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## FCFI Prayer Guide - August 2017

- 1. Then they returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city, (Acts 1:12). A Sabbath day's walk was determined by the Pharisees, about ¾ of a mile. The Pharisees had taken God's rules and added to them to make themselves more important and to keep the common people under their control. We pray for insight from God's Word, not man's word. Clinton County Fair-Mackeyville, PA, Doc DeVoe, 7-29 thru 8-5... Minnesota Farmfest-Redwood County, MN, Doug Peterson.... West End Fair- Laurelton, PA, Doc DeVoe
- Do not repay anyone evil for evil, (Romans 12:17). This and the verses following summarize the core of Christian living. As we remember how much we have been forgiven we should want to pay that forward. We pray to be a living example of God's love. Montour-Delong Fair- Washingtonville, PA, Doc DeVoe, 7-31 thru 8-5
- 3. But we preach Christ crucified; a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, (1Corinthians 1:23). The Good News of Jesus Christ still sounds foolish to many. The world promotes

power, wealth and wisdom. Jesus is all that and more. We pray to remember no amount of money can save us and no power is greater than the Creator of power nor is there any greater wisdom than know Christ as our Savior and Lord. Please pray for Cindy and her husband and daughter as she is in last stages of cancer.

- 4. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God who raises the dead, (2Corinthians 1:9). Many hardships happened to Paul and the early missionaries, most are recorded in Acts. More than once they feared for their lives. They realized they could do nothing to help themselves, they simply had to rely on God. We pray to keep uppermost in our thoughts that we are in charge of nothing. We pray to turn everything over to our Creator God. Prayer of thanksgiving for Susie as she has promotion in the workforce... many prayers answered!
- 5. For God, who was at work in the ministry of Peter as an apostle to the Jews, was also at work in my ministry as an apostle to the Gentiles, (Galatians 2:8). Paul and Peter had different a, different ministries and worked in different directions but had the same Lord! We pray for all ministries that promote Jesus Christ as God's Son and Him alone as Savior. Please pray for those who work outside in this time of extreme heat!
- 6. So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, (Ephesians 3:17). God's love is total. We pray for family and friends who do not know Jesus as Lord and Savior. That they would come to a saving knowledge of Him. Please pray for Walter as he continues to heal from surgery.
- 7. Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the Gospel, (Philippians 1:12). Paul saw being in prison as one more opportunity to spread the Gospel. Many people today see hardships as an excuse to give up. We pray for a spirit of determination to demonstrate Christ as we face difficulties. Please pray for Mary. She has important decisions to make which will affect several people.

- two tribes of Joseph were afraid of the people in their inheritance. Joshua was encouraging them. We pray for courage to grab hold of our calling from God.
- 29. So, Delilah took new ropes and tied him with them, (Judges 16:12). Samson was deceived because he could not smother his burning lust and see Delilah for who she really was. We pray for eyes to see and ears to hear what God would have us see in others so we won't be deceived. 29-31 Farm Progress Show-Decatur, IL, Dennis Schlagel.
- 30. No then, stand still and see this great thing the Lord is about to do before your eyes, (1Samuel12:16). The dry season during the months of May and June seldom brought rain so a thunderstorm was a miracle. We pray to experience God's miracles in our lives every day and not just explain them away.8-30 thru 9-4 Wyoming County Fair-Meshoppen, PA, Doc DeVoe
- 31. You love those who hate you and hate those who love you, (2Samuel 19:6). David's son, Absalom, turned against him and in due time was killed in battle. David loved him and cried out in grief. The men who battled against Absalom's army felt humiliated because they had grieved David. We pray to keep and open heart and a clear mind even in our times of grief and to keep our eyes on the things of God. 8-30 thru 9-4 Sullivan County Fair-Forksville, PA, Doc DeVoe

## **Share Your Prayer Items with Others**

Continue to send in specific prayer requests either to the FCFI office or to Mary Jones (email: mdjones11@att.net) by the 13th or 14th of the month so they can be included in the Prayer Guide for the following month.

## **Urgent Prayer Requests**

Can be placed on the website prayer list page at any time, forward urgent, immediate attention prayer needs to Dennis Schlagel (email: fellowship@fcfi. org) at the FCFI office. FCFI – PO Box 15 – Lexington, IL 61753 FAX: (309) 365-7023 Phone: (309) 365-8710

- secret knowledge that gave them authority. The nature of God is beyond our understanding, but God, in His grace, has chosen to reveal Himself to us, in His Word and thru Jesus. We pray to seek our knowledge of God from His Word. We praise Him for giving us quidelines to direct our lives.
- 23. This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of the saints, (Revelation 14:10). The tough times we face right now are also opportunities for spiritual growth. We pray for endurance and faithfulness during these trying times. We pray to be the light...to walk the walk.
- 24. My master has withheld nothing from me except you, because you are his wife, (Genesis 39:9). Sexual sin is not just between two consenting adults. It is an act of disobedience against God. We pray to keep our bodies free and clear of sexual sin.
- 25. Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me, (Exodus 4:1). Moses was like us and looking for a way out of a difficult ministry. We pray to be open to God's direction in our lives.
- 26. Judge your neighbor fairly, (Leviticus 19:15). Do not show partiality by overlooking the wrongs of the rich or looking down on the poor. We pray to look at others through God's eyes and see that everyone has their own hurts.
- 27. But it was your own eyes that saw all these great things the Lord has done, (Deuteronomy 11:7). Israel had all the mighty works and miracles of God and it was still hard for them to believe. We have our own miracles that we have seen God work. But we also have His written Word. We pray to read and study our Bibles so we are prepared.
- 28. You can drive them out, (Joshua 17:18). God's command was for the Israelites to conquer the land of Canaan. They were to drive out or kill the inhabitants of each country as they took possession. The

- 8. I have become its (the Gospel) servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the Word of God in its fullness, (Colossians 1:25). God calls us to share the Good News of Jesus. We will be misunderstood, accused of false doctrine, and persecuted. That doesn't change our calling. We pray to be faithful in service of spreading the Gospel. And thankful for the opportunities. Please pray for Rocky. He has problems with his feet that make it difficult for him to walk and thus will affect his job capabilities.
- 9. We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the Gospel of God but our lives as well, (1 Thessalonians 2:8). Paul not only worked as a tentmaker so he wouldn't have to burden the new Believers financially, but he also loved them enough to share his live with them. We pray to understand that we do not do life alone. We pray for the right times to share our life experiences to encourage and/or teach others. Antioch Baptist Chruch Block Party- Williamsport, PA, Doc DeVoe.
- 10. They parish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved, (2Thessalonians 2:10). People are given opportunities to accept God's saving grace through His Son, Jesus. We choose to accept or reject. We pray for Salvation for all that will receive Him. We pray for the ministry of the walking sticks. May lives be touched, changed and saved, in Jesus name. Please pray for our church leaders that they will listen to the call of the Holy Spirit in making decisions.
- 11. These promote controversies rather than God's work...which is by faith, (1Timothy1:4). Some like to stir up pointless talk about theological arguments. Paul said to stay away from such. We pray for discernment so that we won't get sidetracked from the real message of the Gospel, Jesus Christ. Please pray for divine intervention in our country. Pray for the Holy Spirit to sweep through our land and bring revival to Believers and salvation to unbelievers.

- 12. Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness, (2Timothy 2:19). Paul urges Timothy to b the kind of person Christ could use for His noblest purposes. We pray to not settle for less than God's highest and best. That we will allow God to use us as an instrument of His will. Please pray for Linda and her family. Her husband died suddenly from a massive heart attack. Linda is Walter's younger sister.
- 13. You must teach what is in accord with sound doctrine, (Titus 2:1). Believers must be grounded in the truths of the Bible. Then, we won't be swayed by the next newest doctrine. We pray to read the Bible through year after year so we will know what we are talking about. Praise report! Bob, who was in a motorcycle accident is home and doing well...continue prayers for complete healing.
- 14. I am sending him, who is my very heart, back to you, (Philemon 12). Paul was sending Onesimus, a runaway slave back to his owner. He asked that the owner accept him back as a brother. We pray to be open to forgiveness of those who have hurt us.
- 15. But in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son, (Hebrews 1:2). Jesus is the fulfillment of God's revelation through the centuries. When we know Him as Savior and Lord We have all we need to be saved from our sin and be in relationship with God. We pray for ourselves as we come to know Christ as our personal Savior and for others as God works in their lives, for Salvation. 15-17 Dakotafest-Mitchell, SD, Martin Ellingson
- 16. If you keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right, (James 2:8). We must treat all people as we want to be treated. Don't ignore those who are wealthier or less wealthy. Either way, we are withholding love from those who need it. We pray to share God's love through His Son to all peoples.
- 17. For you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls, (1Peter 1:9). Faith is believing in something we haven't

- experienced yet, and have not seen yet. As we believe in our hearts that Jesus is God's Son, even though we haven't seen Him personally, and confess Him with our mouths, we receive salvation. Our faith in Jesus has brought us to our goal, Salvation. We pray for family and friends who need to step out on faith and claim Jesus as their Savior.
- 18. But there were false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, (2Peter 2:1). There have been false teachers from the beginning. There are even more today. We don't have to be on the internet long to realize this world has many strange and diverse thinking people, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We pray to remember we know the Way, the Truth, and the Life!!! 18-19 Sunbury River Festival-Sunbury, PA, Doc DeVoe
- 19. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, (1John 2:2). Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sin. He satisfies both God's requirement, death for our sin, and removes our sin. In Him, we are forgiven and purified. We pray to continually confess and turn from our wicked ways as we ask Christ to be our Savior and Lord.
- 20. I am not writing a new command, (2John 5). The command to love one another first appeared in Leviticus. We can show our love in many ways: avoiding prejudice, listening, helping, giving, serving. We pray to put God's command to love one another into practice as we go about our daily lives.
- 21. I have no greater joy than to hear my children are walking in the truth, (3 John 4). John was the spiritual father of many. He was glad to hear that those Believers were staying the straight course and believing what they had been taught. We pray to become spiritual mentors of many and to use our time to reach and teach.
- 22. Yet these men speak abusively against whatever they do not understand, (Jude 10). False teachers claimed they possessed