

WEEKLY
prayer
DIARY



*“I have seen you in the sanctuary and
beheld your power and your glory.
Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.
I will praise you as long as I live, and
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul will be satisfied as with the
richest of foods;
With singing lips my mouth will praise you.”*

(Psalm 63:2–5 NIV)

What a wonderful time to lift your eyes up to God and to praise Him — for who He is, for what He’s done through Jesus, for His power and glory and for how He works through all things for His purposes. How could we not praise and thank Him!

We hope that you find this Prayer Diary helpful as you give thanks for the ministry of CRU and bring before our heavenly Father the young people we seek to reach with the Good News of Jesus over the next few months.

CRU’S VISION

To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to the students of the independent schools of Australia, to nurture Christians, encourage church membership and train young Christians for a life of servant leadership.



NOVEMBER

Week starting Sunday 2 November

Thank God for the CRU Wills Days and for the lawyers who generously donated their time to assist people to write or update their Wills for free. Give thanks for those who included a gift to CRU to help reach thousands more children with the gospel in the future. Pray also for Schools Ministry's 'MegaCRU' event on Friday afternoon. Pray that it would be an encouraging time for all the students who attend from various schools around Sydney.

Week starting Sunday 9 November

Praise God for His work through CRU West over the past 10 years, reaching thousands of young people in WA with the gospel through camps and in schools. Pray for the Anniversary Dinner being held this week as this special milestone is celebrated.

Week starting Sunday 16 November

Please pray for CRU's current and future staffing needs, that God would be raising up faithful and gifted Christians who have a heart for kids to join our team. While there are vacancies at Galston and Eastwood especially, please pray that staff would be relying on God's wisdom and strength while we wait for these positions to be filled. Pray also for the CRU Finance Committee as they meet this week, that God would be helping them to make wise decisions to ensure CRU's work can continue effectively and efficiently.

Week starting Sunday 23 November

Please continue praying for the CRU Properties Committee as they meet this week. Praise God for the way this team oversees both our Galston Gorge and Lake Macquarie campsites and pray for wisdom as they make decisions regarding our sites. Ask that God would continue to sustain our site staff during this busy season. Pray they would be able to find opportunities to rest and recover and that God would provide more godly people to join these teams in the coming months.

Week starting Sunday 30 November

Thank God for our CRU Educational Camps team as they finish off the year with the last few school camps over the next two weeks. Give thanks to God for His work through their desire to share the gospel with students and teachers on over 170 school camps this year. Thank God that He has sustained them through a busy year and pray that the team might rest well find refreshment in readiness for next year. Pray that God would continue to be providing godly people to fill necessary positions in the team, particularly Summit Trainees for 2026.

DECEMBER

Week starting Sunday 7 December

Please pray for all volunteers, leaders, directors and staff involved in the summer CRU Holiday Camps season which starts this week. Ask that God would sustain and encourage each of them this season and that He would be working through them to bring many into His kingdom. Pray particularly for the three camps being held this week and for the campers attending them, that their hearts would be open to hearing the truth of the gospel as they enjoy fun activities.

Week starting Sunday 14 December

Give thanks for our awesome volunteers who give generously of their time and resources to help out with various projects at the Eastwood office. Praise God for their willingness to help and for their encouragement. We are so grateful for them! Thank God also for the kitchen staff at our sites who provide meals for all our guests. Ask that God would be protecting them from illness during this busy season.

Week starting Sunday 21 December

Praise God for the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ! As we celebrate Jesus' birth this Christmas season, please pray for opportunities to boldly share our joy and hope with family and friends. Pray also for the staff who are on leave over this Christmas period, for safety as they travel and for rest and refreshment during their time off.

Week starting Sunday 28 December

Thank God for how He has worked powerfully through CRU this year to reach many young people with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ask that He might continue to work mightily through CRU next year.



JANUARY

Week starting Sunday 4 January

Praise God for the CRU Holiday Camps this week — Big Summer 1 (CRU West), Extreme Games, Sailing Adventure (Jnr, Mid & Snr) and CRU Hype. Pray that the campers would enjoy all the fun activities and that God would be opening their hearts and minds to His truth. Pray also for the directors and leaders, that God would be providing them with energy for the week ahead and would be protecting them from illness or injury.

Week starting Sunday 11 January

Please keep the Schools Ministry team in your prayers as they prepare for the year ahead, planning school visits, writing Bible talks and producing resources. Praise God for the great relationships we have with many schools in NSW, WA and the ACT, and for the opportunities we have to share Jesus with thousands of students in independent schools. Pray that the school visits undertaken in Term 1 would be encouraging, thought-provoking and fruitful.

Week starting Sunday 18 January

Pray for the four Holiday Camps running this week — Summer Study 2, CRU Surf, Beach Blitz and Triple S. Please keep the directors and leadership teams in your prayers this week, for energy, creativity and wisdom as they build relationships with the campers. Please also pray for the site staff as they work tirelessly to take care of many campers over the summer. Continue to ask that God would raise up faithful harvest workers to join CRU to fill gaps and that, as an organisation, we'd be trusting in God's timing for the provision of these people.

Week starting Sunday 25 January

Give thanks for the Summit Trainees who graduated last week and finished up at CRU. Pray they would continue serving God faithfully wherever He places them in the future. Praise Him that the Thanksgiving Service last week was an encouraging time of fellowship, celebrating what God has done through CRU Educational Camps last year.

FEBRUARY

Week starting Sunday 1 February

Give thanks to God for the new Summit trainees who have eagerly joined the CRU Educational Camps team this year. Pray they would settle into their roles well, be trained effectively and lead on school camps this term with confidence knowing God is working through them. Ask that God would sustain and encourage them as they serve the campers in their care.

Week starting Sunday 8 February

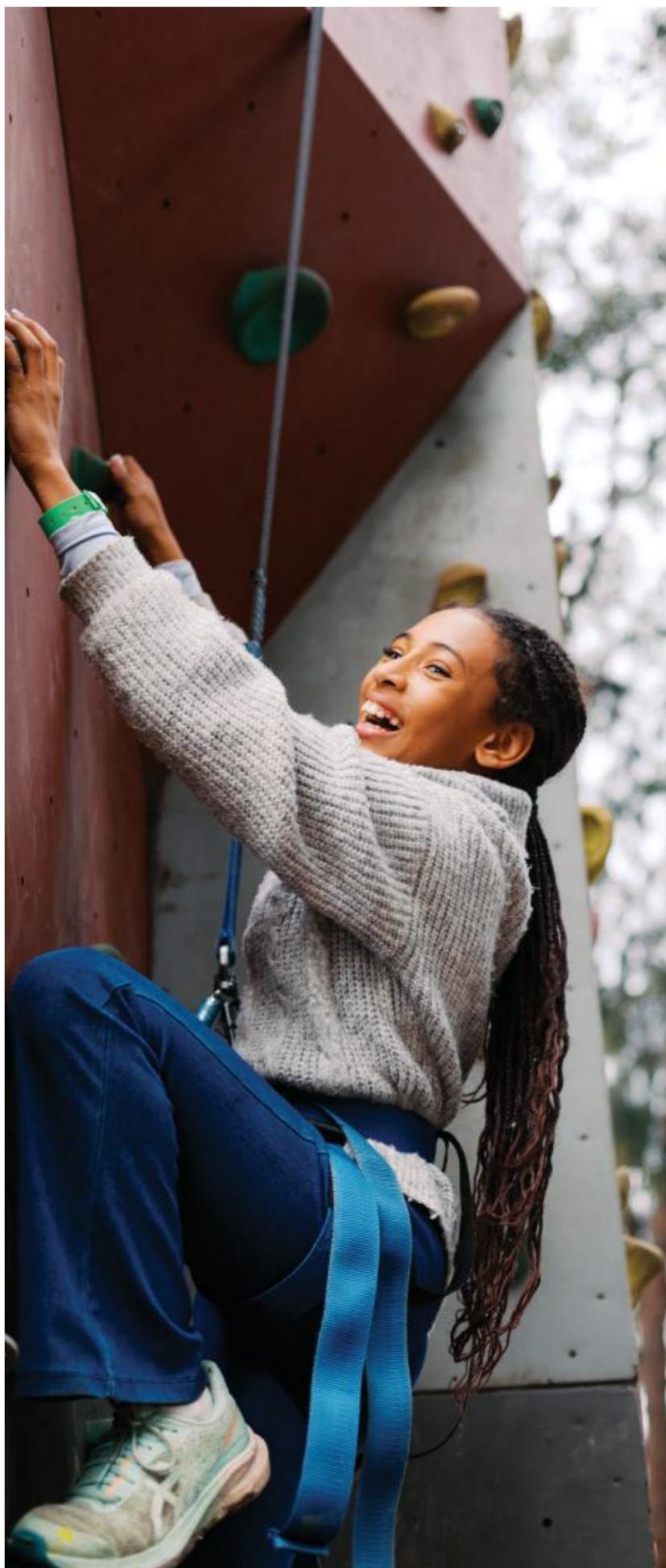
Praise God for the way He guides those making decisions for CRU. Please continue asking God for wisdom for all those who oversee the strategic direction of CRU. Pray for clarity and discernment in conversations as the CRU Annual General Meeting and Board Meeting take place this week.

Week starting Sunday 15 February

Pray for the five camps the CRU Educational team is running at CRU Lake Mac and CRU Galston Gorge this week and for the students attending, that God would be powerfully at work. Please pray for all those staying at CRU sites this week, that God would be opening the hearts of students and teachers alike to the gospel. Pray also for the CRU Educational Camps team, that they may be spurred on to continue sharing their joy and faith boldly.

Week starting Sunday 22 February

We acknowledge the importance of all the behind-the-scenes work that is necessary for frontline ministry to occur on camps and in schools. Please join us in thanking God for the administration team who manage CRU's finances and IT, which is crucial in enabling the gospel to be shared with young people! Please pray that this team would be encouraged in their roles as they hear stories of campers coming to know Jesus and growing in faith.



MARCH

Week starting Sunday 1 March

Before the autumn holiday season begins, please ask that God would go before the CRU Holiday Camps and Day Camps teams as they prepare for another busy season. Pray for their planning and organising for each camp and ask God to provide energy, patience and good communication as their workload increases.

Week starting Sunday 8 March

Give great thanks for all those who will attend CRU's Business Lunch (our largest fundraising event of the year) which is running this week, and for the Communications team as they pull together all the last-minute details. Please pray that guests would be encouraged to partner with CRU financially as they are encouraged in their own faith and hear stories of lives transformed by Christ through CRU.

Week starting Sunday 15 March

Please be praying for the CRU Educational Camps team who are running four camps this week. We are thankful for the enthusiasm of each staff member who are eager to serve God on camp or in the office. Pray that God would give them abundant assurance of His love and faithfulness as they work. Ask that many children might come to know the good news of what God has accomplished for them through His Son on these camps.

Week starting Sunday 22 March

Join us as we give thanks for the passion and faithfulness of the CRU West team based in Perth. Please be praying the God would continue strengthening relationships with schools and churches in WA so that the gospel can be spread to youth throughout Perth and beyond. Ask that God would be guiding the CRU West team through challenges that may arise and be strengthening them to share His truth in full faith and assurance.

Week starting Sunday 29 March

As the CRU Holiday Camps autumn season commences, please bring the camp directors, leaders and speakers before the Lord, asking that He would be working through them mightily, opening children's hearts and minds to receive Jesus as their Saviour and King. Ask that leaders would be salt and light as they model what it looks like to live as a Christian to the campers in their care. May they be kind, gracious and careful as they answer campers' questions about faith and life.

APRIL

Week starting Sunday 5 April

We praise God for the way He has provided a way for us to be in relationship with Him through Jesus' death and resurrection. As we celebrate Easter this week, rejoice with all Christians around the world, as we remember that death and sin have been defeated because of all that Jesus has accomplished. Please pray that Christians everywhere may be bold in sharing this great news of hope with those who don't yet know Jesus.

Week starting Sunday 12 April

Give thanks for the Holiday Camps this week. Please be praying for Club Mac, Aussie Adventure, Autumn Study 2 and Autumn Explorers. Pray that campers would enjoy the activities and that God would be powerfully at work in their lives as they consider the gospel message. Pray also for the volunteer directors and leaders, that they would be enthusiastic about the week ahead and ready to share God's Word faithfully.

Week starting Sunday 19 April

We thank God for the opportunities we have to share the gospel with school students as we head into Term 2. Please pray for the Schools Ministry team as they prepare to touch base with teachers and Chaplains and organise school visits. Please pray that God would be sustaining them in health and joy as they continue to go into schools and share the good news of Jesus in assemblies, chapel services and CRU groups, particularly when it may be challenging. Please pray that relationships with Chaplains, Heads of schools and teachers will continue to deepen and flourish, as we partner with schools in ministry.

Week starting Sunday 26 April

Praise God for what He has been doing through CRU Educational Camps this term. Give thanks for the four camps running this week, and the opportunity to share God's saving work with students and teachers. Ask that God would be softening students' hearts this week and that they would be receptive to hearing the gospel. Ask that God would be sustaining the team as they run these camps and that they would be filled with His strength and wisdom.



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