Local Churches. Local Chaplaincy.

Prayer Guide for Churches

Supporting compassionate care in local hospitals



Hospital Chaplaincy
AMOKAPUA HOHIPERA
AOTEAROA

Every day, hospital chaplains offer care, compassion and hope to patients, whānau and healthcare staff. Thank you for supporting this ministry in prayer.

Pray for Patients

- Peace in times of anxiety and fear.
- Comfort during treatment and recovery.
- Strength when facing difficult diagnoses.
- Hope when circumstances feel overwhelming.
- Wisdom as important decisions are made.

Pray for Whānau

- Comfort during times of uncertainty.
- Strength and resilience as they care for others.
- Unity when making difficult decisions.
- Opportunities to find support and encouragement.

Pray for Healthcare Staff

- Wisdom and compassion in their work.
- Strength during demanding periods.
- Wellbeing, resilience and encouragement.
- Positive and supportive workplace relationships.

Pray for Chaplains and Volunteers

- Compassion, wisdom and discernment.
- Opportunities to bring hope and encouragement.
- Strength when walking alongside people experiencing grief and loss.
- Ongoing spiritual, emotional and physical wellbeing.
- God's guidance in every conversation and encounter.

Pray for Hospital Chaplaincy Aotearoa

- Strong partnerships between hospitals, chaplains and local churches.
- Resources needed to sustain and strengthen chaplaincy services.
- Wisdom for leaders and boards.
- More people to experience care, compassion and hope through this ministry.

A Prayer

Loving God,

We thank you for the ministry of hospital chaplaincy and for the privilege of serving people during times of illness, uncertainty and vulnerability.

We pray for patients, whānau and healthcare staff in hospitals throughout Aotearoa New Zealand. Bring comfort to those who are afraid, strength to those who are weary, peace to those who are anxious, and hope to those who feel alone.

Bless chaplains and Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants as they listen, encourage, support and care for others. Grant them wisdom, compassion and resilience in their ministry.

May local churches continue to be a source of prayer, encouragement and practical support, helping ensure compassionate chaplaincy care remains available to all who need it.

Amen.