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Our four-year-old washing machine died a while ago. I am the sort of bloke who investigates a product and checks it out thoroughly to ensure we are getting value for money. In the back of my head somewhere hides a view that a washing machine should last at least 15 years. We should have recognised the signs of decay; the door would not close properly, which meant the machine would not start on demand and it was only with a great deal of door wriggling and patient coaxing that the machine would start at all - until it 'died', that is. When that happened, the door rattling this time was accompanied with a "phtt", the lights went off and the machine was a washer no more. With a great pile of washing to do, who could come to the rescue? In a remote town, the choices were limited. The local electrician declared that he had stopped fixing washers years ago. "Too many types," he said. "Get a new one!" So we did. Who knows how long this will last? "These things are not designed to last," said a friend. "Planned obsolescence." Sad thought, really.

I realised that this was in one sense like our world. Once it was a bright shiny new planet, perfect in every way. And then some of the parts started to go off-centre. We (the parts) started to do things that we weren’t created to do. And it somehow started to throw the whole planet into decay – unplanned obsolescence. The Creator sent Jesus to fix things, but many of the off-centre parts declared that they did not want to be fixed. So Jesus started anyway; on a plan to fix the parts that believed in Him and trusted that He was able to fix them. "The old earth would pass away," He said, "but His words would never pass away."

The amazing truth is that God did not just fix the broken parts with new parts, He remade us to last forever; He sent us Jesus to make us new. "If anyone is in Christ he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation."

2 Corinthians 5:17-18

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“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.”

Colossians 3:12-13

June
Thank the Lord for the Annual General and Annual Council meetings that took place at the end of May. Pray that all BCA Councillors, new and ongoing, will be guided by God’s word as they serve BCA.

July
Pray for the National Office staff; for good health during winter. Pray for the volunteers who support them, thanking the Lord for their faithfulness in service to BCA. Pray for the Executive meeting with new Councillors; for wise and God honouring decisions.

August
Pray for all the Field Staff and their children; that they will always be guided by God’s word. Pray for the various Diocesan meetings the Field Staff have to attend; for good fellowship and encouragement.

Profile
The National Office provides the overall administrative and operational structures for BCA. In conjunction with the Regional Offices, it works towards the best outcomes in response to Gospel opportunities.
"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.”  

James 1:5-6

June

Nungalinya College teaches courses that are in great demand by Indigenous Christians. The Government is proposing to reduce the funding that helps pay for administration support and bills. Pray that the Government will change its mind and that God will provide all the funding needed.

July

Pray that the faithful work of proclaiming the Gospel by Indigenous clergy and leaders will result in growing churches and more people maturing as Christians. Ask God to encourage and strengthen these committed Christians. Pray that many people in Indigenous communities will follow Christ.

August

Pray that my work for BCA will have good outcomes in encouraging and supporting Indigenous Christians in their ministry. Pray for BCA as it looks for ways to support Indigenous Christian leaders.

Profile

The honorary role of National Researcher/Adviser on Indigenous Matters provides assistance to BCA through research and issues relating to ministry by BCA with Indigenous people. Ministry is widely varied with BCA having Indigenous staff and others walking alongside Indigenous people in various capacities. BCA has a long history of working alongside Indigenous people and desires to continue to work in partnership with them. Pray for wisdom as future ministry is planned.
• Give thanks and pray for upcoming Dusty Boots trips and pray for Beth as she speaks with other schools and youth groups investigating the programme.
• Pray for Robert and Jenny as they move back to Sydney for Robert to start more cancer treatment and for Dongara Mingenew Parish and Bishop Gary Nelson as they seek a new minister.
• Give thanks for the Dusty Boots book on the BCA Website.

In February, 63 Nomads gathered for a time of fellowship and sharing of experiences. Many suggestions were raised on how the Nomad ministry can grow and support our rural churches. One evolving outcome is the concept of multiple Nomad couples joining with a rural church to undertake an outreach programme within their parish. Our prayer request is that we are diligent in seeking to know and follow our Lord’s leading for this and for the future direction of the ministry.
June
Please continue to pray for my family as we deal with the sudden death of my youngest brother, James. He died alone at his home in Melbourne in early March. Pray for me as I administer his estate on behalf of my elderly father. Please pray for Kaye as she speaks at the North West Regional Women’s Conference in Karratha (12th-14th).

July
Pray for positive contacts with Clergy at the Perth Diocesan Conference. Give thanks for our faithful supporters and Mission Contacts.

August
Pray for the farmers across WA; that the rains will come to water the crops. Pray for mining communities across the outback, who are under pressure from falling resource prices.

Profile
The Revd Robert Healy served as Karratha Field Staff from 2000-2001. He represented Western Australia on the BCA Executive from May 2007 to June 2013. Rob was commissioned as the WA Regional Officer in July 2013. Rob is married to Kaye and they have three adult children - Cameron, Daniel and Caitlin.

Diocese of Perth
The Most Revd Roger Herft
“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”

1 Corinthians 1:18

June
This month, we are hoping to finalise and launch a ministry plan for the coming year. Please pray that our Parish Council would work well together and have good vision for how we will encourage the Christians of our Church and reach the non-Christians.

July
Children’s ministry in our church is growing. Praise God for the kids He has given us and please pray for our children’s ministry team. Pray that God would raise up more leaders and that the new material we use this month would be faithful to God’s word and engaging to His children.

August
Please pray for those people who are in our town for only short periods of time each year. Some come for two days, others come for six months. Pray that God will help us to make the most of the opportunities we have with these people, to love them and to encourage them to love Jesus.

Profile
Exmouth is located 1250km north of Perth. Famous for the Ningaloo reef and Cape Range National Park, thousands of visitors flock to Exmouth every year boosting the town’s regular population of approximately 2500 people. Locals are involved in industries such as tourism, fishing, and maintenance of the nearby Naval Base and support services that go along with all of these things. Exmouth Anglican Community Church seeks to proclaim Jesus in this context.
“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7:14

June
We have our church camp early this month and would love your prayers for this to be both a unifying time and a time of spiritual growth for people. Please pray for café church as it starts back up again; that people will come and accept Jesus as Lord.

July
We are so appreciative of the BCA Nomads who come and help out; they are a great source of encouragement to us. Pray for good opportunities for us to engage and talk with the community through our church coffee van.

August
This is our last big month of tourists as they flee the heat, come September. Please pray we will have effective engagements and warm hospitality as a church for those that are travelling through. Pray for the interaction that Gary and Nikki both have with non-Christian friends; that we will take every opportunity with boldness.

Profile
St James Kununurra meets on Sundays at 8am (during tourist season) and 9:30am (all year); 5pm Café Church takes place from May to October. Kununurra is a magnificent part of God’s creation with many beautiful sites to visit and things to see. Kununurra is surrounded by irrigated farmland with an abundance of fresh water from Lake Argyle Dam and the Ord River. Farming is a fast growing industry in our region along with tourism and mining.
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“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

• Praise God for providing all we need to live for Him. Thank Him for the gift of His word, His Holy Spirit and that He uses the weak.
• Thank God for the encouragement of brothers and sisters in humble circumstances.
• Please pray for children who attend our Bible study. Pray that they will grow in Jesus, that God’s word would guide them each day and that they would have brotherly love for one another.
• Please pray for our sister in Christ, Kathy Carlton. Pray for healing from arthritis and spiritual encouragement, especially when she is away from her church family.
• Please pray for Bethel children’s Bible study, Nat’s Scripture teaching and Indigenous Bible teaching in the Kimberley.
“Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’ ”

June
Give thanks for the Pilbara men’s camp last weekend. Pray that the teaching will continue to resonate with the blokes who attended. Pray that the men’s ministry will move forward as Derek seeks to reach men on the fringe of the church. Give thanks for the love our church family has for each other.

July
As we take annual leave and head bush with our three dogs and some of our children, pray for refreshment for us, a great time with our sons and their wives and protection for the church. May we, as a church, minister well to the tourists who pass through at this glorious time of the year.

August
Join us in thanking God for the privilege we have in serving Him here. Pray that we will remain faithful in preaching Christ crucified. Please pray for wisdom and continuing energy for us. Give thanks for the opportunity Derek has in his role of Chaplain, to present Jesus at Roy Hill mine.

Profile
We feel so blessed to be here in the heart of the Pilbara. Newman is a mining town that, due to the isolation, has a real sense of community. The population is very young and the town is full of children. The majority of high schoolers go to boarding school which means there are few teenagers. As a church family, we have people from all over the world that come from many different denominational backgrounds, which is a wonderful blessing. We invite you to join Newman Anglican Church on Facebook.
June
Pray for this month’s Pilbara Women’s Conference in Karratha (12th-14th) and for all the ladies attending from our church. Give thanks for our six faithful Kids’ Church teachers who are committed to explaining the amazing truths of the Bible.

July
Give thanks for the cooler months which enable us to spend more time outdoors. Pray that as we take holidays during the first half of the month, we will be refreshed for ministry. Pray for the Seafarers’ Centre as they minister to the needs of seafarers coming to port.

August
Give thanks for the Church Camp held this month (1st-3rd), for a great time of fellowship and learning from God’s word. Give thanks for a great team on Parish Council who are keen to see the church proclaiming the Gospel message in word and deed in our community.

Profile
Port Hedland is an isolated community on the WA coast. The port is the largest exporter of iron ore in the world. The turnover of people each year is in excess of 50% and is a great challenge to church and community. Very high wages promote in some a preoccupation with money and work to the detriment of their spiritual well-being. The god of money continues to draw people to the town with great promises which are shallow, empty and destructive.
“What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?” — Luke 9:25

June
Thank God for the opportunities to minister to and enjoy the fellowship of tourists at this time of year. Pray for the North West Regional Women’s Conference in Karratha (12th-14th). Pray for the speaker, Mrs Kaye Healy and for those travelling many kilometres to be here.

July
Thank God for safety as people travel around this area. Pray for the preparations for FeNaCING Festival at the end of this month (31st July-2nd August). Pray for energy and enthusiasm and that we will once again give a good witness to the community.

August
Thank God that FeNaCING Festival is over for another year. Thank God for watching over all the volunteers as they worked so hard to please those who attend. Pray that those we were able to speak to will think carefully about the claims of Christ on their lives.

Profile
Karratha is the residential, educational and service centre for the West Pilbara region. Dampier is a major port for the export of iron ore, salt, and natural gas. The Dampier Seafarers’ Centre services thousands of visiting seafarers every year. Pray for the Chaplain, Ian McGilvray and his wife Susan as they undertake this vital and very demanding ministry; they are also valuable members of our congregation. Long work hours, high pay, ‘extreme’ materialism and secularism are constant barriers that only the Gospel of Jesus can overcome. The FeNaCING Festival celebrates the three main production and export commodities in Karratha and Dampier—Iron Ore (Fe), Salt (NaCl) and Natural Gas (NG).
June
Give thanks for the group of people meeting in the local retirement village. Pray that David pastors them well and helps them to reach out with Gospel. David should be attending the City-to-City Church Planters Intensive this month; pray for safety in travel and deeper understanding of church planting.

July
Pray that the marriage seminars we run will serve people by strengthening their marriage as well as explaining how marriage points to Christ. Pray that our marriage grows in love and service. Give thanks that we can celebrate Daphne's birthday (25th) and pray for her as she continues to grow.

August
Pray that through our community involvement and door knocking, we can tell many people the Gospel. Pray that they join us in Christ's eternal community. Pray that through God's grace we are able to build a mission/launch group in South Geraldton.

Profile
David is continuing his Ministry Training Arrangement working as an evangelist and church planter in the South of Geraldton. This is a growing area with no established churches. While the ministry begins the exact shape of it is not yet known, but it will be built on the solid foundation of Christ Jesus and grown by His word.
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"And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.” Colossians 4:3-4

June
Pray for the first Annual Mission with Diploma students from Youth Works College. Give thanks for the team of 20+ students, and for one of our Link Churches who are sending a support team. Pray too for those who have lost their jobs, those who have to move as a result and the impact on the community.

July
Continue to pray for the Corner family who have moved here to live and support the ministry. Give thanks for the provision of accommodation and pray for Brendan as he sets up a wood shop, assisting folk out of dysfunction, especially men and boys.

August
Give thanks for the support from local businesses and the council for what we are doing in the community, the open door it has provided for the work done through BBQ Church and the efforts to establish a number of micro-industries here in the Homeswest area.

Profile
The town of Wickham services Cape Lambert – Rio Tinto's largest Port facility for the export of Iron Ore. It has 2500 residents, plus hundreds of ‘fly-in fly-out’ workers. Most people who come up here are in search of great material ‘riches’. However, spiritual ‘poverty’ means that the current downturn in the industry hits hard. Pray that there will be an open door for the gospel, that people might see their need of the Saviour and search for Him as their greatest treasure.

Diocese of North West Australia The Rt Revd Gary Nelson
June
We are reviewing our Sunday services and midweek ministries. Please pray for wisdom as we consider how best to share life and reach out to our community, especially as we consider starting a kids’ club. We are also thankful to God for raising up a solid Parish Council!

July
We are thankful to God for a team from Youthworks College in Sydney who will be doing a mission among Indigenous folk in Wickham, Roebourne and Wakathuni (an Aboriginal community 30km from Tom Price). Pray for love, faith and hope to shape their ministry and for their fruitfulness.

August
Alcoholism and domestic violence are big problems in both our towns. Please pray for Mission Australia, the Police and others who seek to address this. Pray for the Tom Price congregation as we start a support and outreach project for victims of domestic abuse.

Profile
The drop in Iron Ore Price began to be keenly felt by Rio Tinto employees across the Pilbara in February and March. In Tom Price and Paraburdoo a number of people have been made redundant or have had their work hours cut. Some of these people have been friends of ours. It is quite possible there will be further cuts to come. Pray that we will be compassionate and wise in our relationships at this time. As Pilbara folk face real stress and disappointment, please pray that God will provide for their needs and that they will find a security that cannot be taken away in the gospel of Jesus.
June
Give thanks for the opportunity to attend the Anglican Future Conference in Melbourne. Pray that the contacts made there will help to further develop kingdom ministry by using their skills and creativity. Pray for an enthusiastic response to the sale of winter bush tubs.

July
Pray that God will grow both Christians and churches in the Northern Territory and South Australia in godly discipleship so that they have a deeper understanding of the great and wonderful love of Jesus. Particularly pray for children’s ministry in all areas.

August
Pray that the work done at deputations will bear fruit and that many Christians will partner with those in the bush by becoming Link Churches and prayer partners. Pray for the planning and preparation for the Spring Luncheon.

Profile
Steve and Lyn served in education in regional and remote South Australia including Tarcoola and Mintabie, communities serviced by BCA personnel. While in Waikerie they made the decision to leave teaching, enter Bible College and go into some kind of vocational ministry. The former BCA parish of Streaky Bay beckoned and they served there as leaders of the parish. We desire to see Christians in the bush encouraged and discipled in their faith.

Diocese of Adelaide

The Most Revd Dr Jeffrey Driver
June
Give thanks for the visit of Bruce’s mum and for Jodi’s trip to Sydney to attend a Ministry Wives’ Conference. Pray for the preparations for Yangbala Kemp in the first week of July. Pray for Oliver and Felicity, that they will continue to grow in their faith after attending Scripture Union KidsGames (22nd-26th).

July
Give thanks for a holiday to Tweed Heads and Brisbane for the children to see their grandparents. Pray that the youth at St Peter’s will be excited about following Jesus and sharing their faith with their friends.

August
Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel in the Dondale Youth Detention Centre during monthly services. Pray for the training of Aboriginal leaders in their remote communities as I travel out there with a team.

Profile
The aim of the NT Diocesan Youth Minister is to encourage, support and build youth and leaders. This is primarily achieved by studying the Bible in relationship. The Diocesan Youth Minister works part-time at St Peter’s Nightcliff modelling youth ministry; and part time training and encouraging throughout the NT including Arnhem Land churches.
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“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow His precepts have good understanding. To Him belongs eternal praise.”
Psalm 111:10

June
Give thanks for God’s self-revelation and praise Him for His powerful word. May we all hunger for more of God. Pray that we will see Him as He is, not just as we think He should be.

July
Thank God for deeper relationships through Mainly Music and for fellowship meals and Bible studies. Thank Him for His forgiveness, which frees us to relate to Him and each other more intimately. Pray for good relationships between the new Family Church members and other congregations.

August
Ask God for clarity and passion to know and participate in His mission. Pray for school chaplains and all Christians as God’s ambassadors in daily life.

Profile
The community of Kangaroo Island has 4,500 people with around 600 children in the schools. Primary industries include agriculture, fishing and tourism. The Anglican Parish includes St Alban’s in Kingscote, St Columba’s in Penneshaw and St Richard’s in Parndana. We are enjoying ministering alongside the existing congregations whilst also making new connections within the community. Please join us in seeking God for His will to be done and His Kingdom to come on this Island.

Diocese of Adelaide
The Most Revd Dr Jeffrey Driver
“So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”

Isaiah 55:11

June
We have been intentionally doing much more hospitality this term and ask that these efforts will grow our visitors to understand God’s generosity in Jesus. May we also build open, trusting relationships through these means with those in our congregation and outside.

July
At Easter, the mission team from our home church of Laurieton provided us with 500 tourist bags to hand out to those tourists we came into contact with personally. These contain a Gospel of John, a church tract and our testimonies of how we came to faith. Pray for good use of them these holidays.

August
May we be continually reading the Word of God and trusting all of our activities to Him in prayer. We want to increase our dependence and as John the Baptist says, “He must become greater; I must become less.”
(John 3:30)

Profile
Coober Pedy is celebrating its centenary this year for finding opal, so we have had many opportunities to connect with locals and tourists. Geoff and Tracey have been here for three years now and feel more connected to the community and more understanding of the stresses of living here. The town has about 3000 people with 40 different nationalities, including many aboriginal people. Thousands of tourists visit each year and many pop in to see the Catacomb Church.

Diocese of Willochra

The Rt Revd John Stead
“Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”

Jeremiah 29:7

June
Give thanks for the Diocesan Mission Conference held in Port Augusta (5th-7th). Wei-Han Kuan from CMS Victoria asked us: “Do you have what it takes” to win the world for Christ. John Barnes from Canberra/Goulburn equipped us with a Mission Possible Toolbox. May we “get what it takes”.

July
Pray for the school holiday programme coordinated by Keren Luke (Children and Families’ Worker) and led by Steve Stokes (Outreach and Church). May many children come and learn about Jesus and may many of their families be blessed as they join us for the family BBQ night. The Diocese Centenary Eucharist is on the 26th.

August
A busy month: The Red eARTh Festival in town, a gospel choir performing, clergy conference, AMEB music exams and the Preaching Conference in Melbourne. May we reach out in Jesus’ name and bless our community – and be better equipped to “speed the day”.

Profile
Roxby Downs is steadying at about 4000 people who are young and energetic. 50% of our population is under 25. The Olympic Dam operations are tighter and slimmer. There is always uncertainty in the mining industry and its support organisations in town. We, the people of RDCCC seek to live out the certain hope in Jesus and under God be salt and light as we serve Him in our workplaces, at school, and in the community so that “all may glorify our Father in heaven.”
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“Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me.”

June
Pray for Barry’s ministry at the Olympic Dam mine as he pastorally cares for the people as the Industrial Chaplain. Barry has formed a great bond with people this year, pray that he will continue to make Christ known.

July
Pray for the Kids’ Holiday programme that starts on the 13th and for Keren (our daughter), the Children’s and Family worker at RDCCC, as she leads the programme along with a team from Outreach and Church ministries.

August
Pray for us as a church, that we can show Jesus’ love to all we meet. Pray that when opportunities come, we will be bold in sharing the gospel message.

Profile
Barry and Avril have now lived in Roxby Downs for 27 years, where they raised their three, now adult children, all whom still live in Roxby Downs. Barry has worked at the Olympic Dam Mine in various roles and in January 2012 was appointed the Site Chaplain, working with the Diocese of Willochra. Barry was ordained in 2013 and continues his theological studies. Avril is the Parish Administrator and leads the “Know your Bible” ladies’ study and participates in the church’s Pastoral Care Ministry.

Diocese of Willochra

The Rt Revd John Stead
“Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.” 1 Timothy 4:16

June
Please pray for the believers in Roxby: that they will stand firm in the Gospel of grace and peace through our Lord Jesus Christ. Give thanks and praise for the Missions Conference (5th-7th) for a time of faithful teaching and fellowship.

July
Give thanks for the School Holiday Kids' Programme (13th-17th) and pray that the youth present will become justified by putting their faith in Jesus Christ. Pray also for Christians here, that their witness will see the gospel bearing fruit and growing.

August
Give thanks for Joel being able to attend a preaching conference in Melbourne (25th-27th). Pray for us that we will be prayerfully dependent upon God as we work. Pray also that our children will grow in the knowledge of God.

Profile
After completing studies at Ridley College in Melbourne, Joel, Hannah, and their children Amy, Finnegan and John moved to Roxby Downs in January 2015 to begin a Ministry Training Arrangement (MTA) in partnership with BCA.

Diocese of Willochra

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“For the Lord gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds success in store for the upright, He is a shield to those whose walk is blameless.” — Proverbs 2:6-7

June
Peter is now down to one mine again, due to mine closures and the economy. Pray for new openings or new insight in the mining community. Pray for Joy’s family and her dad’s recovery from his third stroke. Pray for motivation and wisdom for Peter as he talks to new mine companies.

July
Pray for all those still unemployed. Peter continues to work with mining people whom he has met throughout the past seven years over the phone or in pubs and cafés. They still come back for a listening ear. Pray that new mines will embrace the Chaplaincy programme.

August
Peter will be at Clergy Conference (10th-14th) and Chaplain at the Mine Rescue Games at Broken Hill (28th-30th). Pray for wisdom as he continues to have contact with ex-miners. Pray for insight and energy; also for time to rest in our Lord’s arms.

Profile
Give thanks for the success of the programme up ‘til now and for those who still contact Peter (and Joy) from around the world. Joy continues to support Peter in the mining ministry, as well as participating in the life of St Barbara’s. (She is no longer Parish Secretary.) Sarah enjoys her work in retail in Brisbane. Joshua is doing an apprenticeship in Darwin and has just become engaged to Hannah Jansen – a lovely Christian girl.
“All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:”  
2 Corinthians 5:18

June
Please pray for those in prison, especially for reconciliation due to a lot of upheaval between the Muslim and non-Muslim inmates. Pray that they will find neutral ground and be able to work with each other.

July
Pray that as I continue to minister in the prisons, I will be a lighthouse within the darkness, shining God’s love to the inmates. Pray that as God’s love touches their hearts, it will break down all hatred, anger and bitterness and they will instead find love, peace and joy.

August
Please pray for all the families who have loved ones in prison. As I minister to those families, pray they will be able to find peace and forgiveness so that they can move forward in life.

Profile
We have been ministering in the prisons now for over ten years. In addition we also minister to the inmates’ families on the outside through prayer and other support. We share the Word of God at many different churches and communities through outreaches and at church services where we see many people accept Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. It is our desire to see all people and all churches reconciled and coming together as ONE in CHRIST JESUS.
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“I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.”  
Acts 26:17b-18

June
Adrian is currently visiting BCA ministries in Western Australia. Pray that he will be a blessing and learn much.

July
Praise God for the Ridley ministry exposure trip to Tasmania earlier this year, sponsored by BCA. Pray that God would raise up a new generation of evangelists and pastors to take the good news to regional Australia: to open eyes and enable repentance and sanctification.

August
Pray for a growing commitment to regional ministry in theological colleges. Pray for the Ridley BCA Prayer Meeting and for students as they discern their vocation. Pray for a conviction of the seriousness of the unbelievers’ situation.

Profile
Victoria has a large and growing population of 5.8 million, with 1.5 million living in regional municipalities. Sadly, a lack of evangelism and discipleship has meant that the church has contracted and lost generations. Pray for humble repentance. Opportunities abound for the expansion of BCA’s ministry, especially in new housing areas, with youth and young adults and with immigrants.

Diocese of Melbourne  
The Most Revd Dr Philip Freier
“Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my Gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained.”  
2 Timothy 2:8-9

June
Thank God for the ongoing ministry of our shop ‘RENEW’. Pray it will continue to be a good way of engaging with our community and building relationships. Pray for opportunities to proclaim the gospel. Pray that the Barclay children will grow to be lifelong followers of Jesus.

July
Thank God for our Parish Council and pray they will continue to work well together for God’s glory. Pray that our church finances will continue to grow in 2015. Pray for the planning of the 2015 'Bible in the Bush' to be held in early November. Pray for the Barclays in everyday family life.

August
Thank God for the Little Ducks Play Group and pray it will be a good link with our community. Pray for Dale as he preaches most weeks, that he will be faithful to God’s word. Thank God for our weekly community lunch and pray it will continue as a time of significant ministry conversations.

Profile
The Anglican Parish of Sunraysia South (APOSS) aims to "lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus" with the core being a Bible-based, Christ-Centred church. We seek to serve the local community as well as share Jesus, through many and varied ministry programmes.

Diocese of Bendigo

The Rt Revd Andrew Curnow
June
Pray for those travelling from our congregations. Some are overseas, others are ‘nomading’ around the nation. We pray that they will enjoy God’s creation and return safely, and that they will bear witness to the hope they have in Christ wherever they are.

July
Rest. We praise the Lord for His mandate for rest and seek to enjoy this when the opportunity arises. Pray that we as a family will enjoy Sabbath days and that our annual leave earlier in July has been truly restful.

August
New life. As creation’s colour begins to emerge from the winter frosts, we praise God for our new life hidden in Christ, to be fully revealed at His return. Pray for patience and perseverance as we anticipate that day.

Profile
The Strathfieldsaye Community Church held elections in February for the new Church Council, which administratively kicks off on 1st April. We have been operating under the new name since 1st January. We are a partnership of Strathfieldsaye Uniting Church and the newly created Anglican Mission District of Strathfieldsaye, along with the Strathfieldsaye Family Church congregation. Like us on Facebook and Google us!
THE BCA PRAYER
Lord our God, help us to remember those who live in isolated and remote parts of our land. We ask you to strengthen and encourage all whose ministries are supported by The Bush Church Aid Society. Refresh them in times of discouragement and loneliness and call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known. Grant that, through the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, through caring service and by support for young people, the message of your redeeming love may be proclaimed and accepted by the people of our land.
We ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
“Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.”

James 1:4

June
Please pray as we get close to officially opening ‘123’. Please pray for our upcoming Diocesan youth camp during the school holidays. Pray that the young people who attend will experience the love of Jesus. Please pray for our son Elijah as he studies for his HSC.

July
Please pray for Jules as she runs the Mainly Music programme and ministers to the mums during the week. Pray the Lord will bless the ‘123’ facility to reach those who have become distant from God or who have never known His great love for them.

August
Please pray for Special Religious Education in our local schools. Pray for our volunteers as they share the love of Christ with students and teachers. Please pray for the churches in our Diocese as they develop effective youth ministries. Pray that I will be a good encourager and enabler.

Profile
Rich and Julie Lanham and their three sons Jack (1993), Jacob (1995) and Elijah (1997) are based in Sale, Victoria. Rich has worked extensively with young people for over 20 years in Victoria and New South Wales. Julie has been a youth worker, is a mum of teenage boys and a published author. Rich is the assistant minister at the Cathedral focussing on Youth, Families and Youth development for the Diocese.
“My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ.”

Colossians 2:2

June
Let us give thanks to God for the many people who volunteer as part of the committees and supporters and who are active in their prayer support for the work of BCA. Please pray for those in this region who reach out to BCA.

July
We seek God’s guidance for the various Field placements that are vacant at this time, may His hand rest upon those He has chosen to fill these positions. We especially pray for the Island parishes supported by BCA.

August
We pray for the ministries of all Field Staff, that God will richly bless them in their outreach to the people of their parishes. We give thanks for the loving and practical support of the National Office staff and pray for them in this special ministry.

Profile
The State of Tasmania has only one Diocese under the guidance of Bishop John Harrower. There are two Mission Regions, the Northern and Southern Regions with 51 Parishes. The profile of the Society has grown over the past few years and there are encouraging signs of widening support. This support needs to be spread across the various generations.
June
Give thanks that we have not been left devoid of a shepherd, we’ve been fortunate with visiting locums Revd Lilian Morgan, Revd Canon Brian Roberts and local retired Revd Peter Nunn filling our spiritual needs. Pray for a new incumbent.

July
Give thanks for the loyal body of the Anglican church on King Island; their warm hearts, sincere friendliness, willingness to help and especially their lack of division.

August
Pray for Revd Capt Rod and Christene Oldfield who so caringly and competently led our church on King Island, they are now in Cloncurry with more challenging prospects to conquer.

Profile
King Island is famous for its beef, cheese and seafood. It is a beautiful idyllic island and there are many faithful Christians living here. They are keen to introduce their friend Jesus to those around them.

Diocese of Tasmania

The Rt Revd John Harrower
June
Give thanks for John and Meredith as they join the Ministry Team. Their commitment is a great encouragement. Pray for others members of the ministry team. Pray for sustainable rainfall over the coming months.

July
We pray for members of our church family for whom age and health challenges limit their world to hospital beds or being shut-in at home. Pray that they will continue to feel included and loved. Pray for the Parish Council as they make plans and decisions for the parish.

August
Give thanks for the positive planning meeting and the thoughtful contributions made towards ensuring that we plan to reach out beyond ourselves to make known the love and saving grace of God. Pray that the search for a suitable incumbent will be successful. Pray for good planning and outcomes of our Annual General Meeting.

Profile
The Parish of the Furneaux Islands reaches beyond Flinders Island to encompass all 52 islands of the group. A permanent population exists only on a few, the two main ones being Flinders and Cape Barren Islands. Contact with parishioners on Cape Barren is difficult. Though the population of the islands is small there are strong community ties and many positive qualities of life. Currently the Bishop and BCA are seeking God’s will and direction in regard to ministry to the folk there.
June
As we enter into our sixth year of ministry in the northern suburbs of Launceston, please pray for wisdom and clarity for Andy and Liz as they continue to lead the church community at Barney’s.

July
Praise God for the opportunity to take holidays. Please pray for Andy, Liz, Olivia and Caitlin as they spend time in Melbourne resting. Pray for restoration, renewal and a time of peace for the family.

August
Please pray for those who are new to the church community at Barney’s; for their integration into our family and for their journey as disciples of Christ. Pray for Andy and Liz as they continue to disciple new leaders within the church.

Profile
Andy, Liz and their daughters Olivia and Caitlin are based in Launceston, where Andy has been working as a Pioneer minister as part of the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania since 2010. They are involved in leading the community at Barney’s and helping to develop The Imagine Network. Andy’s main focus is on making disciples and raising up missional leaders who can lead missional communities in Launceston and the north and east of Tasmania.

Diocese of Tasmania

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“The Lord is in His holy temple; the Lord is on His heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth; His eyes examine them. For the Lord is righteous, He loves justice; the upright will see His face.” Psalm 11:4, 7

- Praise our Lord for the local mums, nans and children who are coming to Mainly Music; our first “success” in local outreach in 10 years. May they come to know the love our Lord Jesus has for them.
- Praise our Lord for the students who come along from Worldview college; we help and encourage them with English and being a part of God’s family, and they help and encourage us by their willingness to share with us their cuisine and many talents, especially music!
- Please pray that our Lord will continue to develop and equip those in the church who have been leading prayers, reading scriptures and leading study groups. May our Lord raise up faithful servants with the heart desire to minister His love and truth to others.

Diocese of Tasmania

The Rt Revd John Harrower

NORTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA TOUR
JULY 2016 – 28 DAYS

Come on a BCA CFT holiday for a fantastic time of sightseeing and fellowship. This particular holiday lets you explore the North Western coast of Australia, including the Kakadu National Park, The Kimberleys and Broome, as you experience a taste of outback life and BCA ministries.


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TOURS OPERATED BY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TOURS
"I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us."

Romans 8:18

June
Please pray for the NSW office staff as they work hard in the transition to the new database software, so as to increase effective contact with our many faithful supporters. Pray for opportunities such as the "Go Fest" mission conference to promote the work of BCA.

July
Pray for safe travel for the music group coming from Adelaide for the "No Compromise" tour of the music of Keith Green at New Lampton, Glenbrook, Figtree and Ryde. May lives be deeply impacted by the music. Pray that logistics go smoothly, venues are filled and the work of BCA is effectively promoted.

August
Pray for the Lightning Ridge mission to campers and farmers with Peter Adkins and BCA Nomads. May people come to Christ and David and Jo Piper’s ministry be enhanced. Pray for Jen Schabel as she speaks to assemblies and groups of young people. Pray for the BCA Jazz night at Oatley.

Profile
The NSW/ACT office covers five Dioceses (about 450 churches). We seek to work with Bishops across the regions to support them in their mission to take the good news of Jesus to all rural and remote parts of the regions and to grow effective churches. We also share about the work of BCA in scores of churches and groups, both young and old, each year.

Diocese of Sydney

The Most Revd Dr Glenn Davies
“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.”

Hebrews 11:16

June
Pray that we all have a safe holiday and a safe return to school. Pray for those who are known to us travelling overseas, that they will be kept in God’s safe keeping at all times.

July
Pray for one of our ladies, that she will be healed from cancer. Pray for the community, that they will come to know God. Pray for the elderly and for the young people to be gainfully employed in the district.

August
Pray that Christians will rise up for our nation and there will be a revival in our land. Pray for my family, that God will move upon their lives and that they will be employed. Pray for Wayne, that he gets a job and that he gets saved.

Profile
Gulargambone is a small town of 500 people located 50 kilometres from Gilgandra. The town is home to many farming families and has a large local Indigenous population. The town has one K-12 school which means many young adults leave town to go to university. Some return after their studies while others move elsewhere. Alfrene is employed as Gulargambone Central School’s Chaplain. Alfrene has had many varied roles with different churches throughout the years.
June
Thank God for open doors at the local schools for scripture as well as chaplaincy work. Pray for fruit that will last. Give thanks for the extra people who have joined the scripture team. Pray that the impact of the Soul Survivor teams visiting Yass as part of their annual conference will have a lasting effect on the community.

July
Give thanks for another semester working with young people. Pray that new initiatives will come to fruition, move forward and glorify God.

August
Give thanks for the many people who come alongside Helena in her role. Give thanks for the strength and unity of the combined churches in our community as we all work together for the kingdom. Pray that as we begin a new semester, Helena can find new and fresh ways to connect with young people and bring God’s love and truth to a hurting, lost world.

Profile
Helena has moved back to part time work due to family commitments. This year Helena is working on expanding key areas that have been established and are bearing fruit. The work is with young people in schools in small communities surrounding Yass. These schools feed into the Yass High School, where Helena also has programmes in place. Helena is very grateful for the Link Churches and individuals who support her both in prayer and financially.

“Sing to the Lord a new song. His praise from the ends of the earth, you who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, you islands, and all who live in them.” Isaiah 42:10
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“And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!’”  
Romans 10:15

June
Pray for the continued growth of SRE classes in high schools as the year progresses. Pray for students to invite their friends to SRE, lunchtime Bible Study and ISCF. Give thanks for the support of Scripture Union in helping resource and expand lunchtime Christian fellowship in the bush.

July
Pray for positive responses from church leaders and school principals in small and isolated towns to the BCA-supported Generate Distance Education Model of online Scripture delivery. Give thanks for continued support from schools, parents and churches.

August
Give thanks for the faithful primary and secondary school scripture teachers and their years of bringing the Gospel to our young. Pray for strong prayer and financial support for the expansion of SRE to more high and central schools.

Profile
This BCA partnership with Generate Ministries aims, with God’s help, to see an SRE (scripture) teacher in every state high and central school in rural NSW by 2020. Cheryl Hallinan, our Bush Scripture Adviser, travels with her husband Michael around the southwest and midwest of NSW. Both have years of leadership experience in Riverina schools and Cheryl was formerly the Diocesan Education Officer. Thank you to our supporters and the many welcoming churches in the bush.

Diocese of Riverina  
The Rt Revd Rob Gillion
June
Synod met on 12th-14th. It was a platform for Bishop Rob to communicate a vision for the Diocese of Riverina.

July
We seek God’s guidance to re-evaluate our position in the Diocese and this Parish. The Bishop’s Conference will be held 30th July – 1st August, replacing the Lay Conference, to gather together all the churches of the Diocese for teaching and mutual ministry.

August
The local Bible Teach-in was held on 15th August for all churches in the district. We give thanks and praise for the knowledge gained. The BCA tour bus is coming to our church on 30th August and it will be good to see the tourists.

Profile
Hillston is a town on the banks of the Lachlan River. It has a big agricultural focus, and a substantial sheep and cattle industry. Four churches in town are involved in ministry of the Gospel to town people, farming families, and other isolated communities. There is a good degree of co-operation between the churches. Interest in Christianity has a fairly traditional perspective. However, this in itself becomes a means of opportunity for people to come into contact with the Gospel of God.

Diocese of Riverina
The Rt Revd Rob Gillion
June
Pray for our various Bible Study groups. We have two groups during the week at church and one at the local prison. Pray that people will be encouraged to learn more about the Bible as we study together.

July
We have a YWAM (Youth with a Mission) team joining us this month as well as our brethren from St Matthew’s Manly. Please pray that all the arrangements for their visits will go well.

August
This month, pray for our people right across the country. Recent government policy will result in our people being forcefully removed from their lands. Pray that the church will become a voice for the marginalised.

Profile
It saddens my heart to hear what is happening to my people in Western and South Australia. Government policy will see the forceful removal of our people from their communities, whilst the churches stands aside, mute at the injustices that are being perpetrated on them. Please, please, please join with me as I pray that God would be merciful unto my people and more so, be merciful unto those who continue to oppress them.

Diocese of Riverina

The Rt Revd Rob Gillion

“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6:8
June
Riverina Synod was held earlier this month. Pray for our Bishop, Rob Gillion, all clergy and lay leaders and for the outcomes of the Synod deliberations. Pray for those elected to the various committees, that they will all honour God and promote His Kingdom.

July
Pray for our ongoing relationships in the Hay community. Pray for Peter as he nears the end of his Pastoral Counselling course (one subject to go). May both of us be able to show Christ’s love as we continue to be involved in various community activities.

August
Plans are well in place for the September Kids’ Club in Hay (20th-27th Sept), run by a dedicated team from Engadine Anglican Church. Pray for effective advertising, appropriate follow up and continuing enthusiasm from the Hay community.

Profile
Hay is in the Riverina of NSW, on the Murrumbidgee River and Sturt Highway half way between Sydney and Adelaide. After a long drought there is a positive feeling due to a good season so far and the expansion of cotton growing. A new Cotton Gin is under construction, to open for the 2015 season. St Paul’s Hay has a small congregation of mainly older people. There is no full time minister. Peter and Lee help in the church and take SRE classes.
“But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.”

2 Timothy 3:14-15

June
Give thanks for a successful first term at college. Please continue to pray for Nathaniel's studies and assignments.

July
Pray for Nathaniel as he seeks to be diligent in his studies and as he balances work and college life. Give thanks for his first opportunity to preach at church.

August
Pray for the Living Waters church plant, that it would continue to grow and be faithful in the community of Redfern.

Profile
Nathaniel is a Student Minister at the Living Waters Church in Redfern, an inner Sydney suburb, whilst studying at Moore College. He is the son of BCA Field Staff in Broken Hill, Neville and Kathryn Naden.
“Jesus looked at them and said, ‘With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.’” Matthew 19:26

June
Pray for the children in our church, that we will give them such grounding in the Gospel that they will always think about Christian faithfulness when confronted with the world’s options. Please pray for us as we follow up our Easter visitors. This month we also celebrate two birthdays and enjoy a visit from Crystal’s mum.

July
Please pray for those grieving the many changes the island is undergoing as a result of Australia’s decision to end self-government. This includes the closure of the Norfolk Island Legislative Assembly and those employed by it from 1st July. As we preach the Gospel in this context, ask God to give us a caring heart, a teaching ability and a prayerful spirit.

August
Please pray for us as we look at launching a new contemporary service. Please pray for more labourers in our church (Matthew 9:35-38) and for our church leaders, including all the spiritual leaders (parish councillors, small group leaders etc.). Pray that all will be holy, passionate and evangelistic.

Profile
David is married to Crystal and they have three small children. When he’s not at church, David enjoys watching the St. George Illawarra Dragons and swimming around with the kids in Emily Bay. Crystal enjoys spending time with friends and watching a good ‘whodunnit’ on TV! God willing, David and Crystal hope to serve on Norfolk Island for five years and are praying that God will build His church.
“I thank my God every time I remember you... because of your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now,”

Philippians 1:3, 5

June
May our BCA display stand at the Diocese of Southern Queensland’s Synod (26th-28th) generate opportunities to visit churches not visited before. Thank God for the previous Office Manager, Marj Wellings’, great service and please pray for our new Office Manager, Craig Buchanan.

July
Give thanks and praise to our great God for a fruitful time representing BCA at the Diocese of North Queensland’s Synod (3rd-5th) and at their clergy conference (6th-9th). Give thanks for safe travel and fruitful visits to our Field Staff in NW NSW (1st-4th August).

August
Give thanks for good connections made at the Provincial Clergy Conference held at Southport (10th-13th) and for a fruitful time at the Diocese of Armidale’s Synod (18th-20th September). Please pray that I will make a helpful contribution to the Diocese’s planning for the education of local church leadership.

Profile
Julie and I are a close knit team in this ministry, with Julie helping me in many ministry and promotional situations in the churches. She also hopes to join me on many trips around this vast region. We are ever reliant on our great God for His gracious enabling and for fruitfulness. We are very thankful for the warm welcome we have enjoyed, for the Regional Committee’s strong support and of course for those who pray! Thank you so much. You provide vital ‘air support’.

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“Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for mankind. Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the council of the elders.”  
Psalm 107:31-32

June  
Give thanks for the lives of the faithful few in Cloncurry, Julia Creek, Normanton, Croydon, Georgetown and Karumba. Pray that God will use their faithfulness to His glory. Pray for Synod in early July and for our direct travel to it from a Gulf visit.

July  
Give thanks that we were encouraged at Synod and the Clergy conference which followed on from it. Give thanks for a short break taken at the beginning of Synod and for Christene’s travel to NSW for some maintenance issues on our house.

August  
Pray that we are making connections in the community with the people God is putting in our way. Pray that invitations are going out to friends and family of parishioners ‘to come and see that the Lord is good’.

Profile  
Cloncurry has a population of around 4000. The average age of the community is a little lower than the Australian average. It is a service centre, has a pastoral industry and a number of mines that are serviced by FIFO workers. The Anglican Church has not had a permanent priest for some time. The Oldfield’s will be involved in a pioneering ministry investigating fresh expressions of church.

Diocese of Nth Queensland  
The Rt Revd William Ray
June
We give thanks for the support and care of so many people, strangers as well as friends. We also give thanks for safe travel.

July
We ask you to pray for understanding of what the drought means to the people who are suffering. Just because there may be some rain, it does not mean that the people concerned will have an income.

August
We pray that as winter comes to an end, spring will bring hope into the lives of people and that they can thank God and recognise His care for them.

Profile
Ran and Jenny Mitchell are grain growers west of North Star in northern NSW. They are members of Boggabilla Parish, which has seven little centres. Their role is to visit and support rural families who are affected by the drought.

Diocese of Armidale

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“For we live by faith, not by sight.”
2 Corinthians 5:7
June
Please pray for Joanne as she seeks to witness to other mums at playgroup, find time to read the Bible with some women, welcome the many visitors to our door and look after us three boys.

July
Please pray for the mission to Nomads planned for early August. We have a team coming up to stay in caravan parks, run events, have Gospel conversations and reach out to farmers. Pray that many will come to Christ.

August
Give thanks for our monthly congregation at Cumborah, which has at least as many kids attending as our Lightning Ridge congregation. Pray that they would grow in numbers and maturity.

Profile
Winter is a busy season in the Ridge, with visitors almost every week at church. Many come for the warmer weather or the hot spring baths. We welcome back many of the same visitors each year. We want to encourage visiting believers to be active in their faith even on holidays - inviting their contacts to church and getting involved in serving while in the Ridge. We are also having an outreach week to Nomads in early August (see above).
“The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name’s sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.”

Psalm 23:1-4

June
Give thanks for the success of our Mothers' Day garden party. Pray for the success of the Winton show and for good entries, even though the area is in drought. Pray for a team preparing to deliver a Vacation Bible School (VBS) during the winter holidays.

July
Give thanks for the VBS and for the effort made by the locals to support the local show. Give thanks for the influx of tourists to the area during the cool weather. Pray for a successful tourist season to carry businesses through the slow season.

August
Pray for safe travel to and from the SU Qld Conference and Provincial Conference, which are both held at the Gold Coast early this month. Give thanks for learning and fellowship enjoyed during the conferences.

Profile
Winton Parish has 3 towns within its boundaries; Winton, Boulia and Bedourie. There are also small communities at Middleton, Corfield and Kynuna. It takes about 4 hours to drive from Winton to Boulia, and another 2 hours to Bedourie. The population is widely scattered, and most rely on primary industries for their livelihood. At the moment, the Shires that are within the Parish are severely affected by the drought. This area is blessed with striking scenery and wonderful people.
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“Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping.” Matthew 8:24

June
Pray for the families with children in the church, for the Family Service to be held this month and for the Mainly Music outreach ministry. Pray for those whose lives are impacted by the mining downturn. Pray that God would call those who are thirsty for knowledge of God to our church.

July
Please pray for our parish council and leadership team, an amazing group of people. Pray they continue to have their gifts released and that the Lord will send more labourers for the harvest. Please pray for Capt Jack Starman’s visit as he assists the parish for two weeks.

August
Pray for Stuart’s studies as he completes his bachelor degree and for Katherine’s chaplaincy ministry in the high school. Pray for the church as a whole; for their witness in the community, especially the Family Op Shop ministry and for volunteers. Pray that God will bless our parish finances.

Profile
In the last year we have seen, achingly clear, the effects of the mining downturn on Moranbah. We have had to say goodbye to over 40 people in the last year and it is hard, but God pours out His blessing by bringing more people into our midst. We are currently focusing on ministry to young families and sharing the gospel with people from other faiths. It is both challenging and exciting to sustain and grow, as we have such a high turnover of people both at church and in the Op Shop ministry.
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“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight.”

Proverbs 3:5-6

June
Give thanks for The Reverend Honorio Hincapie from Emerald and other visiting ministers who are supporting ministry in Blackwater. May there be an experience of mutual encouragement in the Lord.

July
In the cooler months of the year, people begin to head north. Pray for opportunities to develop stronger links between BCA Nomads, other travelling Christians and the congregation at Blackwater.

August
Pray for Christians who may be considering relocating to Blackwater and other rural communities for work. May they go with a servant heart and be able to find fellowship and refreshment.

Profile
BCA and the Diocese continue to seek another couple to minister in Blackwater. Blackwater is a modern mining town with a population of around 7000. It services the nearby open cut coal mines. It is in Queensland’s Central Highlands, 836km north of Brisbane and 190km west of Rockhampton on the Capricorn Highway.

Diocese of Rockhampton

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“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”
Romans 15:13

June
The summer season starts for the ICS seasonal Chaplains. Please pray that God will provide opportunities for them to bring His gospel of salvation to tourists, resort workers and local residents. Richard Bromley will attend the Diocesan Synod (8th-12th) in Germany.

July
Please pray for new Chaplains who have been appointed: The Revd Hilary Jones to the Anglican Church in Basel and The Revd Simon Brignall to St. Peter’s, Vina del Mar. Pray that they will settle in quickly.

August
July and August are usually quiet months, with chaplaincy members away on holiday; pray for a good welcome for the many people on holiday who come to visit our churches. Please also pray for those going to various summer camps (New Wine, Soul Survivor etc.) and for those staying at home.

Profile
ICS is an evangelical Anglican mission agency to English-speakers of any nationality. We are a patronage society and a mission to English-speakers through church growth, church planting and outreach. Our strapline is “Mission and Ministry in English for everyone”.

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Dr Bill Anscombe
The Revd Lilian Morgan
Mrs Aila Alderson
The Revd Dr Mark Short
(National Director - Ex officio)

Ministry Priority Panel
Mr Fred Chilton (Chair)
Mrs Mellita Bate
The Revd David O’Mara
The Revd Dr Mark Short
(National Director - Ex officio)

Please pray
• Uphold the Personnel Committee; give them guidance, sensitivity and clear direction in their responsibilities in relational matters.
• For the Ministry Priority Panel, we pray for clear directives in consideration and implementation of new ministry initiatives.
Mrs Vivien & The Revd Martin Bleby
Vivien has completed her four-year term in the South Australia and Northern Territory Office. She is taking some time out to consider where God will next lead her and in the meantime is enjoying time spent with family and guests as well as attacking the many previously unattended-to jobs around the house. Martin is currently undertaking a locum at St Augustine’s church at Unley.

The Revd Ian & Mrs Glenda McGrath
After eight years of service, Ian has concluded his contract as Queensland and Northern New South Wales Regional Officer. In early February, he took up the position of Associate Minister in the Parish of South Brisbane. Pray for many opportunities to share the gospel around the parish and that many would repent and believe and follow Jesus. Please pray for a job for Isaac in his field of mechatronic engineering. Give thanks for the joy of being grandparents to little Hailey Grace!

The Revd James & Mrs Skye Coats
James and Skye Coats have completed their term of service as BCA Affiliates. As James and Skye continue living and serving at Holbrook with their four daughters, pray for God’s continued guidance and strength to serve Him faithfully. Pray for good ministry partnerships and support. Pray also that God would graciously bring more people into His kingdom in Holbrook and its surrounds, so that His church there would have a bright and vibrant future.
Pray for BCA Staff in Transition

The Revd Geoff & Mrs Sarah Chambers
Geoff and Sarah Chambers have completed their term of service as BCA Affiliates. They will continue to live in Tamworth as members of the Parish of St Peter’s. Please pray for them as they adjust in this time of transition. Praise God for the provision of work for Geoff as a boarding master at a local school and pray that a suitable housing situation will come together for the family.

The Revd David & Mrs Trudy Robinson
David and Trudy have thoroughly enjoyed their time at Northampton and it was with great sadness that they left due to David’s poor health. They are thankful for being accepted into the community and that they were able to witness growth in some of their congregation drawing closer to the Lord. They are encouraged that the local high school has been successful in receiving a grant for a chaplain two days a week, as has Kalbarri School so please pray that whoever is chosen will be God’s choice for the area. This will open up opportunities for youth ministry if the same person can service both communities. David and Trudy have really appreciated the wonderful prayer support received and the friendships made in the BCA family.

Central Mallee
The Uniting Church has supplied ministry at Central Mallee from the beginning of 2015 with the appointment of The Reverend Andrew Gall. BCA encourages its supporters to give thanks for the faithful parishioners and lay leaders who have maintained ministry in the parish and pray for Andrew and his family as they take up this appointment.
The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia is an association of Christians within the Anglican Church whose vision and goal is Australia for Christ.

BCA has a priority in mission to the isolated, remote urban and rural people of Australia.

BCA's purpose is

- to proclaim Christ so that people may respond to Him;
- to nurture Christians in their faith and ministry;
- to strengthen local Christian communities in their mission;
- to provide services of Christian care and advocacy;
- to develop an understanding of Christ's mission and
- to promote active partnership throughout the church.

BCA orders its life and ministry

- by prayer and God's help and the Holy Spirit's guidance;
- by the vision, wisdom, authority and encouragement of scripture;
- by humility, servanthood and fellowship with the church in mission;
- by interdependent relationships with Diocesan Bishops;
- by providing pastoral care and professional development for staff and
- by responsible management of its resources.

BCA fulfils its mission as the people of Australia are given the opportunity to know and love the Lord Jesus Christ, trust in His promises, respond to Him in obedience, reflect His character in their lives, be committed to His church and work for His purpose in the world.
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