

# Partners Praying Together

## October 2025



ABM's *Partners Praying Together* is designed to link our supporters with our partners. Each month we present the prayer requests we receive from our Overseas Partners. Together with that we have the feasts and commemorations from the lectionary, the Australian Cycle of Prayer (which allows you to pray for ABM's Australian Partners), and commemorations from the United Nations calendar. All of these are designed not to tell you *how* to pray, but to prompt you to pray in whatever way you prefer.

*Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you.* – Psalm 32.6a

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## Who are ABM's Partners?

**W**E ARE ASKING YOU to remember our each of our Australian dioceses, our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partners (such as NATSIAC, Wontulp-Bi-Buya College and Nungalinga College), as well as our Overseas Partners. They consist of Activity Partners (with whom we currently have joint activities), Relational Partners (with whom we have historical relationships) and Networking Partners (with whom we work overseas, or with whom we share information). We have, as the well-used Anglican phrase describes it, strong *bonds of affection* for all of them. Because our overseas work involves both the Church, through our Church-to-Church Unit, and communities, though Anglicans in Development, we often relate to our partners both through the Church itself and through a particular Church's community development arm.

### Activity Partners

1. The Anglican Church of Kenya (*ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services*)
2. The Anglican Church of Melanesia (*The Anglican Church of Melanesia's Board of Mission*)
3. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (*Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea*)
4. The Church of Ceylon
5. The Church of the Province of Central Africa (*the Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program*)
6. The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) (*the CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks*)
7. The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (*E-CARE, a community development organization of the ECP*)
8. The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East (*the Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk*)
9. The Philippine Independent Church – *Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI* (*VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI*)

### Relational Partners

10. The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China
11. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia (*Anglican Missions Board, AMB*)
12. The Anglican Church of Hong Kong, the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui* 香港聖公會
13. The Anglican Church of Japan, the *Nippon Sei Ko Kai* 日本聖公会
14. The Anglican Church of Korea, the *Daehan Seonggonghoe* 대한성공회
15. The Church of Bangladesh
16. The Church of North India
17. The Church of Pakistan

18. The Church of South India
19. The Church of the Province of South East Asia
20. The Episcopal Church of South Sudan (*the Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA*)
21. The Episcopal Church of Sudan

### **Networking Partners**

22. Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)
23. The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (Canada)
24. USPG (UK and Ireland)
25. Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy
26. Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life
27. CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
28. The Mothers' Union

Please remember all our partners in your prayers. Whether they are in Vancouver, Honiara or Lahore, they need our prayers.

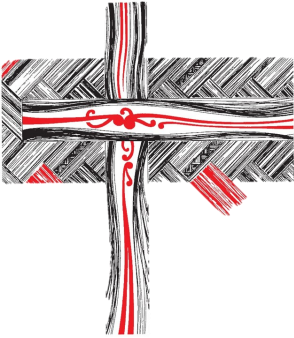
### **EACH DAY THIS MONTH**

- ✠ O merciful God, we give thanks and praise that by Your grace You have called us, not as we deserve, but in Your goodness and generosity; guard and protect us in our calling, that we may be strong in the faith and serve you in joy and love.
- ✠ Pray for all those in war zones, and those displaced by war, especially the people of the occupied Palestinian Territories, Lebanon, Iran and Israel, as well as Yemen, Sudan and Ukraine. May genuine and lasting ceasefires in Iran, Israel, Gaza and Ukraine come to pass so that reconstruction and rehabilitation can begin.
- ✠ Pray for the safety of workers throughout Australia, remembering especially all those killed at work in the last year and their families and friends.
- ✠ Pray for the provision of timely medical care in complex cases in Australia remembering especially those with complex cases who do not get treatment fast enough.
- ✠ Pray for the safety of children throughout Australia, especially those who become victims of people who seek to harm them.
- ✠ Pray for those forced out of housing because of short-term rentals in tourist towns.
- ✠ We give You thanks and praise, Lord, for being here beside us through all the dark and rocky places in our lives. You never leave us, no matter what the circumstances. Thank you.

# Prayer Points

from our

## Overseas Partners



**The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand  
and Polynesia**

***Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tirenī, ki Nga Moutere  
o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa***

- ✚ Pray for Anglican Missions New Zealand's Water, Sanitation and Hygiene programme design in the Solomon Islands, partnering with the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Anglican Church of Melanesia (see [anglicanmissions.org.nz/aid-development/ontong-java](http://anglicanmissions.org.nz/aid-development/ontong-java) for more information).
- ✚ Pray for Anglican Missions New Zealand's ongoing 'Hope for the Holy Land' appeal for Gaza (see [anglicanmissions.org.nz/humanitarian-emergencies/holy-land](http://anglicanmissions.org.nz/humanitarian-emergencies/holy-land) for more information).
- ✚ Pray for all the global humanitarian issues we write about in 'Pray the News' (see [news.anglicanmissions.org.nz/#latest](http://news.anglicanmissions.org.nz/#latest)).



### **The Church of Ceylon**

- ✚ Pray for Bishop's College, as we have opened admissions for the new academic year and prepare for the official commencement next year.
- ✚ Pray for the Diocesan Councils, that they may continue to guide and strengthen the mission and ministries of our two dioceses with wisdom and unity.

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**Anglican Cycle of Prayer 2023–2026, go to**

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- ✠ Pray for the Mission Ministry of the Diocese, as we continue to reach out to women, youth, and children in our communities, seeking justice and empowerment.
- ✠ Pray for peace, reconciliation, and understanding in our nation and for the Anglican Church of Ceylon as it serves faithfully amidst challenges.
- ✠ Pray for the clergy, staff, and lay leaders of the Diocese of Kurunegala, that they may be strengthened in spirit and service.

## 香港聖公會

### **The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui The Anglican Church of Hong Kong**

- ✠ For the love between family members, for mending rifts, for understanding between generations within the family, as the city gathers to celebrate mid-autumn festival.
- ✠ For all creation, for all the creatures great and small, especially as we celebrate St Francis of Assisi on 4 October.
- ✠ For the St James Settlement, for their work for the homeless and neglected, in particular for their charity run on 12 October, in support of feeding the needy.



## 日本聖公会

### **The Nippon Sei Ko Kai The Anglican Communion in Japan**

- ✠ Give thanks for the work of the Japan Bible Society as it celebrates its 150th Anniversary, and ask for God's guidance as they look to the future
- ✠ In a country which takes in very few refugees, please pray for the Human Rights Seminar taking place in Yokohama this month as it seeks to educate about the issue of support for those looking for a new and safe home
- ✠ As the central Japan diocese of Chubu celebrates 150 years of mission, thank God for blessing those who have shared His Word and ask His inspiration for all that do the same in this quickly changing world
- ✠ Please pray for the NSKK's House of Bishops and its three recently consecrated members as they meet this month; ask God to guide the discussion and decisions of all in episcopal ministry



- ✙ Give thanks for the close collaboration between the Anglican churches in Korea and Japan and pray God's blessing on their meeting in Daejeon this month
- ✙ Please pray for all the social welfare work of the Nippon Sei Ko Kai and ask that efforts may continue to be made in those places where it is most needed



## The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East

### كنيسة الأسقفية في القدس والشرق الأوسط

- ✙ Pray for Divine Protection and earthly sustenance for the hundreds of thousands of refugees being forced to evacuate their homes in Gaza City, as well as all those who were forced into that situation months ago.
- ✙ Pray for similar protection and sustenance for those who have chosen to remain in their homes and workplaces in Gaza City, especially those sheltering in Holy Comforter and St. Porphrios churches, and in Al-Ahli Anglican Hospital.
- ✙ Pray for a massive increase of food, potable water, fuel, and medical supplies for the civilians inside Gaza.
- ✙ Pray for a successful negotiated release of all captives, including the 48 being held in Gaza and the 11,000 being held as political prisoners in Israeli detention camps.
- ✙ Pray for Holy protection against settler violence in the West Bank, especially for the Christian village of Taybeh, which has been the subject of many recent attacks.
- ✙ Pray for justice for Layan Nasir and Shadeh Khoury who face many months of military detention on false charges.
- ✙ Pray for a speedy end to the war and a rapid movement towards a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land, under an equitable Two-State solution.



## The Anglican Church of Kenya

- ✙ Thank God for the successful meetings that took place late last month at All Saints' Cathedral in Nairobi, the provincial cathedral for the Anglican Church of Kenya. The Board of Finance, the House of Bishops, and the Provincial Synod all sat, and the Annual General Meeting closed the three days of events.



**대한성공회**  
*Daehan Seonggonghoe*  
**The Anglican Church of Korea**



- ✙ **Thanksgiving for the Mothers' Union Korea Centenary Celebration:** We give thanks to God for guiding the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Mothers' Union in Korea on 20 September. May all glory be given to God for what has been accomplished. Please pray that through the centenary history book, many people may come to recognize God's love, grace, and providence for the Mothers' Union and the wider Church throughout the past 100 years.
- ✙ **Mothers' Union Diocesan Gatherings:** Please pray for the Mothers' Union diocesan meetings in Seoul and Daejeon. May all discussions and decisions be guided by the Lord, and may the Mothers' Union continue to grow as a community of mature faith, united in proclaiming the gospel of God's kingdom.
- ✙ **GFS Korea Annual General Meeting:** Please pray for the annual meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society (GFS) in Korea. This year marks the 150th anniversary of GFS worldwide and the 60th anniversary in Korea. May GFS continue to grow in the abundant love and grace of God. Please pray especially for their ministry through Café Grace, which supports North Korean defectors, that it may bear good fruit. Pray that GFS may shine the light of Christ in the world, and that many may come to encounter God through their faith and witness.
- ✙ **Seoul Cathedral "Community Day":** On 19 October, Seoul Cathedral will hold an outdoor Community Day for all members of the congregation. Please pray that many will join in offering thanksgiving through the Eucharist and sharing fellowship in Christ with one heart and mind. Pray especially that those who have not participated actively in church life may take this opportunity to reconnect with the church community.

**The Episcopal Church of the Philippines**

- ✙ Give thanks for the successful Brotherhood of St. Andrew District Assembly in the Episcopal Diocese of Central Philippines, and pray that their unity in faith and service will continue to bear fruit for the growth of the brotherhood and the expansion of God's kingdom.
- ✙ Give thanks for the successful opening of the first academic year of the Graduate Theological Union of the Philippines at the ECP's Saint Andrew's Theological Seminary, and pray for its pioneer faculty and first batch of students.



- ✙ Give thanks for the united stand of the Episcopal Diocese of Santiago against destructive large-scale mining in the Province of Nueva Vizcaya, and pray that the courageous people of the Municipality of Dupax del Norte will continue to stand firm in their opposition for the protection of their land, life, and resources, as well as for the success of the campaign for intensive planting and nurturing of thousands of trees in the areas directly affected by the mining threat.
- ✙ Give thanks for the statement of the ECP Council of Bishops against corruption on government-funded flood control projects and for their call to take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. Pray that the ECP community will make its 2028 Vision of being Scripture-rooted and Spirit-fired alive and real in the world around it so that the light of Jesus Christ - the light of justice, peace, love and honest works - will be brought into every corner that its members find themselves in so that the kingdom of God will come into full fruition.
- ✙ Give thanks for the ecumenical Season of Creation and pray for the continued success of the ECP's initiatives to actively pursue concrete actions towards creation care, especially for its target of net-zero carbon emissions by 2030, its program of putting up rain catchments in its buildings and community centers, its tree planting activities and establishment of bamboo plantations, and its greenhouse installations for farmers.



## The Episcopal Church of South Sudan

- ✙ Please pray for families displaced due to climate change. Many people become homeless due to the heavy rains that have caused flooding in many states in South Sudan.



**The Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa**  
**Prayer Focus this month:**  
**The Episcopal Churches of Sudan and South Sudan**



**WEEK 1**

**A Prayer for the Leadership of the Church and the Nations**

*It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.*

– Matthew 20.26-28

Welcome to the month of October, the tenth month of the year. In this month, we kindly invite you to join us in giving thanks to God for bringing us this far in the year, even as we pray for the Episcopal Churches of Sudan and South Sudan under the primacy of the Most Rev. Ezekiel Kondo and Most Rev. Dr. Justin Badi Arama of Sudan and South Sudan respectively. Join us to remember and pray for the College of Bishops, Clergy and lay leaders who (together with the Primates) provide both spiritual and temporal leadership to the members of the Churches and their communities in Sudan and South Sudan. We remember in our prayers the national and political leaders and all those to whom leadership responsibilities have been entrusted. We pray for unity and singlemindedness among the ministers (both the ordained and lay) and also among the political, social and tribal leaders who, together with the church, work towards the well-being of the people, their prosperity and the peace of the nations. Join us to pray for wisdom, accountable leadership, and stewardship, and that, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, all leaders in Sudan and South Sudan may work towards the pursuit of justice, peace, and respect for one another in their various faith and tribal communities.”

**WEEK 2**

**A Prayer for Mercy, Healing and Fruitfulness**

*Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind.*

– Psalm 107.19-21

In the second week of the month of October, join us to pray for fruitfulness, good health, and the mercies of God for the people of Sudan and South Sudan and in all the place where

the ministries of the Church reach. We pray that the people will increase and multiply in all their undertakings and be healed of all their infirmities and diseases. We pray for God's mercy and healing of the trauma suffered by the many families and communities affected by conflicts and war, tribal infractions, and economic and political challenges in Sudan and South Sudan and for those devastated by continued fighting between various groups in the Dafur region of Sudan and the political standoff between the President and his Vice and their groups in South Sudan. We pray for political and economic stability in Sudan and South Sudan and for the safety of women, youth, children, and the elderly who are adversely impacted by the challenges caused by the effects of the conflicts, political and economic difficulties exacerbated by the activities of armed bandits and other issues. Join us to pray for the various health and humanitarian ministries of the Church and for all those whose work and ministries bring healing and restoration to the sick, the traumatized and those challenged emotionally and psychologically within the dioceses of the provinces of Sudan and South Sudan and their communities.

### **WEEK 3**

#### **A Prayer for Peace**

*You will keep in perfect peace those whose mind is steadfast, because they trust in you.*

– Isaiah 26.3

In the third week of October, we invite you to join us in praying for peace in the provinces, dioceses, and communities that make up the countries of Sudan and South Sudan. We pray for the peaceful coexistence of the various political, tribal, and faith groups in the two countries and for all whose efforts and actions engender peace among the people and faith groups. We pray that God's peace would undergird the ministries and mission of the Church and the nations, especially those mediating for peace and for the pursuit of justice and godly actions in governance, commerce and trade, education, and life-molding actions within the various institutions of the nation and the Church. We pray that the nations of Sudan and South Sudan and the Churches will know and experience the peace of Christ in their political and socio-economic circumstances, and for peaceful social and political relations between the various ethnic groups and peoples, as well as political parties and faith groups, for the betterment of the nations and their peoples.

### **WEEK 4**

#### **A Prayer for Love**

*Love is patient; love is kind. It does not envy; it does not boast; it is not proud. It is not rude; it is not self-seeking; it is not easily angered; it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.*

– 1 Corinthians 13.4-7

In the fourth week of the month, we come together to pray for enduring love among the various tribes, communities, and the members of the dioceses of the Episcopal Churches of Sudan and South Sudan. We pray for love among people of differing faith, tribes, and political and economic affiliations in the constituent dioceses and countries of Sudan and South Sudan, that all people of faith and none will bear the burden of loving one another and experience the same in their personal and communal lives, even as they undertake their various missions and ministries in love and in service to each other. We pray that policies, programmes, actions, and thoughts of leaders and members of the church and other faith communities, as well as those of the political leadership, will be directed and motivated by love for one another regardless of gender, ethnicity, creed, and nationality; that the mission of the church will be motivated and undergirded by genuine love for all people of faith and none, acknowledging that all are created in the image and likeness of our Sovereign Lord. Pray for all who are socially disconnected, lonely and without any social connection or support.

## **Additional Prayers**

### **Thanksgiving and Celebration**

#### **✠ *Anglican Diocese of Seychelles***

Join us to thank God for the successful election, episcopal ordination, consecration, and enthronement of the Rt Rev Danny Rollan Henry Elizabeth as the new Bishop of the Diocese of Seychelles, succeeding the Most Rev. Dr. James Wang, who retired last year. Prior to his election to the episcopal office, Bishop Elizabeth trained as a teacher and taught Mathematics in primary and secondary schools in Seycehlles before entering ordained ministry. He was ordained a deacon on 12th December 1999 and a priest on 3rd December 2000 by the late Archbishop Emeritus French Chang-Him. On the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, in 2012 he was appointed Archdeacon of the Diocese of Seychelles. Join us to pray for him as he starts his episcopal ministry, and let us pray for the Diocese of Seychelles that Jesus' saying, *I came that they may have life and have it abundantly* (John 10:10) may find visible expression in the life of the diocese and in the nation of Seychelles under his leadership.

#### **✠ *Church of Uganda – Diocese of Masindi-Kitara***

We join the Church of Uganda in giving thanks for the successful election, episcopal ordination, consecration, and enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Joshua Kugonza as the third Bishop of Masindi-Kitara Diocese in the Church of Uganda. Join us in wishing the new Bishop well as he assumes the pastoral leadership of the diocese and sits in the Council of Bishops in the Church of Uganda. Let us pray that his face will be turned to God in prayer always and that the Lord will hear and answer his prayers on behalf of his people. Let us pray for the various ministers (lay and ordained) who will be working with the new Bishop and for all the faithful in the Diocese of Masindi-Kitara and in the Church of Uganda.

✠ *Church of Uganda*

We join the Church of Uganda, under the episcopal leadership of the Most Rev. Dr. Stephen Kaziimba, to give thanks to God for the success of the All Clergy Conference of the Church held at the Ugandan Chritia University between August 18 and 21 under the theme “The Good Shepherd and His Flock” (Ezekiel 34:1-31). Join us while giving thanks to also pray that the lessons learned at the conference will be used to enrich the ministries of the clergy and to expand God’s kingdom here on earth.

✠ *Anglican Diocese of Kumasi – Internal Province of Ghana*

We join the Mothers’ Union of the Anglican Diocese of Kumasi to give thanks to God for the successful celebration of their 2025 Mary Sumner Day under the theme “ Love in Action.” During the celebration, members of the Union donated assorted items of food, toiletries, and cleaning materials to the Kumasi Central Prison of the Ghana Prison Service and undertook pastoral and humanitarian visits to the inmates of the prison. Let us thank God for the ministry of the Mothers’ Union and other agencies of the Church while praying for those who find themselves in various forms of imprisonment at this time.

✠ *Anglican Diocese of Niger-Delta North*

We join the Diocese of Niger Delta North under the leadership of the Rt Rev Wisdom Budu Ihunwo JP DSSRS for the successful admission of the 2025 batch of Lay Readers for ministry in the various parishes and congregations of the Diocese. Join us to pray for various Lay ministries of the Church and their support for the advancement of God’s kingdom here on earth. Congratulations to those commissioned and for those preparing for other ministries in the Church.

✠ *Anglican Diocese of Butere – Anglican Church of Kenya*

We give thanks to God for the rededication service held at the St Stephen Parish, Inaya, in the Diocese of Butere. The service, presided over by the Rt Rev Rose Okeno, Bishop of the Diocese of Butere, also witnessed the confirmation of seventy new members and the planting of commemorative trees to mark the occasion. Preaching the sermon, Bishop Rose affirmed the words of Hebrews 11:1-16 and encouraged the confirmands to deepen their commitment to faith in God and they embark on their journeys of discipleship and services within God’s ministry through putting their faith into action. Join us in praying for these young ones as they continue on in their faith and for the shepherds (at home and in the church) who will support them. Congratulations to the confirmees and to the leadership of the parish of St Stephen and the Diocese of Butere.

✠ *Episcopal Church of South Sudan – Diocese of Juba*

Under the leadership of the Most Rev Dr Justin Badi Arama, Primate and Metropolitan Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Metropolitan Bishop of the Diocese of Juba, 195 candidates were admitted to the sacrament of confirmation, while 74 lay readers were licensed and commissioned at the St Augustine Parish, Joppa

in Munuki Archdeaconry of the Diocese. In his sermon, the Archbishop charged the confirmands and the lay readers to apply themselves to the service of the church from which they come and importantly, to be agents of change in fostering peace within their communities and in their parishes. Join us in praying for both the lay readers and the confirmees as they undertake their various ministries in their parishes and congregations.

✠ *Anglican Diocese of Bondo – Anglican Church of Kenya*

Join us to give thanks to GoD for the success of the Diocesan Clergy and Laity Conference of the Diocese of Bondo that opened on August 18 and ran for the full duration of the scheduled session. The four-day session provided the Diocese the opportunity to address several issues, including but not limited to retirement preparedness, resourcing for Church development, discipleship, and other pastoral issues. The conference was opened by the Diocesan Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Prof. David Kodia, and was assisted by the Assistant Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Emily Onyango, and Dr. (Mrs) Jennifer Kodia, Diocesan President of the Mothers' Union. As we give thanks to God, let us also pray that the outcomes of the discussions of the conference will incur benefits to the Diocese and the kingdom of God.

✠ *Anglican Diocese of Koforidua – Internal Province of Ghana*

We join the Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Felix Annacy and the leadership of the Anglican Diocese of Koforidua to give thanks to God for the success of the First Session of the 15th Synod of the Diocese held at the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, Koforidua, from 15 to 17 August 2025. In attendance were the Chancellor, Her Ladyship Justice Sophia Adinyira; the Bishop of the Methodist Church of Koforidua Diocese, Diocesan officials; representatives from the Regional Coordinating Council, the Diocese of Ho, the AME Zion Church, the Bible Society of Ghana, the Peace Council, and the Ghana Education Service. The synod was under the theme “Walking in Faith and Working in Obedience: Embracing God's Call to Faithful Discipleship” (1Jn.2:6). Join us to give thanks to God and to pray for the implementation of the decisions made for the advancement of the diocese and for the expansion of God's Church.

✠ *Episcopal Church of South Sudan – Diocese of Northern Bahr El Ghazal*

We join the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and in particular, the Internal Province of Northern Bahr El Ghazal to give thanks to God for the successful installation of the Most Rev Abraham Yel Nhial as the new Archbishop of the Internal Province and the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Wau. The installation service was presided over by the Metropolitan Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, the Most Rev Dr Justin Badi Arama and was attended by a large number of Archbishops, Bishops, Clergy, lay faithful of the Church as well as political and community leaders of Northern Bahr El Ghazal. In his remarks, His Grace, Archbishop Abraham Yel Nhial, pledged to carry forward the mission of Christ from where his predecessor, the Rt Rev Moses Deng Bol, left off, with humility and dedication to the flock of God. We join the

ECSS and the Internal Province of Northern Bahr El Ghazal to thank God for the journey mercies granted to all the delegations and for the new phase of ministry in the Internal Province and in the ECSS. Join us in praying for Most Rev Abraham and his family as he assumes his new role and office.

✠ *Church of Uganda – Diocese of West Ruwenzori*

We join the Diocese of West Ruwenzori to give thanks to God as they celebrate their second year of being carved out of the Ruwenzori Diocese and to celebrate the ministry of their first Bishop, the Rt Rev Barnabas Tibaijuka. We join them to give thanks for the successful Archiepiscopal visit of the Most Rev Stephen Kaziimba, Archbishop of the Church of Uganda to the diocese to offer pastoral support to the ministry and mission of the new diocese. We pray for the Diocesan Bishop and his team of Clerical and Lay ministers and for the faithful of the diocese as they labour to build God's kingdom in their contexts. Congratulations and best wishes in the Lord.

✠ *The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*

We invite you to join us in thanking God and celebrating 125 years of the mission partnership and Compact between the Order of Ethiopia (see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order\\_of\\_Ethiopia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order_of_Ethiopia)) and the Anglican Church of Southern Africa. The celebration was held in Makhanda, where members of the parishes celebrated the 1900 Compact and acknowledged the ministry of the Episcopal Church of Ethiopia and its ministries. The occasion was a moment of appreciative remembrance, celebration, theological reflection, and hopefulness for the future. Bishop Charles May of the Diocese of Highveld preached and presided over the Holy Eucharist Service on behalf of the Metropolitan of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, The Most Rev Dr Archbishop Thabo Makgoba. Join us to pray for the continued flourishing of the Compact agreement and mission between the Anglican Church of Southern Africa and the Episcopal Church of Ethiopia as a model of mission cooperation between Africa Anglican provinces and churches. To God be the glory.

✠ *The Anglican Church of Southern Africa – Diocese of Namibia*

We join the Anglican Diocese of Namibia to give thanks to God as they celebrate the centenary of mission in the country. The diocese covers the entire country of Namibia. It originated at the turn of the 20th century when clergy from the Diocese Cape Town visited the then South West Africa to minister mainly to the white expatriates, particularly of British descent, who were working in towns such as Walvisbay, Luderitz, Keetmashoop and Windhoek. It was from those humble beginnings that the Diocese of Damaraland, as it was formally known, was born, with Nelson Fogarty, a former Army Chaplain of the Union Forces of South Africa as its first bishop. The missionary work in Ovamboland was headed by Reverend (later Bishop) George Wolfe Robert Tobias, locally known as Tate Lukege. The Diocese of Damaraland was later renamed to Diocese of Namibia as the country was also later known. The name Namibia comes from the name Namib, which is derived from the centuries-old Namib Desert. The



100th Anniversary celebration and sermon was graced by the Primate of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, the Most Rev Dr Thabo Magkoba. We wish the Diocese well in the mission and ministry going forward.

## In Memoriam

### ✠ *Anglican Church of Ghana*

We join the Anglican Church of Ghana and the entire Ghanaian community to continue to pray for the repose of the souls of the eight (8) persons (including two ministers of state) who perished in a helicopter accident as they were visiting illegal mining sites in the Ashanti region of Ghana in August. The Anglican and Roman Catholic Bishops (led by Most Rev Dr Cyril Ben-Smith (Anglican Archbishop) and Cardinal Peter Appiah Turkson (the first Catholic Cardinal in Ghana) paid a visit to President John Dramani Mahama at his residence to offer their condolences to him and the people of Ghana. Join us to pray for the repose of the souls of the departed, and in particular for their families (wives and children) and their care.

## Upcoming Events

### ✠ *World Mission Congress*

Join us to pray for the upcoming World Mission Congress scheduled to take place in Abuja, Nigeria from October 1 - 4, 2025 under the theme, *Arise and Shine: Pushing the Frontier of Global Mission* (Isa. 6:1). This Congress will bring together Global Missions leaders, Missionaries, and other stakeholders to reflect on the progress of the Church's mission, share best practices, and strategize on how to advance the Gospel worldwide. We believe the Lord will stir the Global Church into a fresh strategic global mission engagement and movement.

## CAPA Triple Events

Please note the changes in the schedule for the CAPA Triple Events as indicated below:

### ✠ **CAPA ASSEMBLY**

Date: 17th - 22nd November 2025

Theme: **CAPA- an authentic instrument of Anglican mission in Africa**

### ✠ **CAPA@46**

This will be an evening event of celebration and awards for the 45 years of ministry of CAPA. Primates approved the suggestion for awards to be given to some deserving individuals, partners and institutions.

### ✠ **AABC III**

Date: 11th - 15th June, 2026 (Early arrivals from June 10th and departures on June 16th)

## Theme and sub-themes:

**Main Theme: The African Anglican Mission Agenda.**

**Sub-Themes:**

**a. The Africa Anglican Spirituality and Identity**

**b. Holistic Gospel Proclamation for a Self-Sustaining Anglican Church in Africa**

**c. The Anglican Church's Response to the paradoxes of the continent**

*i. Poverty in the midst of plenty*

*ii. Environmental and Climate Justice*

*iii. Gender-Based Violence and the integrity and safety of women and girls*

**d. An Africa Anglican Youth Ministry Agenda**

Please join us to pray towards the success of the Triple Events and for the needed resources. Pray especially for the work of the Planning Committee under the leadership of Archbishop Jackson Ole Sapit, Primate of Kenya and the Vice-Chairman of CAPA.

## CAPA'S Ministry

We invite you to continue praying for the undermentioned:

✠ CAPA's work in the year 2025 and for our role expressed as in the acronym **SPAACER**.

**Sustainability** – of the Church's presence and ministry on the continent

**Public Image** – shaping and upholding a positive image of the Anglican Church within Africa and in the global space.

**Accompanying** – Provinces in various processes and initiatives including peace-building

**Advocacy** - Shaping, coordinating, and participating in advocacy initiatives with Provinces and other organizations.

**Coordinating** – creating safe space for Provinces to interact and engage on relevant pastoral issues with some sense of coherence.

**Equipping** – the Church leadership at various levels with appropriate skills for effective functioning as transformational leaders

**Renewing** - Church life and fellowship between the provinces as well as their commitment to the Africa transforming agenda.

✠ For resource support and commitment to:

2025 Core Budget Funding and Programmes

Sustainable Theological Education in Africa in 2025

## National Days

Join us to remember and pray this month for the Independence Anniversaries and/or National Days of –

1 October	The Republic of Guinea: Independence Day
1 October	The Federal Republic of Nigeria: National Day
4 October	The Kingdom of Lesotho: Independence Day
9 October	The Republic of Uganda: Independence Day
12 October	The Republic of Equatorial Guinea: Independence Day
24 October	The Republic of Zambia: Independence Day

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Wed 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoff Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Kenya <i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services</i> <i>See p. 6</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Older Persons</li> </ul>
Thu 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoff Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Tim Harris, and Sophie Relf-Christopher, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Melanesia <i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Non-Violence</li> </ul>
Fri 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea	
Sat 4	<p>Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher († 1226)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, Bishop Scott Lowery, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Central Africa</li> <li><i>The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Space Week begins (till 10 October)</li> </ul>
Sun 5	<p>Ordinary Sunday 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Myanmar</li> <li><i>CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desk</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Teachers' Day</li> </ul>

Mon 6	<p>William Tyndale, biblical scholar († 1536)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church in the Philippines</li> <li><i>E-CARE, a community development organisation of the ECP</i></li> </ul> <p><i>See p. 7</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Habitat Day</li> </ul>
Tue 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop Jeremy Greaves, Bishops Cameron Venables, John Roundhill and Sarah Plowman, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East</li> <li><i>The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk</i></li> </ul> <p><i>See p. 6</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Cotton Day</li> </ul>
Wed 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Philippine Independent Church – (<i>Iglesia Filipina Independiente</i>, IFI)</li> <li><i>VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development</i></li> </ul>	
Thu 9	<p>The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short (Primate-Elect); Bishops Carol Wagner and Vanessa Bennett, the clergy and people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Post Day</li> </ul>

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<b>Fri 10</b>	Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia <i>The Anglican Missions Board, AMB</i> <i>See p. 4</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Mental Health Day</li> </ul>
<b>Sat 11</b>	The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – <i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> – 香港聖公會 <i>See p. 5</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of the Girl Child</li> </ul>
<b>Sun 12</b>	Ordinary Sunday 28 The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Japan – <i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> – 日本聖公会) <i>See p. 5</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Migratory Bird Day</li> </ul>
<b>Mon 13</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Korea – Daehan Seonggonghoe – 대한성공회 <i>See p. 7</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction</li> </ul>



<b>Tue 14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Bangladesh</li> </ul>	
<b>Wed 15</b>	<p>Teresa of Ávila, teacher († 1592)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop-Elect Rick Thorpe; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<p>The Church of Ceylon</p> <p><i>See p. 4</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Rural Women</li> </ul>
<b>Thu 16</b>	<p>Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, bishops and martyrs († 1555)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart; Bishops Charlie Murry and Sonia Roulston, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of North India</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Food Day</li> </ul>
<b>Fri 17</b>	<p>Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr († ca. 115)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Pakistan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</li> </ul>
<b>Sat 18</b>	<p>Luke, Evangelist and Martyr</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Darrell Parker, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of South India</li> </ul>	

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Sun 19	<p>Ordinary Sunday 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishops Kate Wilmot, Hans Christiansen and David Bassett, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of South-East Asia (covers Malaysia and Singapore, with missionary congregations in Nepal, Indonesia, Thailand and some parts of Indo-China)</li> </ul>	
Mon 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of South Sudan</li> <li><i>The Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA</i> <i>See p. 8</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Statistics Day</li> </ul>
Tue 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Sudan</li> </ul>	
Wed 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel; Bishops Peter Lin, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Hayward, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council</li> </ul>	

<b>Thu</b> <b>23</b>	<p>James of Jerusalem, brother of our Lord, martyr († ca. 62)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, Bishop Chris Jones, the</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nungalinya College, Darwin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of the Snow Leopard</li> </ul>
<b>Fri</b> <b>24</b>	<p>United Nations, inaugurated 1945</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Murray – the Ven Simon Waters (Administrator), the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pray for the staff and students of Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns, as they grieve the college's closure.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disarmament Week begins (till 30 October)</li> <li>Global Media and Information Literacy Week begins (till 31 October)</li> <li>World Development Information Day</li> </ul>
<b>Sat</b> <b>25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)</li> </ul>	
<b>Sun</b> <b>26</b>	<p><b>Ordinary Sunday 30</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alongside Hope (formerly the Primate's Fund for World Relief and Development, Canada)</li> </ul>	
<b>Mon</b> <b>27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeremy James TSSF, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USPG (UK and Ireland)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Day for Audiovisual Heritage</li> </ul>

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Tue 28	Simon and Jude, apostles and martyrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy</li> </ul>	
	<b>Centenary of the Foundation of the Melanesian Brotherhood</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers</li> </ul>		
Wed 29	<b>175th Anniversary of ABM's Foundation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Care and Support</li> </ul>
Thu 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa <i>See p. 9</i></li> </ul>	
Fri 31	Martin Luther († 1546) and other Continental Reformers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religious Orders of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Mothers' Union</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Cities Day</li> </ul>
<b>Displacements and/or Omissions this month:</b> 12 Oct – Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer, England († 1845) 19 Oct – Henry Martyn, missionary and Bible translator in India and Persia († 1812)			