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OUR MISSION: To assist in the development of Christian leaders in the armed forces of the world and in the establishment and growth of military Christian fellowships.

AMCF/ACCTS DAY OF PRAYER AND PRAISE!

5 October 2019

Please join military and civilian Christians around the world on 5 October as we pray for the needs of military Christians and military Christian fellowships (MCFs) around the world.

General Prayer Items:

Pray for God's leading and blessing on all AMCF (Association of Military Christian Fellowships) leaders, including the president and regional vice presidents. Several vice presidents are new to their positions – pray especially for wisdom for the newer members of the presidential bench. Pray especially for the 6-11 October Quinquennial gathering of AMCF leaders, asking for God's leading for everyone who is in attendance.

Pray for wisdom for the three organizations that are AMCF's principal supporting organizations: ACCTS in the USA; MMI in the UK; and MSO in South Korea. Praise God for their faithfulness in service to AMCF and Christ.

As you pray through this newsletter, please also pray that military believers and military Christian fellowships (MCFs) around the world will be effective and faithful witnesses to their coworkers, family, and friends. Ask that prayer be central to their ministries and that they listen to the Holy Spirit's leading. Pray for international chaplains and their families, for veterans and their families, and for the spiritual growth and development of young military Christians worldwide. Ask the Holy Spirit to give unity between Christians in each country and as they work with believers in other nations who are from different denominations and confessions.

National Prayer Requests:

Afghanistan Pray that the Taliban will be defeated so that peace can come to this war-beleaguered nation.

Angola Pray with MCF leaders who are working to establish a chaplaincy in the Angolan army and police forces. Pray for wisdom and joy for MCF leaders.

Argentina Pray that Argentina will recover from its severe economic crisis and pray that military believers will continue to put their faith in Christ during difficult times.

Armenia Praise God for increasing contact with military Christians in this nation and pray that military ministry will begin and flourish.

Azerbaijan Give praise for new contacts and pray for military believers as they function in a government that doesn't allow full religious freedom.

Australia Pray for wisdom for MCF leaders and members as they minister in an increasingly secular environment. Pray that new MCF leaders, who will be selected in November, will be led by the Holy Spirit. *continued on page 2*

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Bahamas Pray for this island nation as it recovers from the devastating damage caused by Hurricane Dorian.

Bangladesh Praise God and pray for military Christians and their MCF as they share Christ in this primarily Muslim nation. This is the world's 9th most populous country.

Belgium Pray for the re-emergence of an MCF in Belgium.

Botswana Pray that the Holy Spirit's flame will be ablaze in military Christians, especially those who are re-starting an active MCF and ministering in the military hospital. Pray that young MCF members will develop into future leaders.

Brazil This nation is the 5th most populous country and has the largest MCF in the world. Praise God for the strength of this MCF and pray that God will continually guide its leaders and members as they share the Good News of Christ with their coworkers.

Canada Pray that military believers in this nation, which is becoming increasingly non-religious, will have wisdom as they share their faith with their coworkers. Pray that the MCF will grow and strengthen.

Cape Verde Pray for the MCF to grow and mature into an effective group.

China In this most populous nation on our planet, religious expression takes place within government-sanctioned religious organizations and registered places of worship. The government officially endorses atheism. Even so, Christianity is growing tremendously. Praise God for believers in this powerful nation and pray that the government will fully embrace freedom of religion for its citizens.

Colombia Pray with Colombia, which is at risk of war again as the communist group FARC ramps up its activities. Pray that military Christians will shine as beacons of Christ's light in a dark time.

Comoros Call upon God for encouragement, strength, and protection for military Chris-

tians in the Christian-hostile environment of this island nation.

Congo, Dem. Republic of More than 100 armed groups continue to terrorize civilians. Pray for peace and justice and pray specifically that military believers will continue to be a blessing to their nation.

Cuba Pray that military Christians in Cuba will have the freedom to form their own military Christian fellowship. Pray that their numbers will increase.

Czech Republic Pray for the MCF to flourish and grow, and that individuals will be raised up to help the MCF.

Egypt This is the 14th most populated country. Praise God for the small number of contacts AMCF has in this nation and pray for that number to grow. Ask that military believers be strengthened and encouraged in their faith.

Ethiopia In this 12th most populated country, pray for the development of more contacts with military Christians.

Equatorial Guinea Pray for AMCF ministry doors to be opened in this nation.

Fiji Pray that military believers will be encouraged through the October visit of two AMCF coworkers. Pray that these believers will grow in their faith.

France Pray that military Christians will exhibit the fruits of the Spirit in their lives as they live out their faith.

Gambia Pray that this small MCF will flourish and be revitalized, functional, and effective.

Germany Pray that this MCF, which is one of the oldest, will flourish with new, active-duty members.

Ghana Pray with MCF members as they share the Gospel and distribute Bibles to troops on deployment and at training centers.

Greece Pray for new life to start in this MCF.

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Ask that new members will be attracted to it and they will grow spiritually and numerically.

Guatemala Pray that MCF leaders will help their fellowship grow in strength and numbers.

Honduras Pray with the MCF as they work to get a chaplaincy authorized.

Hungary Pray that an MCF will be re-formed so that military ministry will flourish.

India This nation is the 2nd most populous country in the world. Praise God for faithful military Christians and pray for several new MCF groups which formed in the last few months. Pray against increasing religious persecution.

Indonesia Praise God for military believers in this nation, which is the 4th most populous country. Pray for Christians as they tell others about the hope of Christ and His redemption in this primarily Muslim nation.

Italy Pray that military Christians will have unity, wisdom, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Japan This is the 10th most populous country. Praise God for the small number of faithful believers and their vision for ministry within Japan and other nations.

Kenya Pray that MCF members will have the knowledge of God's love and share that love with others.

Kiribati Ask that the MCF be blessed through the October visit of two AMCF co-workers.

Kazakhstan Pray for strength, discernment, and safety for military Christians in this nation, which is 70% Muslim.

Kyrgyzstan Praise God for military Christians' faithfulness to Christ and pray for them as they serve God and their country in a nation that is often hostile to believers. Pray that local pastors will support the MCF and for wisdom as the MCF plans a conference for next year.

Lebanon Pray that military believers will meet often for fellowship and be strengthened in their faith by their meetings.

Lesotho Pray that this MCF will be revitalized – the death of its former leader has led to a smaller group. Pray for God's blessing and guidance on MCF members.

Liberia Pray for unity and reconciliation among all members of the MCF.

Madagascar Pray that the Malagasy MCF will be revitalized and that its members will have a strong commitment to spiritual development. Pray that chaplains will deliver ethical instruction and guidance.

Malawi Pray for God's guidance on a chaplain who is the new MCF leader, and that the group will be open to international fellowship.

Mauritius Pray for protection for Mauritian military believers who are in Christian-hostile surroundings. Pray that they will have wisdom in living out their faith and lives.

Mexico This nation is the 11th most populated country in the world but does not have an MCF since the government does not allow religious organizations that have ties to the military. Pray that military believers in Mexico will find ways to fellowship together.

Mongolia Give praise for multiple new MCF groups in this vast nation and pray for the ongoing discipling of believers. Pray that a cadet Bible study will be re-started and that the English Bible study will grow.

Mozambique Pray for a Mozambique MCF leader as she, with assistance from others, distributes Bibles to military and police forces.

Myanmar Non-Buddhists in Myanmar often experience hostility or outright persecution. Pray that full religious freedom will come to this nation and pray that military believers will extend Christ's love to everyone they meet.

Namibia Pray for good contacts with chaplains and that military believers in this nation will enjoy fellowship with neighboring

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nations' MCFs so that they can encourage one another.

New Zealand Pray that this nation will have leaders who are beacons of hope in the Southwest Pacific. Pray that the MCF chairman and other MCF leaders will have a strong team that supports them.

Nigeria Give praise and pray for strong, Spirit-led leadership in the MCF and unity among believers. Pray as they reach out to coworkers in the 7th most populated country.

Nepal Pray for God's blessings and guidance on MCF leaders and members. Less than 2% of Nepal's population are Christians.

Nicaragua Pray that military believers will be able to form an MCF so they can encourage each other in their faith.

North Korea Pray for wisdom for North Korea's political and military leaders. Pray for civilians and military personnel who are living in difficult times in their nation.

Pakistan Religious oppression is a problem in this, the 6th most populated country. Pray for encouragement and strength for military believers.

Panama Praise God for the conference the MCF hosted in September and ask that it continue to bless and encourage all participants.

Papua New Guinea Pray that the MCF PNG will flourish and that Jesus will be a unifying factor across the provinces. Pray that a Bible Society PNG camouflage Bible will be produced.

Philippines This archipelagic nation is the 13th most populated country. Pray that military believers will have spiritual understanding of God's will for their ministry and outreach.

Poland Ask that military believers be steadfast in their faith in Christ and share that faith with coworkers.

Portugal Give praise for 25 years of military

ministry through the MCF and pray with them as they celebrate this milestone from 14-20 October.

Russia This vast nation is the 9th most populated country. Pray for unity among Christians of different confessions and ask that they work together for Christ's kingdom in their powerful nation.

Sao Tome Pray for MCF leaders who are working to unite military Christians and reinvigorate the MCF. Pray for new leaders to develop who will share the burden of leadership.

Saudi Arabia Pray for Christians in this nation, which is hostile to non-Muslims.

Sierra Leone Praise God, and pray for, the new leadership of the chaplaincy. Pray that military Christians will be effective witnesses for Christ.

South Africa Pray for MCF leaders in the central Gauteng Province who are founding a new MCF. Ask that the Holy Spirit unite Christians in the SA National Defence Force, and especially among the four MCF groups in the Saldanha Bay area.

South Korea Praise God for the strength and vision of the MCF and ask God to continue leading and counseling them in their ministries for His Kingdom.

South Sudan Pray for peace in this nation which is experiencing civil war.

Spain Ask that military believers be united in their faith in Christ and concern for other people in their nation.

Sri Lanka Pray with the MCF as it ministers in its own nation and in others, including the Maldives.

Sudan Pray for military and civilian believers who experience hostility because of their faith.

Swaziland Pray for unity and peace among military Christians. Ask that the chaplaincy and MCF find ways to serve together to reach their nation for Christ.

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Syria Pray for desperately needed peace in this nation.

Tajikistan Praise God for military Christians in this nation and pray against ongoing religious persecution.

Tanzania Pray that MCF members be filled with the fruits of the Holy Spirit and wisdom in sharing Christ.

Tonga Pray that an October visit by AMCF co-workers, and a May 2020 visit by the AMCF vice president, will greatly encourage MCF leaders and members in this island nation.

Thailand Praise God for faithful military believers in this predominately Buddhist nation, and ask for the Spirit's wisdom as they live out their lives and share Christ's joy with their coworkers, families, and friends.

Turkey This MCF is not very active due to Muslim pressure; please pray that members will be strong in their faith and that more Christians will join the group.

Turkmenistan Pray that military Christians in this nation, which can be hostile toward Christians, will know the hope and peace God gives.

Uganda Pray that military Christians will continue to have integrity and perseverance.

Ukraine Praise God for devoted Christians who minister among the military and pray that God will continue to bless their wide variety of ministries.

United Kingdom Praise God for the MCFs in this nation, one of which is the oldest in the world. Pray for all military believers, asking that they be given wisdom in sharing their faith in an increasingly secular nation.

USA This is the 3rd most populous country in the world. Pray that military believers will be filled with humility and wisdom as they serve Christ in a nation that is increasingly non-religious.

Uzbekistan Pray against religious persecution in this nation and pray for wisdom for military Christians.

Vietnam In this 15th most populated nation, pray that persecution of Christians will cease. Praise God for faithful military believers in Vietnam.

Yemen Pray for peace in this nation, which has been engaged in civil war since 2015.

Zambia Ask that Christian military leaders have resolve and joy in spreading the Gospel inside the country's defense force. Pray that younger MCF members will develop strong leadership skills and bear fruit for Christ.

Zimbabwe Pray that stronger contacts with military Christians will develop and that they will be open to international fellowship. Ask that chaplains be guided by the Holy Spirit as they minister to Zimbabwe's armed forces personnel.

If you'd like to receive weekly military ministry prayer items from AMCF's partner, ACCTS, please email them at accts@accts.org to let them know.



Brazilian soldiers in prayer

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