



## Thursday January 1

**AUSTRALIA** As 2026 begins pray for refreshment and for God's hand to guide The Leprosy Mission Australia in all it does. Pray for wisdom in making decisions and sufficient resources to carry out the work.

## Friday January 2

**GLOBAL** Remember the thousands of people around the world praying for a world without leprosy. Pray for God's will to be done here on earth as in heaven, that there will be healing and new life for people affected by leprosy.

## Saturday January 3

**GLOBAL** Pray for wisdom amongst leadership teams around the Leprosy Mission's Global Fellowship of 27 countries as they discern and enact direction for the year ahead.

## Sunday January 4

**GLOBAL** Pray for continued and increased collaboration with Organisations of Persons Affected by Leprosy. Pray this will bear fruit in new initiatives and improved outcomes in all areas of our work.

## Monday January 5

**GLOBAL** Pray for Leprosy Mission teams responsible for responding during times of crises, such as extreme weather events, or violent conflicts. Pray for resources needed to meet the needs of those affected.

## Tuesday January 6

**GLOBAL** Pray for safety for staff and volunteers travelling into and through challenging conditions. Pray for protection from disease, security threats, and for good mental health.

## Wednesday January 7

**GLOBAL** As governments continue to reduce financial aid around the world, pray for new opportunities for fundraising and philanthropic giving. Pray for open hearts and minds to see the needs of people who are often forgotten and excluded.

## Thursday January 8

**TIMOR-LESTE** Pray for good relationships with communities as the team conducts screening in schools and villages. Pray for people diagnosed with leprosy to feel included in their community, and receive the support and treatment needed.

## Friday January 9

**TIMOR-LESTE** Pray for ongoing training for staff and volunteers so they can provide support to those going through treatment, suffering from discrimination, and dealing with varying levels of disability.

## Saturday January 10

**GLOBAL** Flow priceless in your unfailing love, O God, with you in the fountain of life, the fountain of healing. Spread the shadow of your healing wings over those touched by leprosy and their families, that they know gladness of heart to sustain them in facing health challenges. – Evelyn M., VIC

## Sunday January 11

**INDIA** Pray for graduates of the Vocational Training Centre in Faizabad to be supported as they get established in the workplace. Pray for strong relationships between graduates and the centre to promote the importance of their work.

## Monday January 12

**INDIA** Give thanks and pray for the enormous work undertaken by The Leprosy Mission Trust India in areas of healthcare, sustainable livelihoods, community empowerment, research, training and advocacy.

## Tuesday January 13

**INDIA** Pray for communities across Tamil Nadu participating in the Cocreating Inclusive Development project as they embrace practices that support people with disabilities, promote mental health awareness, and improve health seeking behaviours.

## Wednesday January 14

**INDIA** Give thanks that 22 laws were repealed in the last year that discriminated against people affected by leprosy. Give thanks for the work of advocates fighting for these changes and pray that more than 80 laws around the world will soon be repealed.

## Thursday January 15

**GLOBAL** Give thanks and pray for UN Special Rapporteur Beatriz Miranda-Galarza who recently reported to the UN General Assembly on the vital importance of access to leprosy medication.

## Friday January 16

**GLOBAL** Access to leprosy medication is a human rights obligation. Pray for reliable supply chains, improved monitoring and forecasting of case numbers, and for the inclusion of affected people throughout the process.

**Saturday January 17**

**INDONESIA** Pray for leprosy cases rising in Karawang, West Java, where migrants seeking work face crowded housing, poor sanitation, and limited knowledge of local healthcare services.

**Sunday January 18**

**INDONESIA** Pray for our partner Yayasan NLR as they work alongside healthcare services and leprosy affected people to improve education, diagnosis, and treatment. Pray their work will prevent discrimination and permanent disability.

**Monday January 19**

**NEPAL** Pray for the Jhapa Leprosy Reduction project in Eastern Nepal. Pray health and education ministries alongside partner Nepal Leprosy Fellowship will work effectively to increase screening, uncover hidden cases, and reduce child leprosy cases.

**Tuesday January 20**

**NEPAL** Pray for The Leprosy Mission Nepal staff as they empower Self-Help Groups, improve school health and leprosy awareness, and strengthen local health workers to diagnose and treat cases.

**Wednesday January 21**

**GLOBAL** Recently the World Health Assembly recognised skin diseases as a global public health priority. Pray that progress can be made on this to raise awareness, education, and strategies to find and heal more cases.

**Thursday January 22**

**GLOBAL** “Now we ask you, brothers & sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the

highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. (1 Thessalonians 5:12,13) – Ann H., VIC

**Friday January 23**

**AUSTRALIA** Give thanks for churches across the country who are holding World Leprosy Day services this weekend or in the weeks to come. Pray for the celebration of the day to turn into action to create a world without leprosy.

**Saturday January 24**

**GLOBAL** On the International Day of Education pray for more opportunities for young people with leprosy and disabilities to stay in education and create a brighter future for themselves and their families.

**Sunday January 25**

**GLOBAL** Today is World Leprosy Day. Give thanks for the strength of people who share the stories of their experience of leprosy so that others may learn, pray, act. Pray for the amazing research and breakthroughs bringing us closer to seeing an end to leprosy.

**Monday January 26**

**AUSTRALIA** On Australia Day pray for all countries to recognise and support people to be included in all aspects of community life. Pray they will be valued regardless of stigma, disability, or disease.

**Tuesday January 27**

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA** Pray for Natalie Smith as she continues to guide and grow her team. Pray their innovation and dedication will bear fruit in finding more cases and providing timely treatment and support.

**Wednesday January 28**

**NIGERIA** Poverty is a significant issue in Nigeria. Pray for people

affected by poverty who are also living with Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) such as leprosy. Pray for opportunities to build sustainable livelihoods while undergoing treatment.

**Thursday January 29**

**NIGERIA** Pray for the staff and volunteers of The Leprosy Mission Nigeria to have the resources needed to respond to the needs of communities affected by leprosy and other NTDs.

**Friday January 30**

**AUSTRALIA** Give thanks for The Leprosy Mission Australia Shop team. Pray as they continue to work together to encourage Australians to support artisans affected by leprosy, disability, discrimination, and poverty.

**Saturday January 31**

**GLOBAL** Give thanks for the prayers of those who gather in the name of Jesus, remembering “where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” (Matthew 18:20). Pray for God’s will to be done to bring healing and wholeness.

## **World Leprosy Sunday**

**“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke?”**

**— Isaiah 58:6**