

Join us online for The Leprosy Mission second annual Global Day of Prayer on Wednesday 11 May 2022 at 2pm.

Together we will pray for the work of The Leprosy Mission worldwide and join with Christians across the world to pray for a world without leprosy.

On the Day of Prayer, we will:

- Acknowledge God as Jehovah Jireh, as our provider
- Bring the prayers and petitions of Members to the wider Global Fellowship
- Wait upon God and listen to what He is saying to the Global Fellowship
- Be encouraged by hearing what God is doing across the Global Fellowship

*"That all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one — I in them and you in me — so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."*

- John 17:21-23

## THE LEPROSY MISSION PRAYER

Almighty Father, the giver of life and health, look mercifully on those who suffer from leprosy. Stretch out your hand to touch and heal them as Jesus did during his earthly life.

Grant wisdom and insight to those who are seeking the prevention and cure of the disease. Give skill and sympathy to those who minister to the patients. Reunite the separated with their family and friends.

And inspire your people with the task set before The Leprosy Mission, that it may never lack the staff or the means to carry on its healing work, in accordance with your will, and to the glory of your holy name.

We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen

*Any thoughts, reflections, or feedback, please send through to: [engage@leprosymission.org.au](mailto:engage@leprosymission.org.au)*

**Thank you for your compassion and for your prayers of support for people affected by leprosy and disability.**

## Your prayers of support help to empower people like Bishna

By Supa Thejan  
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The Leprosy Mission was founded in 1874 by Wellesley and Alice Bailey, and their friends the Pim sisters, to provide holistic support to people affected by leprosy. This is still the Mission's central work. Today, we have offices in 31 countries around the world. We partner with other not-for-profits and governments to provide healing and vocational opportunities to people affected by leprosy and disability. More than ever your prayers are vital to keep this work going and to see leprosy defeated in our lifetime. Our Triple Zero strategy to see the end of transmission, disability, and discrimination is grounded in the faithful prayers of people like you.

Bishna is an example of The Leprosy Mission and other organisations working together in unity to provide holistic support to people affected by leprosy. Now 38, she contracted leprosy at age eight. Her dad took her to Surkhet Hospital in Nepal, several days walk from her village, for treatment.

Thank God she started her treatment during the early stages of leprosy. As a result she did not develop ulcers and infections due to severe nerve damage.

This could have resulted in loss of function in hands and feet and need surgery, and if left too late, even amputation.

Bishna was at the hospital for more than two years. She won everyone over, including the doctors, with her friendly attitude. During this time, she learned to read and do basic maths with help from hospital staff. She now only suffers occasionally from fever and nerve pain – side effects of her medications.

Bishna completed vocational training in handicrafts and tailoring. Then she went to New SADLE (Skill and Development Learning Experience). They provide training and employment to people affected by leprosy and other diseases. New SADLE are one of many producers providing artisan products to The Leprosy Mission Shop. They are also part of the World Fair Trade Organisation. Here, Bishna received skills training in Backstrap Weaving. Now she works in the Tailoring Section helping with tasks such as batik pasting, labelling and packaging.

**Read more of Bishna's story and find out how you can help people like her inside!**





*Bishna at work and gaining confidence through work.*



Bishna is married and has two children. Her son, Bishal is 18, and studying Hotel Management. Her daughter, Smriti is 14, and at boarding school.

Caring and compassionate people like you make it possible for Bishna and others affected by leprosy and disability to gain confidence through work. Thank you!

Pray for Bishna and her family that they may continue to flourish.

Thank God for the Leprosy Mission Shop as it continues to support those affected by leprosy and disability.

Pray for further opportunities to partner with Fair Trade producers who support the ongoing training and employment of people living with leprosy and disability.

Pray for unity and inclusiveness as we work together to defeat leprosy and transform lives.

Join in a spirit of unity to pray with people around the world on Wednesday 11 May 2022.

If you would like to learn more about our Fair Trade producers or support The Leprosy Mission Shop go to <https://shop.leprosymission.org.au>

**If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves...**

—Philippians 2:1-3

## In Memory of Dorothy Glover



Mrs Dorothy Glover was a valued member of the Peninsula Support Group in Victoria. She is remembered for her warm and welcoming presence and her hugs and smiles as she was a wonderful 'welcomer' at meetings and fundraising events.

Dorothy is especially remembered for her fellowship and prayer and strong commitment to faith. She was also loyal and dependable – when she asked how you were she really was concerned, and when she said she would pray for you, she would.

Last year, when Dorothy and her husband David celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, they generously requested that gifts be made to The Leprosy Mission. This was again their wish at Dorothy's funeral.

We thank Dorothy for her dedicated service and commitment to God. Please pray for David's family and friends as they grieve for Dorothy. In Jesus Name.



**WEDNESDAY  
11 MAY, 2022**

## THE LEPROSY MISSION'S GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER

Join with Christians across the world who are praying for a world without leprosy.

### JOIN US ONLINE

Wednesday 11 May 2022  
at 2:00PM AEST

### OR IN YOUR OWN SPACE

hold your own event with your family, friends, group or church (and go online at 2pm to join with the world!)

**Find out more and register at:**

<https://www.leprosymission.org.au/get-involved/partner-in-prayer>

**or for more information go to:**

<https://www.leprosymission.org/dayofprayer>

