



July 2019

'Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever'
Psalm 136:1

Fundraising / Supporters

Monday 1 July

Today is Princess Diana's Birthday. Diana was a patron of the Leprosy Mission. Pray and remember her love and compassion for the marginalized. During Diana's visits to leprosy hospitals, she sat on patients' beds, shook their hands and gently held a bandaged and deformed leg. Diana helped to dispel the long-held myth that leprosy can be passed on by touch. Pray for an end of the deep-rooted social stigma attached to leprosy.

Tuesday 2 July

Praise God for the ongoing support from our loyal supporters. Their help is absolutely vital to people affected by leprosy. Without their support, it would not be possible for indigent people affected by leprosy to afford the care they need to overcome leprosy. Give thanks for people who believe in our vision and mission, who support us through donations, prayers and advocacy.

Wednesday 3 July

Give thanks and praise for the wonderful supporters who have chosen to leave a lasting gift in their Will to support the work of LMNZ. Over the years through the commitment of supporters making a lasting gift, thousands of leprosy-affected people have been cured, cared for and restored to health. Pray that supporters would continue to prayerfully consider leaving LMNZ a bequest in their Wills.

Thursday 4 July

We give thanks and gratitude to our moneybox supporters who faithfully aid leprosy-affected people through our Moneybox Programme. Praise God for our nationwide moneybox collectors who devote their time in collecting money from different locations and from friends and family thus raising awareness as well as funds. Pray for the continued growth and spread of our Moneybox Programme

Friday 5 July

Give thanks to people who have financially supported the Youth Advocate Programme. Our 2018 Youth Advocates raised funds for some advanced equipment for the Prosthetic & Orthotics workshop at Anandaban Hospital in Nepal. Praise the 2018 Youth Advocates for their time and commitment in completing their fundraising goals. Pray for our Youth Advocates as they continue to support leprosy affected people, families and communities.

Saturday 6 July/ Sunday 7 July

Our 2019 Youth Advocates are raising funds for the upgrade of a vehicle for the effective delivery of services at the Leprosy Mission's Anandaban Hospital. Pray for successful fundraising initiatives for Youth Advocates and that more people will be willing to support those affected by leprosy.

New Opportunities

Monday 8 July

Give thanks for the re-engagement of Rhema FM. As Rhema FM partner with LMNZ to highlight on air the Cure One programme, pray that many of the listeners respond to the call to action. Pray that the wider New Zealand community will open their hearts in love and

compassion, and that they would be encouraged by the many messages on air to support people affected by leprosy.

Tuesday 9 July

Pray that the many listeners to Rhema FM belonging to different churches will choose to recognise people affected by leprosy in forthcoming events or services and that their congregations will be inspired to greater support and involvement.

Wednesday 10 July

Praise the Lord! Muzaffarpur Hospital which New Zealand has supported for many years in India is now self-sustaining and able to provide leprosy treatment free to people affected by leprosy. This is paid for through fee paying from general patients. This allows LMNZ to now raise funds for Salun Hospital as a new opportunity in India. Pray for the success of this initiative.

Thursday 11 July

The Leprosy Mission New Zealand now supports The Leprosy Mission Trust India's Children United for Action educational initiative. Pray that through this programme, children affected by leprosy from vulnerable backgrounds will receive educational opportunities and grow in self-esteem and self-confidence.

Friday 12 July

The Leprosy Mission Timor Leste has been active since 2003, pushing towards elimination of leprosy and the decrease of discrimination against persons with leprosy and disability, so that they can be fully integrated in their communities. We pray for unity and agreement within the leadership structures as they move towards establishing a local Board.

Saturday 13 July/ Sunday 14 July

We pray for TLM Italy, a small group that work on a voluntary basis, and their desire to join the Global Fellowship. Their greatest need is to find more supporters and involve them in the work. Pray for the Italian public to be inspired to support the work of The Leprosy Mission Italy.

Annual Appeal

Monday 15 July

We are writing to our supporters about Heizen a twelve year old boy who has not returned to school because he has been ostracised by his school friends for having leprosy. Pray the Annual Appeal is well received and people open their hearts to support our work in Papua New Guinea. Pray that the Annual Appeal reaches its target and that we are able to help Heizen and others like him who are affected by leprosy.

Tuesday 16 July

The Leprosy Mission is leading the work in Papua New Guinea. Through the 'Sustainable Livelihoods Development Project', the New Zealand Aid Programme is also matching our fundraising with \$4 for every \$1 that is donated to the match target. Pray New Zealand supporters will take advantage of this opportunity to multiply their impact and support this Annual Appeal.

Wednesday 17 July

Heizen lives in a poverty-stricken area of Port Moresby, the capital of Papua New Guinea. He enjoyed learning and especially playing touch rugby with his friends. Leprosy has caused his hands to claw and he finds it difficult to catch the rugby ball. Pray for the cure, care and restoration of children like Heizen and that they will have a future free from leprosy.

Thursday 18 July

The heartbreaking reality is that without access to the full 12 month cure for leprosy, Heizen's hand will continue to claw and he will never be able to perform even simple tasks or play his beloved rugby. Pray for the Leprosy Mission volunteer Community Facilitators who refer children like Heizen for diagnosis and support them at the health centres to ensure they receive the full course of the cure.

Friday 19 July

Give thanks to our loyal supporters who bless our work with their gifts that allow children like Heizen and others to be able to receive a cure – and hope for a future that is free from the curse of leprosy. Give thanks for the compassion and love they show

when they help to transform the lives of leprosy-affected people all over the world.

Saturday 20 July / Sunday 21 July

Praise God for the New Zealand Government's Aid Programmes on-going support for our projects in Papua New Guinea and Bougainville. Praise also for the thousands of NZ supporters for donating to and praying for this work. Pray for all staff in Papua New Guinea and Bougainville as they look at creating income generation opportunities which will help lift communities out of poverty and give them a future free from leprosy.

Coast FM

Monday 22 July

Praise for radio station Coast who will be hosting their 6th Leprosy Mission Day. On Wednesday from 6am to 7pm, announcers on Coast Radio will be discussing our work with staff, volunteers and Youth Advocates on air. They will be presenting our Really Good Gifts and asking listeners to help people affected by leprosy. Pray this special day will encourage listeners to join with us as we Cure, Care for and Restore people affected by leprosy.

Tuesday 23 July

Pray for the radio announcers and all those who will advocate for people affected by leprosy on air, that their messages might inspire a wider audience and raise visibility of the needs of people affected by leprosy and the work of LMNZ. Pray that their messages would be far reaching, gripping the hearts of every listener and calling them to action.

Wednesday 24 July

Pray that the hearts of every listener would be challenged today as it is Coast Really Good Gifts Day today. Pray for the event, smooth coordination and positive results. Pray that the listeners open their hearts to the injustices faced by people affected by leprosy and that they will be inspired to call in and offer their support. Pray that this day on air will catapult the work of LMNZ and forge new relationships.

Thursday 25 July

Praise for Lorna Subritzky from Coast Radio who joined LMNZ on the Supporter Tour to Nepal last year. She had the opportunity to witness the positive impact on

the lives of people affected by leprosy, which were only made possible because of our kind supporters. Lorna shared her journey on air. Pray that Coast FM listeners will be stirred into action by responding to the Really Good Gifts Day.

Friday 26 July

Your prayers and support bring hope and a brighter future to people affected by leprosy, like Maya and Mamata. Praise for Coast FM, who every year in July raise money for LMNZ through Really Good Gifts Day. Praise for Lorna who was able to share Maya and Mamata's story on air and raise awareness to a wider audience, of how difficult it is for families affected by leprosy. Maya was given a Really Good Gift of a sewing machine to help earn income for her family.

Saturday 27 July/ Sunday 28 July

Pray and give thanks for all the leprosy-affected people, families and communities who were able to be assisted by the money raised from the annual Coast FM Really Good Gifts Day. Give thanks that through this platform we were able to raise awareness, knowledge and funds for people affected by leprosy.

New Zealand

Monday 29 July

Leprosy is a significant yet manageable disease, and with enough help, it can be overcome within a generation. Therefore, gathering New Zealander's support for the Mission's work is fundamental in defeating leprosy and transforming the lives of people affected by leprosy. Pray for God's provision and guidance that LMNZ will be successful in acquiring new and committed supporters.

Tuesday 30 July

Give thanks for the faithful support from churches around New Zealand. Many have supported us for decades and collectively have transformed the lives of thousands of people affected by leprosy.

Wednesday 31 July

Pray that our loyal supporters always feel valued and inspired to continue in this role and encourage others to support the Mission work. Pray that they empower people to attain healing, dignity and life in all its fullness.