

## PRAYER BRIEFING - JUNE 2024

*"I have no need of a bull from your stall or of goats from your pens, for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills." Psalm 50:9-10*

### Since our last prayer briefing

- More than 4,000 people attended Faith In Our Future events across Australia. 15 Federal politicians attended and heard powerful stories about the value of the Christian faith in our schools.
- Justice Rothman, who led the ALRC review, has said that schools need a 'positive right' to hire staff based on their ethos.
- Faith groups have prepared detailed legislative proposals for the Government that capture this positive right [link]. No response has been received from the Government.
- The Queensland Government introduced the *Respect at Work and Other Matters Amendment Bill* into Parliament which is a much more limited series of amendments than those proposed in the *Anti-Discrimination Bill 2024* and avoids many of the concerns that faith leaders raised.



### Give thanks to the Lord

- For greatly blessing the Faith In Our Future events. Thank Him for the politicians who attended, for the people who shared their stories, for the interest generated in the media, for growing momentum. For the beautiful unity of Christian schools and leaders working together (a prayer point in the last briefing).
- For answered prayers resulting in the Government not proceeding with the *Anti-Discrimination Bill 2024* in Queensland and the upcoming meeting with CSA/AACS/ACS and the QLD Attorney General Yvette D'ath.

### Ask the Lord

- That the federal Government would respond positively to the legislative proposals to provide Christian and other religious schools with a 'positive right' to hire staff according to their ethos.
- That the remaining concerning elements in the Queensland Government's [Respect at Work bill](#) would be improved through the Committee process and that further proposed amendments in the *Anti-Discrimination Bill 2024* will not proceed.