

# prayer diary

February–May  
2017



# February

**Wednesday 1st** Pray for Crusaders' staff as they come together to meet at Galston for Staff Connection Day. Pray this is a fruitful day to deepen relationships and remind staff of their purpose in serving God at Crusaders.

**Thursday 2nd** Please pray that God will provide additional staff for the Lake Mac Kitchen team and that the team will continue to work well together and support each other in a Biblical manner.

**Friday 3rd** Oxford Falls Grammar Year 5 are having a Day Camp at school. Pray for the Summit leaders as they build on previous relationships formed at past camps on this one-day program.

**Saturday 4th** Pray for the new Fellows as they start their first camp this Monday! Pray that God fills them with confidence and enthusiasm as they settle into their new roles and learn how to run camps.

**Sunday 5th** Give thanks for the 250+ students from 34 schools who attended the final Inter-CRU of 2016 in November.

**Monday 6th** Pray for Shore School's Year 3-4 Camp at Galston this week with the Summit leaders. Pray that the leaders would model what it means to follow Jesus through their words and actions, and that they can care well for each of the boys.

**Tuesday 7th** Summit are running the St Luke's Year 6 camp at Lake Mac. Please pray for energy and patience for the leaders as they interact with campers, and that they would enjoy a safe and valuable camp.

**Wednesday 8th** Please pray for the Year 12 girls from Tara on camp at Galston today - that they would have the courage to talk to the leaders about life and faith, and that the leaders can help them handle the challenge of their HSC year.

**Thursday 9th** Newington Years 3-4 are at Galston this week. Please pray for safety as they complete many fun activities with the Summit leaders.

**Friday 10th** Please pray for Tara Year 11 at Myuna Bay this week with Summit. Please pray for a fun and safe camp as they complete a city chase around Newcastle, and please pray for the leaders to be diligent in their conversations about God with the girls.

**Saturday 11th** Praise God for the opportunity CRU has to train teachers who are working in both primary and high schools in Christian leadership. Praise God also for the way He used the FIT (Followers In Training) and CrossTrain training programs last year to train hundreds of student leaders for the future.

**Sunday 12th** Praise God for the amazing summer season that has just ended. Give thanks for the way He sustained the camp leaders and gave them wisdom in how to answer questions. Please pray that the Spirit would work through the hundreds of seeds that have been planted in the hearts of these kids.



**Monday 13th** Praise God for the new St Catherine's Year 8 camp at Attunga! Please pray that the students and teachers would enjoy their Summit camp experience, and that the Summit and Attunga staff members would be unified as they serve this week.

**Tuesday 14th** Summit are running a new camp for St Catherine's Year 7 at Lake Mac! Praise God for this new opportunity and expanded partnership with this school. Please pray that the program would run smoothly and would be an enjoyable time for all involved.

**Wednesday 15th** Summit are running a camp today for St Philip's Gosford Year 7 students. Please pray that everyone enjoys the camp at Galston and that the Gospel is proclaimed clearly.

**Thursday 16th** St Philip's Gosford Year 8 are at the Galston and Crosslands campsites this week. Please pray for a safe hike and that many great conversations about Jesus will take place.

**Friday 17th** Northholm Year 7 are at Lake Mac this week. Please pray for the Summit team as they seek to love and teach the Gospel to the students throughout the week.

**Saturday 18th** Praise God for the work of the NSW Rural Fire Service in helping the Galston site staff prepare the site for summer by undertaking back-burning.

**Sunday 19th** Pray for the Schools Ministry Team and Associates as they welcome new members and for Peter Crawford as he leads the team.



**Monday 20th** Praise God for the Crusader Women's Fellowship lunch today and that He has been sustaining these faithful prayer warriors over many years! Ask that these women will be encouraged in their own walks with the Father as they pray for the young people who are impacted for Christ through CRU.

**Tuesday 21st** The Summit team are running St Paul's Year 11 camp at Lake Mac. Please pray for safety and good weather while the campers participate in many water activities such as kayaking, sailing and surfing.

**Wednesday 22nd** William Carey Year 11 are on camp at the Galston campsite this week. Please pray that the campers learn new leadership skills to take back and put to use at school. Pray that they will have lots of fun and that they'll be open to talking about Jesus on camp.

**Thursday 23rd** Praise God for William Clarke Year 5 at Lake Mac this week. Please pray for the logistics of camp with many activities and leadership sessions to be completed. Please pray that the leaders will model Christ through their actions on camp.

**Friday 24th** The Summit team are with Northern Beaches Christian School Year 5 at Yarramundi. Pray that the leaders would have the opportunity to share their faith with the students and build relationships quickly.

**Saturday 25th** Please pray that God will continue to bless the Lake Mac campsite and sustain the staff there as they seek to do His will in this ministry.

**Sunday 26th** Pray for those students who attended many of our Study Camps last year and are now starting university. Pray they can become involved with Christian groups at their universities, and praise God that these groups are committed to faithfully sharing the Gospel.

**Monday 27th** William Clarke Year 7 is at YMCA Yarramundi with Summit this week. Please pray for the logistics of camp, with over 150 students attending. Praise God that so many students are hearing the Gospel this week!

**Tuesday 28th** Presbyterian Ladies College Year 11 are at the Galston campsite with the Summit team. Pray that the leaders would be able to form great relationships with the students and that conversations about our great God will take place!

## March

**Wednesday 1st** Please pray that God will bless the FIT (Followers In Training) events that are happening in primary schools between Monday 6th - Friday 24th.

**Thursday 2nd** Macarthur Years 3-4 are with Summit at Galston this week. Please pray that the message of the Gospel would be heard and understood by these young children, and that they will enjoy a safe and happy time on camp.

**Friday 3rd** Praise God that Mark in Year 3 grew so much in his faith in God on his Summit camp! At the end of one of the activities he said to his leader, "I'm a Christian!" His leader then went on to chat to him about what that meant for Mark's life. Praise God for Mark's enthusiasm about being a Christian.

**Saturday 4th** Give thanks that many schools have started new CRU Groups recently.

**Sunday 5th** Pray that God will bless the work of the Lake Mac Redevelopment Team, helping them to make good decisions and to work together in a God-honouring way.

**Monday 6th** Trinity Summer Hill Year 5 are at Lake Mac this week! Please pray for great weather and happy campers so that the kids hear the message of Jesus when it is proclaimed on camp.

**Tuesday 7th** Praise God for our dedicated volunteers, who give up their time and talents to come into the office to help with various tasks. We are so encouraged by them and thank God for their generous service.

**Wednesday 8th** St Luke's Year 5 is up at Lake Macquarie with the Summit team. Please pray for unity amongst the leaders and for a prayerful culture on camp this week.

**Thursday 9th** Please pray for Bible studies and chapel services that are held for boarders each week in schools.

**Friday 10th** Thank God for Anna Wood and Damien Wang who will be running the fundraising campaign for the redevelopment of the Lake Mac campsite over the next few years. Pray that God would use the funds raised to create an amazing campsite where many more young people will be brought into His Kingdom.

**Saturday 11th** Praise God for the opportunities the Schools Ministry Associates have had to attend Cornhill Preaching classes, CRU Summit & Holiday Camps and CRU Groups. Praise God for the students they have been able to share Jesus with and for the lives they have seen transformed.

**Sunday 12th** Pray for the Summit team as they are in one of the busiest times of the year. Pray that God will fill the team with energy, enthusiasm and passion as they spend week after week on camp.

**Monday 13th** The Summit team and The Scots College Year 3 are at Vision Valley on camp. Praise God for the opportunity to camp with these students and pray for friendship, fun and faith to grow.

**Tuesday 14th** The Scots College Year 5 are at Attunga with Summit this week. Praise God for this new camp. Please pray this camp would run for many years in the future, so that kids can benefit from the mentoring received on camp and the Gospel would continue to be shared.

**Wednesday 15th** Praise God for The Scots College who are having their Year 4 camp at Lake Mac. Pray that the Summit team reveals Jesus' love to the kids on camp through their gentleness and joy this week - and that the kids will enjoy their time on camp.

**Thursday 16th** The Summit team is running a camp for Northern Beaches Christian School at Galston this week. Please pray for the hearts of these Year 5 kids, that they would consider what it means to follow Jesus whilst enjoying their camp activities.

**Friday 17th** Summit are with Medowie Year 7 on camp at Lake Mac. Please pray for safety as the leaders and campers complete many water and land activities.





**Saturday 18th** Praise God for the great people who are involved in the wastewater treatment project at Galston, which is set to begin next term. Pray that the contractors and suppliers we use will work with our interests at heart.

**Sunday 19th** Praise God for the many Christian students who have shared that they have grown in their knowledge and love of God through their lunchtime CRU Group.

**Monday 20th** Summit is running a camp for St Philip's Newcastle Year 3 at Lake Mac! Praise God for these kids and pray that they would learn more about our great God while having a fun time on camp.

**Tuesday 21st** The Scots School Years 3-6 are on camp at Galston this week. Please pray for the Summit leaders to facilitate a fantastic camp for many different age groups.

**Wednesday 22nd** Summit is running the Barker Year 3-4 camp at Galston. Please pray for energy and patience as the leaders run a full and fun program for these young boys.

**Thursday 23rd** Praise God for the Arden Year 4 camp this week! Pray that they would enjoy their time in God's creation at Galston, and pray for the Summit leaders to build good relationships with the kids this week.

**Friday 24th** Over 300 businessmen and women are enjoying fellowship together at the Crusader Business Lunch today at NSW Parliament House. Please pray that they will be inspired to support the ministry of CRU as they hear how God has been powerfully at work in the lives of young people.

**Saturday 25th** Arden Year 6 have just completed their camp at Lake Mac this week. Please pray that the conversations had in discussion groups about faith, friendship and family will stay with the campers and that they will continue to consider the truths of the Gospel.

**Sunday 26th** Thank God for the Finance and Administration team. Pray they continue to use wisdom and diligence to ensure everything 'behind the scenes' is in place so that the ministries can operate smoothly.

**Monday 27th** Thank God for the work that has been done to complete a new CRU resource on 1 Peter for School CRU Groups.

**Tuesday 28th** Praise God for the Roseville Year 5 Summit camp at Lake Mac this week. Please pray that the girls are built up in their self-esteem as they complete many activities outside their comfort zone and are invited to think about what life with Jesus looks like.

**Wednesday 29th** Please pray for Oxford Falls Year 11 at Galston with the Summit leaders this week. Pray that the leaders would be able to show how great a life with Jesus can be through their interactions and conversations with each other and the students.

**Thursday 30th** Praise God that Summit is with St Catherine's Year 6 at Galston. Please pray that the leaders would be filled with kindness and create a great camp culture through the way they interact with the girls.

**Friday 31st** St Philip's Newcastle Year 4 is with the Summit team this week. Please pray that the students would enjoy spending time at Lake Mac, completing many exciting activities.

# April

**Saturday 1st** Pray for the theory and practical training blocks that the Summit Fellows are completing, that they will understand and remember everything that is being taught so that they can better serve in their role at Summit.

**Sunday 2nd** Ask God for safety for the Calrossy Year 7 girls as they travel from Tamworth to Lake Mac for camp this week. Pray that the leaders would show God's goodness and love to these students.

**Monday 3rd** Please ask God for protection and diligence for the Galston kitchen team as they seek to provide food that is healthy, safe and enjoyable.

**Tuesday 4th** Summit are running a camp for Wycliffe Year 7-8. Please pray for safety as they hike from Crosslands to Galston and good conversations along the way.

**Wednesday 5th** Belmont Year 7 is at Galston this week. Please pray for energy for the Summit team as they lead the students in outdoor activities and talk to them about following Jesus.

**Thursday 6th** Covenant Year 7 are at Lake Mac this week with the Summit team. Please pray for the students to be ready to hear the Gospel and respond to it, as well as having a fun and safe time on camp.

**Friday 7th** Please pray for the Belmont Year 8 camp this week as they hike from Galston to Crosslands with the Summit leaders. Please pray for a fun camping experience which creates a good platform to talk about God and His creation.

**Saturday 8th** Praise God for the way God is growing CRU Group ministry in Canberra over the last 6 years with 15 schools now supported regularly by CRU.

**Sunday 9th** Praise God for St Peter's East Lindfield and their dedication to running CRU Zing Day Camp that starts tomorrow. Give thanks for the way it has grown and shaped young lives over the past few years.

**Monday 10th** Pray for Emma Bennett and the Pumped team - that God will work powerfully in the lives of these young campers.

**Tuesday 11th** Give thanks for Green Point Christian College and the partnership CRU has with them in running this awesome Day Camp. Please pray that the kids will have every opportunity to learn about Jesus while they enjoy their activities.

**Wednesday 12th** Pray for safety as the Destination Queensland Camp travels to and from QLD by bus and that they have a fantastic time at the theme parks while hearing about how great our God is.

**Thursday 13th** Give thanks for Autumn Study Camp 1, the director Tori Emmerson and the dedicated team of leaders that really care about the campers on their camp. Pray for soft and receptive hearts.

**Friday 14th** Pray for Jess and the team as they head to QLD with the campers on Queensland Mania. Pray for safety and lots of fun, that the campers can engage well with the Bible and that they can make the most of discussion group.



**Saturday 15th** Pray that the Summit team would continually desire to know God deeply and love his Word. Pray that this would be evident to all those who come on camp.

**Sunday 16th** Praise God for the experienced team of leaders on Evacu8 Camp that starts tomorrow. Please pray that they can care practically for many campers from varied backgrounds and that each camper will learn how loved they are by Christ.

**Monday 17th** Give thanks to God for Master Chef Camp happening this week. Please pray that it will encourage kids to be creative and that the campers will be open to the Gospel.

**Tuesday 18th** Pray for the girls on Autumn Trails Camp this week and the opportunity they have to spend time riding horses and connecting with one another. Give thanks to God for this great campsite and the Attunga staff.

**Wednesday 19th** Pray for Lauren, Grant and the team of leaders it takes to run a study camp. Please pray that there will be a great community atmosphere on Autumn Study Camp 2 and there will be many opportunities for meaningful conversations about Christ with campers.

**Thursday 20th** Praise God that we have such a great opportunity to run a third Autumn Study Camp this year. Pray that this camp will be a great opportunity to set campers up for the year ahead with their study and that it will also introduce many of them to Jesus.

**Friday 21st** Give thanks for the Autumn Adventure Day Camp that took place this week. Please pray that the small group of campers take home great memories of a fun and inspiring camp experience at Galston.

**Saturday 22nd** Please pray for wisdom for school Principals as they make important decisions to lead their school.

**Sunday 23rd** Praise God that Inaburra Junior School has started using the CRU resources and are loving getting deep into the Word.

**Monday 24th** Pray for Sophie, who attended QLD Mania last year and decided to follow Jesus. Pray she is able to go to church and grow closer to God this year.

**Tuesday 25th** Pray for our Executive Director, Gary, as he leads all staff at Crusaders. Ask God to give him energy and wisdom to represent Him in all decisions.

**Wednesday 26th** Summit are on camp with Shire Christian Year 10 at Galston this week. Please pray that the Christian students on this camp would be challenged to love Jesus more and to invest deeper in their relationship with him. Pray that all of the students are cared for by our leaders so they can have a fun and safe camp experience.

**Thursday 27th** Praise God that several Year 9 girls at St Catherine's started a weekly Bible study group at the end of last year for anyone in their year group. Pray that God will bless and sustain the group as they learn from the Word together and that the girls will grow in their faith and spiritual maturity.

**Friday 28th** Pray for creativity, insight and wisdom for the Marketing and Fundraising teams as they produce material to promote the activities of Crusaders and current needs for support. Ask that God would use their efforts mightily to bring more young people into His family.

**Saturday 29th** Praise God that Luke in Year 8 really enjoyed his discussion group on his recent Summit Camp. Luke said at the discussion group on the last day of camp, "I wasn't looking forward to discussion groups on the first day but now I am!"

**Sunday 30th** Thank God that our Outdoor Leaders can visit schools after camp to present certificates to each camper and to attend their CRU Group. Pray that this would be a great link between Summit and Schools Ministry.

## May

**Monday 1st** Pray for the Crusader Council members who are meeting tonight. Ask God to give them wisdom in their leadership of Crusaders.

**Tuesday 2nd** The Summit leaders are running the Northern Beaches Christian School Aqua Adrenaline camp again this year at Lake Mac. Pray for a great time of water sports and land activities. Pray that the leaders would be able to facilitate a great camp for many age groups.

**Wednesday 3rd** Pray for the new Summit Fellows as they start Term 2. They will be busy training and leading on lots of camps! Pray that they can find time to rest in God.

**Thursday 4th** Please pray for the William Clarke Year 8 camp at Attunga. Pray that the Summit team will be able to manage the logistics on this camp with over 150 students attending. Praise God for the Gospel opportunities that this camp brings.

**Friday 5th** Pray that the upcoming VOLT Winter Training Event (20th May) will be a great time for volunteer camp leaders to come together to be trained for camp, built up in God's Word and to feel part of the wider CRU community.

**Saturday 6th** Pray that God would provide the Summit team with energy, patience and Christ-like love as there are many camps happening this term. Pray that each of them would individually prioritise spending time with and resting in God.

**Sunday 7th** Praise God that the Year 6 students at Trinity Christian College in Canberra stepped up last year to run the CRU Group on their own. Pray that God will lift up more students to get actively involved in the Group this year and that He will bless them with growth, both in terms of numbers and maturity.

**Monday 8th** Praise God that Cecilia in Year 4 can now ride a bike! On her recent Summit camp Cecilia started the activity not knowing how to ride a bike, and by the end she could ride by herself. She was so excited that she even had a go on the BMX track and made it all the way without falling over! Thank God for the confidence building that our activities encourage for young people on camp.

**Tuesday 9th** Praise God that He doubled the numbers of the Blue Mountains Grammar Junior CRU Group last year! Please pray that God will continue to bless this group abundantly in and that it will continue to grow.





**Wednesday 10th** Pray for Lakes School Year 8 who are on camp this week at Lake Mac. Pray that God would keep the Summit Team and the campers safe as they complete many activities and spent some time on the water.

**Thursday 11th** As our EOFY Tax Appeal is underway this month, please pray that our donors will be encouraged and generous in their support to help more kids hear the life-saving message of Jesus.

**Friday 12th** Praise God that the St Peter's Year 2 Day Camp is running this week. Pray that the leaders will show Christ's love as they are responsible for enjoyment and safety of these young campers.

**Saturday 13th** Pray for Christian students to stand up for Jesus and be courageous in sharing their faith amongst peers at school.

**Sunday 14th** Praise God for Jessica\* from Arndell Anglican Senior School who shared at chapel a few months ago about how she went on CrossTrain and really grew in her faith. Praise God that she was bold enough to share in front of the whole school how it can be hard being a Christian at her school, but so worthwhile because she now knows God as her loving Father.

**Monday 15th** Please pray that the Galston team will continue to serve one another well as they seek to assist God in His plan to bring people to know Jesus.

**Tuesday 16th** Pray for the Summit team running the Kuyper Year 7-8 camp at Galston. Pray that the leaders would have wisdom in leading discussion groups with these students.

**Wednesday 17th** Summit are running the Northcross Year 3-4 Camp at Galston. Pray that the students will have a great few days away where they have the opportunity to learn more about themselves, their classmates and God.

**Thursday 18th** Praise God that over 50 students from The King's Senior School and Tara Senior School attended a combined CRU breakfast a few months ago. Please pray that this partnership will continue to flourish in as the students encourage each other in their friendships and spiritual journeys.

**Friday 19th** Northcross Year 5-6 are at Lake Mac with the Summit team this week. Pray that they can leave camp with deeper friendships and knowing more about our great God!

**Saturday 20th** Praise God for a wonderful 6 years of CRU ministry in the ACT. Please pray that teachers will continue to be sustained in the Lord and that they can keep encouraging one another by sharing great stories of what God is doing in CRU Groups in their schools.

**Sunday 21st** Praise God for the team of ex-students who are running the CRU Group each week at Blue Mountains Grammar Junior School. Please pray that God will be blessing their plans to run a Year 7 group for , so they can help the Year 6 kids from last year transition into high school and continue growing in their faith.

**Monday 22nd** St Paul's Year 8-9 Camp is running at Lake Mac this week. Pray the leaders will have the wisdom to care for the students on the margins - and for Jesus to be made known through the discussion groups.

**Tuesday 23rd** Praise God for the new school which teamed up with CRU last year, Orange Anglican Grammar School, and please pray that God will bless their plans to start CRU Groups in both the Junior and Senior Schools this year.

**Wednesday 24th** St Catherine's Year 9 is at Mount Victoria. Praise God for this new camp! Pray that the Summit leaders will be great examples to the students and that God will allow great discussions to happen throughout the week.

**Thursday 25th** Praise God for the new CRU Group at Wycliffe Christian Junior School that started running at the end of last year and for the high school students willing to lead it. Please pray that God will bless it abundantly and that He will bring kids to know Him through the group.

**Friday 26th** Praise God for Jasmine\*, a Year 12 girl from Tara who shared her testimony in chapel a few months ago, which resulted in two girls wanting to start reading the Bible. Please pray that God will continue revealing Himself to these girls and that He will keep using Jasmine as a light in the world.

**Saturday 27th** Praise God for the new Summit Fellows who started with us this year. Pray that God would be equipping them with the skills they need to keep campers safe, build relationships and share the Gospel.

**Sunday 28th** Praise God for the new Year 5-6 CRU Group that was started at the end of last year at The King's Preparatory School. Please pray that all of the boys who attended last year will continue to go along this year and bring their friends as they learn about the goodness and grace of the Gospel.

**Monday 29th** Thank God for the Christian teachers who give up their time to oversee lunchtime CRU Groups in schools.

**Tuesday 30th** Please pray that Dave and Margie Wood will be looking and listening to God in all that they do at Lake Mac as they seek to serve Him through their roles on site.

**Wednesday 31st** The Summit team are with Tara Year 3-4 at Galston. Pray that they will have an enjoyable time exploring creation, learning about God and themselves.

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