

# **Prayer & Praise**

Strengthening the Leprosy Mission Family through Prayer

December 2025

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" Luke 2:14

## Myanmar

## Monday 1 December

Please lift up the church-based activities in Hoa Do and Chaung Zone. Pray for God's blessing over every plan and program, that all activities for the remaining part of the year may be carried out successfully and bear good fruit. Pray for health, strength and protection for the church volunteers, keeping them safe as they serve people affected by leprosy and persons with disabilities.

# **Tuesday 2 December**

Pray for the service users, including persons affected by leprosy, to gain dignity by having assistive devices. Pray for travelling mercy as they travel to the rehabilitation workshops and back to their respective townships, as some places are difficult to access.

## Wednesday 3 December

The ongoing civil war has led to travel restrictions and an increase in checkpoints, further limiting access to healthcare services. Please pray for safety, peace, and improved accessibility to medical care for those in need.

## Thursday 4 December

We pray for our staff members who are going through a difficult and challenging time. Grant them strength, peace of mind, and wisdom to face each day with hope and courage. Surround them with support and encouragement so they may not feel alone. We also bring all elderly parents before You — please bless them with good health, renewed strength, comfort and protection.

## Friday 5 December

Pray for the safety and effectiveness of our partners operating in active conflict areas. They are on the front lines, bringing essential services to vulnerable populations, including persons with disabilities and families torn apart by war.

## Saturday 6 December/ Sunday 7 December

Pray for lasting partnerships between The Leprosy Mission Myanmar and organisations that have contributed relief aid since the earthquake. Ask that these grants would do more than provide immediate relief; pray they would build a foundation for long-term, transformative support for those who need it most.

#### Indonesia

## **Monday 8 December**

Please pray for safety and peace in Indonesian society as the country faces various challenges. Please pray for goodness and peace so that the Leprosy Control Programme runs more smoothly and with greater well-being for people affected by leprosy.

# **Tuesday 9 December**

Please pray for the Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) team working for the Ministry of Health. Pray that they will be blessed with enthusiasm and good ideas on how to improve leprosy control. Give thanks for the Leprosy Health Workers and pray that they will perform their duties wholeheartedly.

#### Wednesday 10 December

Please pray that the Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEPCOM) research project in Indramayu runs smoothly in accordance with the work plan. Pray for continued good health for the project team. Pray that the relevant stakeholders will continue to support the project.

## **Thursday 11 December**

Give thanks for the organisations of persons affected by leprosy. Please pray that through their efforts, people affected by leprosy will become more confident and independent, able to voice their needs to stakeholders.

## Friday 12 December

Give thanks for the efforts of the Leprosy Control Programme and the PEPCOM project. Pray that their efforts will result in the reduction of stigma against people affected by leprosy in the communities. Also, pray that people affected by leprosy can join the fight against leprosy and the stigma.

## Saturday 13 December/ Sunday 14 December

Please pray a blessing on all the people who have been supporting the work in Indonesia and those who have provided donations to eliminate leprosy and its consequences. Pray for good health and prosperity.

## Papua New Guinea

## Monday 15 December

Please give thanks to the Lord for his leading and protection. When the team have faced challenges, God has consistently provided help and guidance. Please continue to pray for the safety of staff and volunteers as they travel to and work in remote communities.

# **Tuesday 16 December**

Please pray for the country to remain peaceful following the local-level government elections. Pray that newly elected local body members will work collaboratively with The Leprosy Mission PNG so that the programmes can continue making an impact in local communities.

## Wednesday 17 December

Please pray for all the people affected by leprosy who are undergoing treatment. Pray that they can get the

medication and will take it as required. Also, please give thanks for all the volunteers who are active in finding cases of leprosy and raising awareness in the communities. Pray that God will bless them and their families and that they will be encouraged in what they do.

## Thursday 18 December

Give thanks that significant progress has been made on the PNG Climate Change Resilience Programme. The programme was introduced to fifteen targeted communities, and more funding has been provided by the NZ government to extend the programme. Please pray that sustainable practices will become embedded and that people will be empowered for change.

#### Friday 19 December

The referral pathways established through the Preventative Health and Community Empowerment Programme aim to ensure that people affected by leprosy, vulnerable and marginalised people feel safe and included in their communities. Give thanks that there is an increasing number of suspected cases of leprosy being found through active case finding. Please pray for continued improvement in people's lives.

## Saturday 20 December/ Sunday 21 December

Please thank God for the staff of TLM PNG and their families. Pray that the staff members will grow in knowledge and confidence in their roles. Also, pray that they will grow in understanding and in empathy for people affected by leprosy and disability.

## Bangladesh

# Monday 22 December

Please pray regarding the restructure of the National Leprosy Programme (NLP). Ask for God's intervention so that coordination between the government of Bangladesh, The Leprosy Mission Bangladesh and other partners may be strengthened.

# **Tuesday 23 December**

Continue praying that the National Leprosy Programme will ensure that leprosy treatment,

rehabilitation and community-based services will be strengthened. Pray that people affected by leprosy can get uninterrupted services as they need them.

## Wednesday 24 December

The Leprosy Mission Bangladesh are planning for the opening of a new laboratory in January 2026. Please pray for a smooth inauguration and successful operation of the new laboratory. Give thanks for this new facility and pray that it will be instrumental in advancing leprosy research and diagnosis.

## **Thursday 25 December**

On this Christmas Day, as we celebrate God's Gift of His Grace to us, give thanks for God's Grace and mercy on two patients affected by leprosy who doctors were concerned would need leg amputations. Give thanks that after two months of treatment and care at DBLM Hospital, doctors have confirmed that amputation is no longer necessary. Give thanks for the love and care provided at this leprosy hospital.

#### Friday 26 December

Give thanks that Mr A H, a thirty-five-year-old- old man with a disability caused by leprosy, is receiving treatment at Chandraghona Leprosy Hospital. Please pray for Mr A H and others like him, as his family do not visit or care for him due to leprosy. The stigma of leprosy in Bangladesh is very strong, so please pray that ways can be found to break down the stigma and end discrimination that people affected by leprosy suffer.

## Saturday 27 December/ Sunday 28 December

Please pray for wisdom for the Senior Leadership Team of The Leprosy Mission Bangladesh. The mid-term Strategic Review will be carried out in the first quarter of 2026. Please pray that the review will be successfully carried out and will provide clarity for the way forward to meet the objectives.

# Bougainville

## Monday 29 December

Tororei Community is one of the many communities that the Bougainville Healthy Communities Programme (BHCP) works in. This community is a hotspot area for TB and Leprosy. Give thanks that in the first week of November 2025, the BHCP trainers and the Health Facility staff conducted a mass tracking and screening

programme of the Tororei community and started treatment on eleven patients.

## **Tuesday 30 December**

The team that conducted the mass tracking and screening programme in Tororei have planned another house-to-house visit. Please pray for success so that more people affected by leprosy and TB can be found and started on treatment. Please pray that all those diagnosed will be able to complete their treatment and be healed.

#### Wednesday 31 December

The work of the BHCP covers health promotion for communities in Bougainville. Give thanks that the Community Health Promoters (CHP), the District Facilitators and the staff of the government health facilities have successfully rolled out Polio vaccination for children 0-10. Give praise, glory and honour to God that the target for polio vaccination has almost been reached.