

Pray in May for MTS



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MTS Pray in May is a month-long campaign inviting all Christians around Australia to partner in prayer with the MTS movement.

MTS (Ministry Training Strategy) is a movement that promotes and facilitates ministry apprenticeships. These apprenticeships are designed to raise up harvest workers through two-year, hands-on ministry training in local churches, on campus and in other ministry placements.

We would deeply appreciate your prayers this month that our movement may continue to grow and see more apprentices raised up, to win the world for Christ.



How to use this guide

We have taken the prayer points for the month of May and divided them into weekly points for you to use in your bible study groups or prayer groups. Spend time together in prayer, using the weekly collection of prayer points as a guide.

If you'd like to receive the prayer points each day, subscribe to MTS on PrayerMate or download our calendar version.

Week 1 | May 1 - 7

- Father, As Pray in May commences today, be stirring the hearts of your people to commit to praying for MTS and for your kingdom every day this month and beyond. And be graciously reminding us of our need for you in all things, but especially in ministry. Amen.
- Dear Father, We are thankful for Russell Smidt - who's been on the MTS Team for one year today in the role of Director of Training. Please give Russ supernatural energy by your Holy Spirit for the mission of raising up, training and resourcing MTS trainers as they multiply gospel workers through ministry apprenticeships. Amen.
- Dear God, Help us to have unwavering trust in your timing and to wait patiently for you to work. As it says in Psalm 40:1, 'I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.' Thank you for hearing our cries. Amen.
- Dear God, Please work among the brothers and sisters at St James Anglican Church (Berala, NSW) to see more raised up as gospel workers through today's MTS Info Night. Please sustain Mike Doyle in his pastoral leadership and commitment to entrusting the gospel to reliable others. Amen.
- Heavenly Father, Please help Eleazar Seguel Salazar as he leads Chile's MTS Movement. Help him to pray fervently and to plan well. Bless him by growing the number of ministry apprentices trained up in Chile. May Chile train apprentices in such a way that they go on to be MTS Entrusters. Amen.

Week 2 | May 8 - 14

- Dear Lord, We pray for the incoming MTS Ministry Administrator (whoever they may be). Equip this person with supernatural energy by your Holy Spirit to run projects that contribute to the vision and mission of MTS. Help them in their role as Company Secretary. May their organisation help the MTS' Board to provide good oversight and governance. Amen.
- Father, As it says in Psalm 40:4, 'Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.' We ask that you give all MTS Apprentices this trust in you, and that you'd continually turn their minds and hearts away from the world and to focus on you. Amen.
- Dear Lord, Please help MTS to work out ways to support apprentices with respect to their mental health and wellbeing. Help MTS to provide effective and affordable assistance to apprentices in need. Amen.
- Dear God, Please work among the brothers and sisters attending the Intercultural MTS Info Night in Canberra today. Thank you for the vision of Simon Ball and Matt George in raising up apprentices with intercultural awareness. Please sustain Rob Horne at North Canberra Baptist Church in his pastoral leadership and commitment to entrusting the gospel to reliable others. Amen.



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Week 3 | May 15 - 21

- Dear God, Help us to surrender to your will and ways, as exemplified in Psalm 40. Give us a heart to delight in your law and do your will with joy. Amen.
- Dear Lord, Thank you for the gifts that you have given to Ray Galea. Thank you for working in him and through him to write a new book. Please use this book to persuade people to be 'eager to serve'. Amen.
- Blessed is the one who trusts in you Lord! Father, Be helping all MTS Apprentices and Trainers to put their trust wholly in you. Be working in those who struggle to trust, to wait, to give all control to you - give them your assurance of provision and your feeling of peace. Amen.
- Dear God, Grow the MTS movement throughout the world by your power. As the staff team grows, and the movement expands into news chapters throughout the globe, keep all involved focused on you alone. Amen.
- Lord, You are our help and deliverer. You are our rock and our refuge. Father, help us to seek you and delight in your glorious name! Amen.
- Heavenly Father, Thank you for the many MTS Info Nights being held in partnership with churches and ministries across Australia. May you bring many who are considering gospel work, and those seeking to train up the next generation of gospel workers to these nights, and may they be inspired and equipped to take the next steps on this path for your glory. Amen.

Week 4 | May 22 - 31

- Dear Lord, Please help all MTS trainers to be people of Christ-like character. Lord, help them to seek YOUR praises, not the praises of men. Help them to put "celebrity culture" to death in their hearts. Amen
- Dear God, As it says in Psalm 40:17 'But as for me, I am poor and needy; may the Lord think of me. You are my help and my deliverer; you are my God, do not delay.' Help MTS Trainers to trust you to provide for all their needs. Thank you for your abundant grace and provision. Amen.
- Heavenly Father, Thank you for all the MTS volunteers who work tirelessly in various roles throughout the movement. May their efforts glorify you. Fill them with your sustaining grace and love. Amen.
- Dear God, Please give the MTS Board great wisdom as they oversee MTS with governance. Please give wisdom and strength to our new Chair Greg Lee as he plans ahead and leads. Amen.
- Father, Take all the prayers lifted up to you through Pray in May and work your will through those who trust you! Thank you that you do not withhold your mercy from us. Thank you that your love and faithfulness is with us always. Be enabling all your people to depend wholly on you. Amen.



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