

**Prayer Points for Myanmar** 

As Australian Baptists, we join in prayer for Myanmar. These prayer points have been collated from messages and information shared by Burmese leaders in Australia.

One Burmese Pastor wrote, "According to UNHCR, more than 3.5 million people in Myanmar are now internally displaced. They need your voice, support and prayers. Please remember Myanmar in your prayers and worship services." Another shared, "We thank the Australian Baptists who are standing with us by sharing our responsibilities and burdens, raising voice and praying for the restoration of freedom and democracy in Myanmar."

## **Basic Needs**

This is a humanitarian crisis. Pray for the basic needs of vulnerable people to be met. Pray for communities to have access to food, clean water, shelter, sanitation, healthcare and education. Pray for humanitarian aid to reach those who need it most.

# Education

Pray for the children and youth who have gone many years without schooling. Pray that they will have the opportunity to learn in safety. One Burmese leader shared, "Displaced children lack access to proper education and schools, which is deeply concerning for the future, as the well-being of the next generation determines the future of our nation."

### Healing

For those who are experiencing the suffering and those who are hearing distressing accounts from loved ones, pray for healing from trauma. Pray for mental health support that is accessible and culturally contextualised.

# Safety and Peace

Ask for God's protection in uncertain and volatile times. Pray for communities to be able to live, work, play and worship in safety. Pray for Myanmar to be a place of peace, freedom and hope.

# **Diaspora Community**

Pray for God's comfort and presence for the diaspora community as they experience the pain of distance, anxiety for their families' safety and deep grief for those suffering.

# **Mission Opportunities**

Even in the midst of crisis, pray for Christian communities to be have opportunities to share the good news of Jesus through word and loving action. Pray for God to be at work through them.

#### Restoration

Ask for God's restoration and transformation in Myanmar. May love, justice and peace reign.

