



## Prayer & Praise

**Strengthening the Leprosy Mission  
Family through Prayer**

**November 2025**

***“The true light that gives light  
to everyone was coming into  
the world.” John 1:9***

### **Nepal**

#### **Saturday 1 November/ Sunday 2 November**

Please pray for God's wisdom and guidance for The Leprosy Mission Nepal leadership team, the Programmes staff, community people and other stakeholders. The Strategic Plan for the next five years is under development. Considering the recent landslide and vulnerability of Anandaban Hospital long-term decisions need to be made.

### **Bougainville**

#### **Monday 3 November**

Leprosy Control monitoring and tracking efforts in communities with a high prevalence of leprosy are showing more people coming forward for help and support to overcome leprosy. Give thanks that people are overcoming the shame and stigma of leprosy to receive the cure for leprosy and improve their lives.

#### **Tuesday 4 November**

The people of Bougainville voted on 5 September to elect new constituency Members of Parliament and other members of the Autonomous Bougainville Government (ABG). Please pray that God will bless the newly elected leaders and that they will support the Bougainville Healthy Communities Programme in the delivery of important health programmes throughout Bougainville.

#### **Wednesday 5 November**

The recent Autonomous Bougainville Government (ABG) election and the formation of a new House of Representatives mean the Bougainville Healthy Communities Programme (BHCP) will be operating in a new political environment and with unknown challenges ahead. Please pray that God will give wisdom and continued guidance to the Management, staff, and partners of the BHCP.

#### **Thursday 6 November**

The BHCP has begun a Health Promotion Training Programme for 800 Community Health Promoters. They will be trained to be a community-based support arm for the BHCP. Please pray that God will bless these Community Health Promoters as they commence their roles to promote health in their assigned communities.

#### **Friday 7 November**

The ABG Department of Health (DOH) is conducting a campaign against polio. Early in September, training focusing on social mobilisation components of the campaign was given to BHCP staff. Give thanks that the ABG DOH considers the BHCP Programme as an important partner to support the department in achieving the 90 % target coverage of the polio campaign. Please pray for success for the campaign so that people can live safer lives free from the fear of this disease.

#### **Saturday 8 November/ Sunday 9 November**

BHCP Programme staff were recommended to use all avenues and effectively use the CHP (Community Health Promoters) network structure to roll out the pre-campaign activities for the polio campaign. Let us pray for acceptance by the key stakeholders to support the work of the CHPs and field staff for the polio campaign.

### **India**

#### **Monday 10 November**

In January of this year, the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities said that there are still 750 leprosy colonies in India that remain segregated from mainstream society. Please pray for urgent collective efforts to end the discrimination associated with leprosy. Also, pray that comprehensive solutions to the legal challenges faced by individuals affected by leprosy will ensure their rights and dignity.

#### **Tuesday 11 November**

Pray a blessing on all the individuals and organisations supporting the work of No Leprosy Remains Indonesia. Pray that those making donations towards the elimination of leprosy and its consequences will have good health and fulfilling lives. Please pray that more philanthropists will be moved to contribute towards eradicating leprosy.

#### **Wednesday 12 November**

Because of the varied manifestations of leprosy, TLMTI, in dealing with the various problems of the disease, has acquired experience and skills in various medical and surgical disciplines. Give thanks that this means that hospitals and clinics run by TLMTI can provide services such as general surgery, general medicine, and disability prevention and management. They can also offer services such as Ophthalmology and Dermatology.

#### **Thursday 13 November**

Give thanks that all TLMTI hospitals are recognised by the Government of India as tertiary leprosy referral hospitals. Give thanks that providing services to other disadvantaged groups in the local community gives an opportunity for members of the local community to interact with people affected by leprosy and helps in reducing stigma.

#### **Friday 14 November**

TLMTI is a member of the International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP) and plays a major role in the implementation of the Government of India's National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP). Give thanks that in two states, TLMTI works as NLEP coordinator and supports the government in training NLEP staff to diagnose leprosy.

**Saturday 15 November/ Sunday 16 November**

Thank the Lord that TLMTI has five residential Snehayas or Houses of Love. Give thanks that, at the Snehayas TLMTI provides holistic geriatric care to elderly persons affected by leprosy. These people have been rejected by their families because of the stigma associated with leprosy and leprosy-related disabilities.

**Timor Leste****Monday 17 November**

Give thanks that The Preventative Health and Community Empowerment (PHACE) programme in Timor Leste is supported by the NZ Government (NZ Aid programme). Please pray for the success of collaborative relationships between The Leprosy Mission Timor Leste and Community Leaders and Village Health Volunteers, leading to healthier communities.

**Tuesday 18 November**

Please pray that the comprehensive training programme for volunteers will ensure that health knowledge becomes part of life at the community level. Learning, sharing and ownership of knowledge empower community decision-making, leading to actions that can transform people's lives. Give thanks that the training and intervention activities in communities have resulted in a greater number of women taking leadership roles.

**Wednesday 19 November**

The referral pathways established ensure that people affected by leprosy and other 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 that more cases of leprosy can be found before disability develops in the people affected.

**Thursday 20 November**

The diagnosis of leprosy can shock people into a crisis of shame and isolation. Give thanks that people affected by leprosy in Timor Leste can get the medication they need to be cured. Markings on the skin can disappear, and people have no need to hide

in shame. Please pray that everyone who needs it can have access to the treatment they need.

**Friday 21 November**

A major emphasis of the PHACE Programme is to improve the knowledge and skills of the teams that deploy PHACE in communities, including health staff and volunteers. Give thanks for the training that is regularly undertaken to build on the knowledge the health staff and volunteers have. Pray that the increase in knowledge and experience will result in positive change for people in communities.

**Saturday 22 November/ Sunday 23 November**

Another important focus is to establish a partnership with health posts and build the capacity of local health professionals. Give thanks for positive attitudes and the willingness to learn and pray that this will continue. Please pray that the improved capacity will result in trust and respect for the health professionals from those they are treating and advising.

**New Zealand****Monday 24 November**

With your support, The Leprosy Mission NZ works in some of the poorest and most remote areas in the world. Please pray that we can improve the impact of the work to combat leprosy and support innovation that can accelerate progress towards No Child with leprosy by 2035.

**Tuesday 25 November**

Give thanks to God for the ability to connect young people who have a heart for mission to our Youth Advocate Scholarship Programme. Please praise God that these young advocates have taken a step of faith and have set their hearts on making a difference by serving people affected by leprosy.

**Wednesday 26 November**

The Leprosy Mission NZ carries out social media campaigns to raise awareness of the work to defeat leprosy and to raise funds for the work. Please pray that these initiatives will bear fruit and that we will be able to reach new supporters through new avenues of communication.

**Thursday 27 November**

Give thanks to God for being able to partner with the NZ Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade to set up the Preventative Health and Community Empowerment Programme in Kiribati. Please pray for the successful rollout and significant impact on the lives of people affected by leprosy.

**Friday 28 November**

Give thanks for our faithful supporters, who support the mission's work in prayer and with finances. Please pray that God will bless them abundantly as they continue to bring hope and lasting change to the lives of people affected by leprosy.

**Saturday 29 November/ Sunday 30 November**

Praise God for the many churches around NZ who raise awareness of the work of The Leprosy Mission and support people affected by leprosy. Please pray that we can engage with churches from all denominations and that they will be moved to support the Mission's work in defeating leprosy and transforming lives.