



The Shield

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Praying for the Canadian
Military Community



Please join us daily and turn these scriptures into prayers for the themes identified below.

1. **Our nation:** The LORD foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples. But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations.” Psalm 33:10-11
2. **Our government leaders:** “I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— ²for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” 1 Timothy 2:1-2
3. **Our provinces and territories:** “May he rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.” Psalm 72:8
4. **Our communities:** “Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.” Hebrews 11:16
5. **Nations in the grips of war:** “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” John 14:27
6. **Our military bases, stations, and ships:** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13
7. **Our local churches:** “I appeal to you, brothers, and sisters in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.” 1 Corinthians 1:10
8. **Our senior military leaders:** “Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.” Philippians 2:3
9. **Our junior military leaders:** “Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,” Matthew 20:26
10. **Our department of defence civilian leaders:** “Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their

food at the proper time? ⁴⁶It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns. ⁴⁷Truly I tell you; he will put him in charge of all his possessions.” Matthew 24:45-47

11. **Our serving military:** “The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation. He is my stronghold, my refuge, and my saviour— from violent people you save me. ⁴“I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and have been saved from my enemies.” 2 Samuel 22:2-4
12. **Our military on deployment:** “but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.” Isaiah 40:31
13. **Our military recruits:** “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” John 14:27
14. **Our military spouses:** “We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. ²¹In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. ²²May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you.” Psalm 33:20-22
15. **Our military families:** Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴Then you will win favour and a good name in the sight of God and man. ⁵Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight’.
“Proverbs 3:3-6
16. **Children of military families:** “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13
17. **Our military transitioning because of postings:** Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9
18. **Our injured military:** “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” Isaiah 41:10
19. **Our military who are homeless:** “³⁵If any of your fellow Israelites become poor and are unable to support themselves among you, help them as you would a foreigner and stranger, so they can continue to live among you. ³⁶Do not take interest or any profit from them, but fear your God, so that they may continue to live among you.” Leviticus 25:35-36
20. **Our retired military:** “Gray hair is a crown of splendor; it is attained in the way of righteousness.” Proverbs 16:31

21. **Our chaplains:** “Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” Philippians 4:8
22. **Our Christian military peers:** “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25
23. **Our MFRCs:** A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.” Proverbs 11:25
24. **Veteran support agencies:** For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;”. Psalm 91:11
25. **International Military Christian Fellowships:**” We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.” 1 John 1:3
26. **Men and women serving in international military:**” The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.” Psalm 18:2
27. **Ministers serving military communities:**” Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.” Hebrews 13:17
28. **Our mission as followers of Christ:** “But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,” 1 Peter 3:15
29. **Military Christian Fellowship of Canada:** “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves,” Philippians 2:3
30. **Military Christian Fellowship of Canada ministries:** “But be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.” 1 Samuel 12:24
31. **Military Christian Fellowship of Canada leadership:** “But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens.” Exodus 18:21