



The Shield
July 2018 edition
Praying for the Canadian Military Community



Join us throughout the month of July as we pray
for the following individuals and issues.

Leaders

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness”
(1 Timothy 2:1-2 NIV).

Political Leaders

- Prime Minister: *Rt Honourable J. Trudeau*
- Minister of Defence: *Lieutenant-Colonel The Honourable Harjit Singh Sajjan*

Military Leaders:

- Chief of Defence: General Jonathan Vance
- Canadian Forces Chief Warrant Officer: Chief Warrant Officer Kevin West
- Commander of Royal Canadian Navy: Vice-Admiral M.F.R. Lloyd
- Commander of the Royal Canadian Air Force: (new) Lieutenant-General A.D. Meinzinger
- Commander Canadian Army: (new) Lieutenant-General J.M. Lanthier
- Chaplain General: Major-General G. Chapdelain

Operations

“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)

- **Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA):** Canadian Military recently deployed a 12-person advance party to the region to prepare for the 250 Canadian Military who will provide medical evacuation and aerial support to the mission. This mission has its challenges and dangers and has been designated the UN’s most dangerous mission as 170 international peacekeepers have died in Mali since 2003.

Chaplains:

“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

- Our chaplains deploy wherever our military serve and face the same dangers, family separations, while bringing hope and compassion to those they serve alongside.

Military families

“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” 2 Samuel 22:2-3a.

- Families preparing for the deployment of their family members.
- Families dealing with the pressures and stresses associated with having a family member currently deployed.
- Families preparing for postings this summer.
- Families dealing with physical or mental health injuries.

Local Churches

“For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others”
Romans 12:4-5

- Churches that are located in areas where there is a military community presence that they would intentionally seek to understand the unique culture and needs of the military community and minister to them.

The MCF

“Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me” John 12:26

- President: Colonel (Retired) Gerry Potter
- Upcoming activities focused on prayer partners and The War Room.

