

World Wide Prayer meeting – June 9, 2016

*“Prayer gently lifts me to highest Heaven, from earth's confusion to Jesus' breast;
My sin and weakness, my doubt and sorrow, are lost forever in sweetest rest.” (TB800)*

The Lord's Prayer – “Our Father”

“This is my father's World”(NSB 66/167; OSB 42/186)

“Prayer makes the soldier's armour bright;
and Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees.”

Pakistan

- Pakistan, officially the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, is a country in South Asia. It is the sixth-most populous country with a population exceeding 199 million people.
- Pakistan is the second most populous Muslim-majority country and has the second largest Shia population in the world after Iran. About 97.0% of Pakistanis are Muslims
 - After Islam, Hinduism and Christianity are the largest religions in Pakistan, with 2,800,000 (1.6%) adherents each in 2005.
- In 2014, the World Economic Forum ranked Pakistan as the second worst country in the world in gender equality.

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SA in Pakistan: Leaders - **Col. Ivor and Carol Telfer and Lt. Col. Washington Daniel**

SECURITY FOR CHRISTIANS Despite the good support being given to us by the local police and the intelligence services, we still have concerns for the safety and security of our worshippers as there are still various targeted attacks, on a small scale, against Christians. Many are still in fear following the Easter Sunday evening park bombing in Lahore. Please pray for safety and security and for our people to be courageous.

RE-REGISTRATION OF THE SALVATION ARMY IN PAKISTAN Our registration should be renewed every five years. The intelligence services visit us every other week to ask further questions. Please pray for a positive and quick acceptance of our re-registration documentation.

CONTINUED FINANCIAL CHALLENGES Stewardship teaching has been rolled out throughout the Territory and we are seeing an increase in giving. However, as most of our soldiers are poor, even with these increases, we cannot fund most of our corps. We are not allowed to raise funds in Pakistan through any kind of street collection or from business as we are Christian (despite our services being offer to all and being used by many Muslims). We are focusing on our trading activities and prayers for these and our financial situation, with a decrease from IHQ, will be very much appreciated. (We also thank IHQ for specific funding help we have received

especially for the solar power which is nearly complete and should be coming on line within the next couple of weeks. This will greatly reduce our expenditure on electricity and on diesel fuel for the generator!)

NEW DIVISIONAL STRUCTURE Following approval through Chief's Business, the new structure was rolled out in mid April with the three largest divisions having DLs plus mission, business and family officers and the other 4 smaller divisions having business and family officers.

NEW PLANT IN QUETTA, BALUCHISTAN PROVINCE Our specific prayers need to be for the safety of the Majors as this can be a troubled area, for warm reception from the other church leaders, for acceptance from the provincial government and for on-going funding to be available.

ON-GOING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TERRITORIAL VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT AND THE ADDITION OF OUR VALUES STATEMENT

THE VISIT OF THE CHIEF OF THE STAFF AND THE ZSWM IN DECEMBER 2016

"Father, hear the prayer we offer" (NSB 749;OSB 570/396)

Territorial Focus:

Covenant Day and Commissioning, Candidates preparing for College
Family Camp at Jackson's Point, Camping Ministries, Rest and renewal for those on vacation,
Fort McMurray – Majors Ron and Toni Cartmell and all support staff
Officers in transition and the corresponding relationships, ministries that are impacted.
Cross, Captain Diane – Corps Officer, Burnaby – Metrotown Citadel, BC

"For This I have Jesus"

Evening Prayer and Benediction:

*Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work,
or watch, or weep this night.
And give your angels
charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ:
give rest to the weary, bless the dying,
soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted,
shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.*