

Join us in prayer for our Nation's Future

Jesus Christ is good news for society and the light of the world.

As we approach *Australia Votes 2022* this coming May, please join us in praying that our nation will be transformed by Jesus Christ. In this guide, you'll find a prayer and action prompt every day leading up to Election 2022.

There are many issues about which Christians are passionate, this calendar focusses on issues directly impacting Christian schools.

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Week 1: True Love Prays

MON April 11 Praise God that we live in a democracy and have the privilege of voting in free and open elections

TUE April 12 Are you and your family enrolled to vote? Check you are enrolled at the Australian Electoral Commission: check.aec.gov.au

WED April 13 Pray for the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition, that they will be kept safe as they travel across the Nation during the campaign.

THU April 14 Do you know your Federal electorate? Make sure you are by checking here: electorate.aec.gov.au

FRI April 15 Pray for Christians involved in political parties and campaigns, that their light will shine in those environments.

SAT April 16 Is God calling you to be involved in supporting a candidate in this election? Ask Him for guidance.

SUN April 17 Pray for the media as they report on and shape the coverage of this election campaign. Pray that probing questions will be asked and the truth revealed.

Week 2: True Love Values Freedom

MON April 18 Take time today to make sure that you know who the candidates are in your electorate- ab.co/37kk6RM

TUE April 19 People of faith have no Federal protection against discrimination. Pray that parties will commit to providing strong protections against religious discrimination.

WED April 20 Rohan* is a Christian doctor from Queensland. Rohan posted on Twitter sharing his Christian perspective on abortion. An overseas Twitter user found Rohan's posts and harassed Rohan about his religious convictions, reporting Rohan to the Medical Board of Australia. The Board placed Rohan under investigation despite the fact that the complaint was ideologically motivated, and the complainant wasn't in Australia - (see more australiawatch.com.au/rohan). Pray that protections for people like Rohan will be supported by parties and candidates. (*Not his real name)

THU April 21 Take time today to contact your candidates and ask about these essential rights - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022

FRI April 22 Pray for Christians seeking election. Ask God to give them courage and wisdom to live faithfully and speak truthfully in their roles, even when they face opposition.

SAT April 23 Pray that traditional freedoms that form the foundation of our society, freedom of speech, freedom of association and freedom of religion, will be supported by candidates this election.

SUN April 24 Share this prayer calendar with family, friends and people at your church.



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Week 3: True Love Teaches Our Foundation

MON
April 25 Christian schools need legal protections to ensure they can continue to teach in accordance with Biblical principles. Please pray that candidates will be elected who support this essential right.

TUE
April 26 Christian schools need legal protections to ensure they can continue to **employ staff who share their beliefs**. Please pray that candidates will be elected who support this essential right.

WED
April 27 Take time today to contact your candidates and ask about these essential rights - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022

THU
April 28 Pray for those voting for the first time in this Federal election, that young Christian voters will be discerning and led by the Holy Spirit.

FRI
April 29 Take time today to contact your Senate candidates and ask about protections for Christian schools - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022Senate

SAT
April 30 Ephesians 4:15 calls us to "speak the truth in love." Pray that Christians across the nation will speak the truth of Jesus with compassion, clarity and confidence as we discuss this election.

SUN
May 1 Australians overwhelmingly support the right of parents to choose a school which reflects their beliefs, pray that parties will commit to ensuring that this right is protected by law.

Week 4: True Love Values Family

MON
May 2 Take time today to contact your candidates and ask about this essential right to choose a school that reflects your beliefs - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022

TUE
May 3 "That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh." (Genesis 2:24). Thank God for his beautiful gift of marriage and His "purpose in creating humans as male and female", pray that we elect MPs that support families.

WED
May 4 "So God created mankind in His own image..." (Genesis 1:27). Thank God for the immense dignity, value and miracle of every human life.

THU
May 5 Families need to be able to raise their children without government interference. Pray that parties support family friendly policies.

FRI
May 6 Take time today to contact your candidates and ask about their policies supporting families - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022

SAT
May 7 Pray for the candidates in your electorate, ask God to provide you with an opportunity to meet them during the campaign.

SUN
May 8 Pray that God would give Christian leaders wisdom and effectiveness as they seek to communicate the truth of Jesus in public, especially in the media, politics and law.

*I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you*

PSALM 32:8



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Week 5: True Love Cares For All Generations

MON
May 9 *Calls for funding to be taken away from Christian schools continue. Pray that candidates will continue to support funding for Christian schools.*

TUE
May 10 *Other opponents of Christian schools want to impose a range of conditions and rules on funding, drowning schools in 'red tape'. Pray that policies that impose conditions on funding will not be supported by MPs.*

WED
May 11 *Take time today to contact your candidates and ask about these essential rights - valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022*

THU
May 12 *Thank God for the wonderful gift of children. Pray that God will give parents wisdom and courage as they seek to raise their children with a Biblical worldview, and that this worldview will help shape how they vote.*

FRI
May 13 *Take time today to contact your Senate candidates and ask about protections for Christian schools
- valuedvoices.org.au/Aus2022Senate*

SAT
May 14 *As we enter the last week of the campaign, pray for our Nation - for wisdom and discernment as we make final decisions on which candidate and party to support.*

SUN
May 15 *"Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few"" (Matthew 9:37). Pray for the effective and faithful witness of Christians across the country. Ask God that we'd be a people known for speaking the truth with compassion and love.*

Week 6: True Love is Bold for Truth

MON
May 16 *Thank God that He has called us to be ambassadors for Jesus. Pray that He would give you boldness and opportunities to speak for Jesus in the coming weeks as people talk about politics.*

TUE
May 17 *"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters..." (Colossians 3:23). Pray that God will help Christians honour Him and serve others if called to serve in political life.*

WED
May 18 *"...And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:20). Ask God to fill you with confidence today to go and share His good news with those around you.*

THU
May 19 *Pray for the Senate candidates in your State or Territory, that God will raise up those who will ensure the 'peace, order, and good government of the Commonwealth'.*

FRI
May 20 *"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:32). Praise God that He has revealed His truth to us, and given us real freedom in Christ! Pray that Christians will use that freedom wisely as they vote.*

SAT
May 21 *Pray as we elect the leaders and decision makers of our country. Ask God that they would act justly and speak truthfully, and come to know, honour and speak the truth of Jesus.*



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