

January 2024 Prayers

Monday January 1

AUSTRALIA Give thanks for the new year. Pray it will be full of hope and joy. Pray for good news for people affected by leprosy and disability. Pray for breakthroughs in treatments, and for inclusion at every level of decision making.

Tuesday January 2

AUSTRALIA Pray for the many events planned to mark the 150th anniversary of The Leprosy Mission. Give thanks for supporters, past and present, and pray that new supporters will be found to take us into the future.

Wednesday January 3

GLOBAL Give thanks for the 150th anniversary of The Leprosy Mission. Pray that commemorations around the world will give voice to people affected by leprosy and encourage the world to make leprosy a thing of the past.

Thursday January 4

NIGERIA Give thanks for faithful service to God of The Leprosy Mission Nigeria staff who often work in difficult situations. Pray for health and safety in all they do.

Friday January 5

NIGERIA Pray for the staff of the Strengthening Integrated Neglected Tropical Disease Control project in Zamfara province who continue to provide quality care, advocacy, and training to support people affected by leprosy. Pray local communities as well as

broader society will become more inclusive and welcoming places.

Saturday January 6

GLOBAL As we begin another year of praying, give thanks for the many people who pray for The Leprosy Mission using resources such as the ASK Diary, KIT, and Daily Prayers. Pray more people will be inspired to pray for healing and dignity for people affected by leprosy.

Sunday January 7

GLOBAL Pray for initiatives to address the inner wellbeing of people affected by leprosy who often suffer discrimination, lack of inclusion, and loss of opportunities to live a full life.

Monday January 8

INDIA Pray for Manaksha, the principal of Vadathorasalur Vocational Training Centre (VTC) as he continues to work at creating long-term sustainability for the Centre. Pray new initiatives and programs will successfully meet this objective.

Tuesday January 9

INDIA Pray for students of the Vocational Training Centre who work hard to gain qualifications and find sustainable livelihoods. Give thanks for loving supporters like you who make this possible.

Wednesday January 10

PAPUA NEW GUINEA Pray for Natalie Smith and her staff as they work in often hard-to-reach communities. Pray for safety for staff, & for those affected by leprosy to access the support they need.

Thursday January 11

GLOBAL Give thanks for new UN Special Rapporteur on leprosy Dr. Beatriz Miranda Galarza. Pray as she advocates alongside people affected by leprosy to break down barriers to participation including isolation and violations of their human rights.

Friday January 12

TIMOR LESTE Pray for participants in the Improved Leprosy Services (ILS) project to regularly access treatment and learn appropriate self-care to ensure the best possible health outcomes.

Saturday January 13

TIMOR LESTE Pray for ILS staff who support the Timor Leste National Leprosy Control Program to work towards strengthening the health system in leprosy detection, diagnosis, and management.

Sunday January 14

NEPAL Give thanks for the Integrated Mobilisation of People for Active Community Transformation (IMPACT) team. Pray more people will have self-confidence, improved livelihoods, meaningful employment, and increased inclusion in their communities.

Monday January 15

INDONESIA Pray for The Leprosy Friendly Village project staff continuing to build inclusive communities. Pray enough resources, including medication, will be available to build confidence in people affected by leprosy to feel included and welcome.

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Tuesday January 16

INDONESIA Pray for Urban Leprosy project staff as they provide training to health practitioners to increase leprosy knowledge and accurate diagnosis.

Wednesday January 17

GLOBAL Pray for Dr Arie de Kruijff in his new role looking at innovation and learning for The Leprosy Mission International. Pray new tools and methods for efficiency and effectiveness can be tested and approved to improve current practices.

Thursday January 18

INDIA Pray for Manivannan (project manager) and staff of the Inclusive Empowerment project. Give thanks for the work done in raising awareness of leprosy in the community, providing support for people with disabilities, and enabling them to create sustainable livelihoods.

Friday January 19

INDIA Pray for many people affected by leprosy and disability who have been able to set up businesses through joining producer groups as part of the Inclusive Empowerment project.

Saturday January 20

NEPAL Pray for the rebuilding of the Anandaban Self-Care Unit (SCU). Pray for safety for the builders working on steep, hilly terrain.

Sunday January 21

NEPAL Pray that patients at the SCU will continue receiving treatment and training they need to live with dignity and free from pain. Pray the new buildings will provide a safe and welcoming

place away from home and be a blessing to them.

Monday January 22

AUSTRALIA Give thanks for The Leprosy Mission Australia shop supporting artisans from a range of backgrounds, particularly disadvantaged women, and people with leprosy and disabilities. Pray this support provides dignity and hope for the future.

Tuesday January 23

INDIA Give thanks that the provincial government have seen the value of the Mobile Care Unit, and have ordered another 39 units to support help reach more people who have difficulty travelling to a health clinic or hospital.

Wednesday January 24

GLOBAL On International Day of Education, pray for the wonderful work done encouraging young people to participate in, and complete, their education. Pray more people affected by leprosy will access educational opportunities.

Thursday January 25

GLOBAL Pray for partner organisations who support, enable, and extend the work of The Leprosy Mission. Pray together we will see breakthroughs and help make leprosy a thing of the past.

Friday January 26

AUSTRALIA On Australia Day give thanks for people like you who pray and work hard to be inclusive of others in this country, and around the world. Pray for dignity, hope, and love for people suffering from diseases such as leprosy, discrimination, and disability.

Saturday January 27

INDIA Pray for The Leprosy Mission Trust India board and staff as they continue to advance the needs of people affected by leprosy through advocacy, training, empowerment, research, treatment, and livelihood support.

Sunday January 28

GLOBAL On World Leprosy Day give thanks for 150 years of The Leprosy Mission. Pray for churches and groups holding special events today and throughout the year to raise awareness of leprosy and its consequences for people suffering disability and discrimination.

Monday January 29

GLOBAL Give thanks for technology closely connecting us with the Global Fellowship, supporters, project partners, and participants of these projects. Pray for more chances to connect throughout the year as we bring healing and dignity to people around the world.

Tuesday January 30

NEPAL Pray for children participating in the SEED (Supporting Empowerment through Education Development) program. Pray these students who live in poverty because of disease or disability will find a hopeful future through these scholarships.

Wednesday January 31

GLOBAL Pray the words of King David, asking God to direct our prayers and actions for people affected by leprosy. "Since you are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide me." (Psalm 31:3)