



Prayer & Praise

Strengthening the Leprosy Mission
Family through Prayer

April 2026

*“Carry each other’s burdens,
and in this way you will fulfil the
law of Christ.” Galatians 6:2*

Indonesia

Wednesday 1 April

Pray for the Neglected Tropical Diseases team of the Indonesian Ministry of Health. Please pray that they will be blessed with new ideas, regulations and the spirit for improving leprosy control. Pray that the Leprosy Health Workers remain enthusiastic in their roles, performing wholeheartedly and increasing the capacity for improving leprosy control.

Thursday 2 April

Please pray for good collaboration among all parties interested in working towards zero leprosy. Pray that their work will contribute towards the reduction of the stigma against leprosy in the communities. Pray that more people, including people affected by leprosy, will fight together against leprosy.

Friday 3 April

“But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners Christ died for us”. Romans 5:8 This is the day on which we celebrate the very truth that Jesus died on our behalf, taking our sin on Himself. Give thanks for God in the flesh, making the way for us to have a relationship with Him.

Saturday 4 April/ Sunday 5 April

Easter. We are so blessed to have God who hears us and listens to us. Give thanks that we can commemorate Jesus’ resurrection, through which we no longer fear death.

“The sting of death is sin, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord”. 1 Corinthians 15:56

Bougainville

Monday 6 April

Give thanks to God for His wonderful healing for people affected by leprosy who have been confirmed as cured after completing their treatment. These patients live in the communities served by the Bougainville Healthy Communities Programme (BHCP) and can now take part in community activities and live a normal life. Give thanks for the support of the Leprosy Control Officer and the local health facilities.

Tuesday 7 April

Give thanks to God for the guidance and hope He has given to the Community Health Promoters (CHPs) who work tirelessly in leprosy hotspot areas. Their commitment and support in working with people affected by leprosy have been praised by the communities and the people affected by leprosy themselves. They see the CHPs bringing hope by educating about leprosy and supporting people’s treatment in such isolated areas.

Wednesday 8 April

One need identified by the BHCP was for the training of Healthcare Workers at local health facilities, to be able to identify reactions in patients to leprosy and other Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs). This training has been carried out for Healthcare Workers in South Bougainville through the partnership between the BHCP and the national Dept. of Health NTD Division. Give thanks for the success of the partnership and the training, so the Healthcare Workers are now well-trained about leprosy and other NTDs.

Thursday 9 April

It has been the prayer of the BHCP that their partnership with the national Dept. of Health will progress according to God’s plan. A new Dept. of Health Acting Secretary has been appointed. He is a strong supporter of the BHCP programme, and they are

now working in good relationship with him. Please give thanks for Alois Pukienei on his new role and pray for discernment, wisdom and integrity in his leadership of the Department of Health.

Friday 10 April

Nissan Island is remotely located in the outer atolls of Bougainville. Climate change has impacted villagers in terms of local food sustainability, water, sanitation and economic activities. Travel to the island is risky and challenging when there is bad weather. BHCP field officer Henry Jimmy is stationed there and carries out the Health Promotion Programme on the island. Please pray for Jimmy as he prepares for Health Promotion Training for the Community Health Promoters, which will be held this month. We pray for God’s grace and mercy and commit the weather situation to God.

Saturday 11 April/ Sunday 12 April

The second year phase of the BHCP ends in May, so planning for Year 3 activities and reporting is underway. An annual reflection of the programme is planned for this month. This will involve BHCP staff and local stakeholders. Please pray as the BHCP reflects on the implementation and impacts of the programme, which will help to guide the way forward.

Myanmar

Monday 13 April

Please pray that church leaders and members will remain strong in faith and hope in God, especially when they must respond to emergency situations and difficult conditions. Pray that God will bless the ministries and projects carried out by the churches, so that they bring hope, healing and inclusion to people affected by disability and leprosy.

Tuesday 14 April

Let us pray for Myanmar, where hospitals, doctors, and Leprosy Inspectors who can treat leprosy reactions and complications are very limited. May God guide the government to give greater attention to leprosy care and ensure that people affected by leprosy receive proper treatment.

Wednesday 15 April

Let us pray for the partnership between The Leprosy Mission Myanmar and Centre Special Skin Clinic as TLM Myanmar provides medicines to people affected by leprosy. May God use these medicines as a blessing so that patients receive healing and restoration.

Thursday 16 April

Please pray that service users will not face difficulties travelling to and from prosthetic service centres. Also, pray that new leprosy cases can be identified and referred for appropriate support and services in a timely manner.

Friday 17 April

As global energy instability continues to affect costs, please pray that fuel shortages and transportation challenges will not hinder programme implementation. Pray that staff will be able to travel safely and without delays to villages and project areas to carry out field activities, training, awareness programmes and data collection.

Saturday 18 April/ Sunday 19 April

Please pray for the safety and security of all staff and church volunteers who travel for mobile activities, project implementation and community services. As the weather becomes very hot, please pray that staff, persons with disabilities and community members will be protected from heat-related health problems.

India**Monday 20 April**

Give thanks that the Country Strategy 2026-30 has been developed and is now in place. Please pray for God's guidance, wisdom, and discernment in running all the units, programmes and projects in alignment with the new Country Strategy.

Tuesday 21 April

New allied health courses have been introduced in The Leprosy Mission India's Institute of Health & Science Research and in hospitals. Please pray for an increase in students affected by leprosy and other disabilities, and those from marginalised backgrounds who benefit from the new allied health courses.

Wednesday 22 April

Please pray for God's abundant grace on instructors and students at the Vocational Training Centres, and their families. Please pray that the students will be motivated and able to learn the skills that will equip them for a better life when they graduate. May the instructors carry out their training with compassion and integrity.

Thursday 23 April

The hospitals run by TLM Trust India have an ongoing need for more surgeons and general physicians. Please pray that God will fill this need with professionals with compassion and hearts for people affected by leprosy and disability.

Friday 24 April

Give praise to God for TLM TI's continued engagement with the government through the training of Government Health Workers and through advocacy for people affected by leprosy. Give thanks for the progress in repealing discriminatory laws across states.

Saturday 25 April/ Sunday 26 April

Please pray for God's healing hands for inpatients and outpatients. Many of those who need prayer have leprosy reactions and complicated ulcers. Give thanks for God's grace, mercy and blessing upon all patients, hospital staff and their families.

Papua New Guinea**Monday 27 April**

Please pray for the staff members of The Leprosy Mission PNG who are preparing the annual reports for the Preventative Health & Community Empowerment Programme (PHACE) and the Climate Change Resilience Programme. Please pray that the reports can be prepared on time and will show how people's lives are being changed.

Tuesday 28 April

Give thanks for the work being carried out in communities through the PHACE Programme. Pray that the PHACE end of year Programme Evaluation will show the positive results of the programme as well as the challenges that have been faced. Also, pray that all the stakeholders will commit to facing the challenges shown

by the evaluation, resulting in great improvement in the lives of local people, including those affected by leprosy and disability.

Wednesday 29 April

Please pray for great progress in the identification of children affected by leprosy. Pray that more young people can be diagnosed earlier in the progression of the disease, before their lives are marred by disability.

Thursday 30 April

Grade 2 patients are people with leprosy who are also suffering from some form of disability caused by leprosy. This may be a limb amputation, serious ulcers or clawed fingers caused by nerve damage. Please pray that people affected by leprosy who have these or other disabilities in PNG can access appropriate treatment that will restore dignity and healing to their lives.