rani both need our prayers as Rani is beginning to show signs of the onset of dementia. Immanuel is still under significant pressure from several major ongoing matters within the AC ministries and needs our prayers for personal safety and safety of his family. Pray for the rest of the Mission staff at the Guindy compound and their families also. Pray too for the Mission's Advocate (lawyer) Mr Ravi Paul, who provides much-needed legal assistance and for other advocates who assist him

Wednesday 28th March 2018

MYANMAR | Church Planter Pastor Aung Thang

Pray for Pastor Aungthang who is ministering among Buddhists in the Hlegu District in the Pegu Division, near Yangon City. He and his wife are also helping poor children and orphans, especially with their education. His wife is a nurse and many sick people come to their house and she does what she can to help them, in the name of Jesus.

Thursday 29th March 2018

THAILAND | Brother Boontaa

Please pray for Brother Boontaa and for fruitful ministry. He is a critically important member of the leadership team and CMN staff and preaches at CMN's services and carries out many duties and the ministry at CMN. He is presently assisting the New Tribes Mission's translation team to translate the Scriptures into the local Isan language, which is a group of Lao dialects currently written with the Thai alphabet, which is spoken by about 20 million people in Thailand - a little under one-third of the country's population.

Please pray regularly for Brother Boontaa, his wife Phon and their severely handicapped daughter Bow.

Friday 30th March 2018

INDIA | Fellowship of Blessed Hope Churches

Pray for the Fellowship of Blessed Hope Churches in Tamil Nadu, India. Pray for many blessings for those who now make up the group loyal to the Mission, the Fellowship and God's ways and precepts, and pray especially that they may see the value of unity and that they may be led by the Lord to work together in ministry rather than as individual churches.

Pray especially for the Pastors who hold positions of responsibility: Rev. A. Jerald as President, Rev. A. Paul Selvin as Secretary and Rev. P. Peter as Treasurer. Please pray for wisdom and enthusiasm for these brothers as they accept the responsibility of leadership. Please pray specifically that all of the churches of the group will work together, supporting and assisting each other, recognising that in unity they will attain more than the sum of their individual efforts.

PRAYER CALENDAR

Saturday 31st March 2018

THAILAND | Ministry

Pray for the continued provision of the Lord's power, grace, guidance and finances for the Ministry in Thailand. Thank the Lord for the increase in the number of adults attending the Sunday morning worship services and for the following that makes the ministry possible:

- Maeo's commitment to allow her property and its wonderful facilities to be the centre of the ministry which she and John developed over many years.
- Pastor Boonta's availability to teach and preach from God's Word.
- Ploy, Parn and Lita, with their abilities and commitment to use them to serve their Lord, and their willingness to spend considerable time and effort in planning, preparing and carrying out the various activities, and leading and encouraging the other three girls who are also critical for the ongoing ministry. Please thank and praise the Lord that the three younger girls – Job, Kaew (pronounced "gow") and Guitar - committed their lives to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord earlier this year. Please pray that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of their Lord. Kaew has moved to Bangkok for study – please pray especially that her faith will remain strong.
- Commit to the Lord additional financial needs which need to be met in the future. Thank the Lord that a much more reliable replacement 10 seat van (2009 Toyota Hiace) has been purchased for transporting the children and young people. They are paying it off at ThB9721 (NZ\$405) per month.