

ARISE and BUILD

29 January to 4 February 2022

Encouragement: Psalm 107: 35

He turns a wilderness into pools of water, and dry land into water-springs.

Let us pray for:

1. **Rain:** In Nelson Mandela Bay and surrounding areas; rain to fill our dams; for our people to conscientiously use water sparingly. **(Psalm 107:35)**
2. **The NMB SAPS; Security Services; and Correctional Services:** a huge decrease in crime, gang warfare & all violence and abuse; protection over our communities – especially in the Northern Areas; discernment, wisdom and godly guidance for our police so that they will be highly effective in their policing; for the community - Ward by Ward – to help the Police and Security Services by identifying unusual behaviour and reporting what appears to be criminal activity; peace & calm in the Bay and in our Correctional Facilities; protection over our SAPS; Security Officers & Prison Warders. **(Psalm 91)**
3. **The Nelson Mandela Bay Local Council** to work together in harmony for the good of the Metro; for God's blessing on our Executive Mayor; the Mayoral Committee; and all the Ward Councillors (Pr.10: 22); the Lord to grant our Executive Mayor and the councillors great wisdom to be able to direct the healthy growth of the NMB Metro and maintain peace in the area. The Father to reveal strategies and innovative ideas to our Executive Mayor and the NMB Councillors to stabilize and strengthen NMB; pray for *any new projects that have started or are about to begin e.g. maintenance of the dams; the emergency maintenance work on the waste water treatment plants and the sewerage pipelines; the establishment of public-private partnership with the Chamber of Commerce to assist the fast tracking of the emergency repair work to the sewerage bulk and other infrastructure;* to attract investment and to motivate economic advancement in NMB; and to give our Metro new vision and fresh hope!
(1 Tim. 2: 1-5; Isaiah 60: 10-11; 61: 7)
4. **The Church:** Praise God for the unity-of-purpose and unity-of-relationship in the NMB Church and among the Church Leaders: Pray for: these ties to grow stronger; our Congregational Leaders to embrace the Vision **(Nehemiah 2: 17)** and reach out to their Colleagues in every Ward; the continued success of the Ward Breakfasts – attended by the Councillors, Church and Business Leaders in each Ward; these Leaders to work together and encourage the communities in each Ward to cooperate in facilitating better Conditions and better Service Delivery in every Ward in the Bay; Congregations to seek to impact their Area/Ward with the Gospel and Good Works! **(Matthew 5: 13-16)**; every Congregation in the Bay to experience: a move of God in their midst; to see large numbers coming to salvation through the witness of their own people; many of their members growing & developing ministries; and for each one of their believers to experience a fresh anointing and a new enthusiasm to worship and serve God
(Isaiah 54: 2-4; 17)

Remember the promise: ... *pray to the Lord for the city because if it prospers, you will prosper.* **Jeremiah 29: 7**