



Keeping in Touch

December 2022 Prayers

Thursday December 1

AUSTRALIA Give thanks for the increase in events held by staff and volunteers around the country. Pray for more people to be inspired to support people affected by leprosy.

Friday December 2

INDIA Pray for MESH, an organisation providing opportunities for people affected by leprosy and disabilities to achieve social and economic integration through trade including products sold through The Leprosy Mission Shop.

Saturday December 3

GLOBAL On International Day of Persons with Disabilities pray for people living with disability to have improved access to services. Pray for those affected by disability to have a voice within the community.

Sunday December 4

NIGERIA Pray for the people of Zamfara state recovering following flooding in Niger, Sudan and many states in Nigeria. Pray those affected by leprosy and disability will continue to have access to healthcare services.

Monday December 5

GLOBAL On International Volunteer Day give thanks for the enormous contribution volunteers make to the work of The Leprosy Mission. Pray new volunteers will raise their hands to continue the work of making leprosy a thing of the past.

Tuesday December 6

NEPAL Give thanks for the opening of the new trauma center at Anandaban hospital. Pray this facility will bring healing and hope to many people.

Wednesday December 7

NEPAL Pray for the Jhapa Leprosy Reduction project staff as they establish important community relationships to ensure the success of the project.

Thursday December 8

GLOBAL Pray for Alice Cruz, United Nations Special Rapporteur on leprosy, as she prepares a report on the protection of persons affected by leprosy in the context of the right to development. Pray for positive outcomes and changes in their communities.

Friday December 9

NIGERIA Give thanks for training for Self-Help Group members now engaged in making products and earning money. Give thanks this has significantly reduced the number of members begging on the street and has increased their self-worth.

Saturday December 10

GLOBAL On World Human Rights Day pray that governments and community groups will be inclusive of people with leprosy and disability.

Sunday December 11

TIMOR-LESTE Pray for the team of young doctors in the Improved Leprosy Services project.

Give thanks for opportunities to improve leprosy knowledge in the medical profession.

Monday December 12

NEPAL Pray for Cooperative leaders of the Integrated Mobilisation of People for Active Community Transformation (IMPACT) project as they learn business skills needed for long-term sustainability.

Tuesday December 13

NIGERIA Give thanks for training for the Independent Nigerian Electoral Commission staff on dispelling leprosy myths and supporting voting registration for people with leprosy.

Wednesday December 14

NIGERIA Give thanks that this training (see yesterday's prayer) was attended by the acting Australian High Commissioner, other influential people and was televised. Pray for stigmas to be broken for people with leprosy and disability.

Thursday December 15

NEPAL Pray for one of the TLMA Social Enterprise producers, Local Women's Handicrafts, a fair trade textile and handicraft collective in Kathmandu as they focus on empowering and educating disadvantaged and marginalised women, using sustainable methods.

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Friday December 16

INDIA Pray for God's wisdom as The Leprosy Mission Trust India (TLMTI) engages leprosy champions and ambassadors to raise awareness about leprosy.

Saturday December 17

NEPAL Pray for the National Leprosy Programme of Nepal as they continue to advocate for people with leprosy. Pray particularly as they focus on repealing laws that discriminate directly against people affected by leprosy.

Sunday December 18

AUSTRALIA Pray churches will continue to open their hearts to reach the poor and suffering, including those affected by leprosy, discrimination and disability.

Monday December 19

INDIA Pray for God's strength for people affected by leprosy and the TLMTI team as they engage local authorities to ensure the implementation of affirmative action to achieve rehabilitation and inclusion.

Tuesday December 20

PAPUA NEW GUINEA Pray for staff and volunteers working alongside Natalie Smith at The Leprosy Mission PNG. Give thanks for the impact Natalie's leadership has on those affected by leprosy.

Wednesday December 21

INDONESIA Pray for our projects as they establish themselves within the communities. Pray that people will feel confident to come forward for testing and treatment.

Thursday December 22

INDIA Pray for God's grace so that TLMTI can resume operating at the community level and organise awareness programmes after the pandemic.

Friday December 23

GLOBAL Pray for The Leprosy Mission Global Fellowship as we prepare for a new year. Pray to overcome challenges, discover new opportunities, and move closer to a reality of a world without leprosy.

Saturday December 24

AUSTRALIA Pray for staff at The Leprosy Mission Australia as they take a break over Christmas and New Year's. Pray they will return refreshed and energized to continue impacting the lives of people affected by leprosy.

Sunday December 25

GLOBAL Give thanks for the birth of Jesus who came to bring new life, proclaim freedom and good news for all. Celebrate these good gifts and pray more people would come to experience freedom in Jesus.

Monday December 26

GLOBAL Pray for our project partners around the world. Pray that together we will achieve more than we could alone, and to see successful outcomes for those suffering with leprosy.

Tuesday December 27

INDIA Pray that TLMTI will make progress in engaging with government ministries and policy makers so that together we can repeal all discriminatory laws.

Wednesday December 28

TIMOR-LESTE Pray that the team can continue to connect with research and learn from other projects around the world amidst ongoing challenges of poor internet services in the country.

Thursday December 29

AUSTRALIA Pray for more people to be inspired to sign up for the monthly regular giving program, Total Loving Cure (TLC), to stop leprosy transmission, disability and discrimination.

Friday December 30

TIMOR-LESTE Pray for the staff and volunteers of The Leprosy Mission Timor Leste as they work towards making leprosy a thing of the past.

Saturday December 31

GLOBAL As the year comes to an end pray for God's blessing for those people and communities affected by leprosy. Pray they will find freedom from disease, from discrimination and from disability.

I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

—Luke 2:10b-11