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FCFI Prayer Guide - January 2018

A new year, a new beginning. A fresh start. My prayer for you is that God will open the doors of your heart to see the field that is your Kingdom's work and that you will answer that call for your good and His glory!!! Happy New Year!!!

1. *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God", (John 1:1). John wrote this Gospel to build our faith and confidence in Jesus. **We pray to truly believe Jesus was and is God's Son. Please pray for God to open doors for places to witness with the walking sticks.***
2. *Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38). To follow Jesus means to repent (turn away) from sin and turn to Christ. We are baptized to identify with Christ. **We pray to live in God's mercy, guidance and purpose. Please pray for Carol's family. She passed away from cancer and her daughters are having a hard time adjusting.***

3. *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”* (Romans 6:23). Our salvation is a gift from God. We pray to live in thanksgiving and praise for Jesus. **Please pray for Rhonda. Her family is having to make the tough decision from assisted living to nursing home for her and she is resisting. She’s in her 60s**

4. *“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”* (1Corinthians 10:31). God’s love for should so fill us that our actions will be for His glory. **We pray to honor God through our actions. We are praying a prayer of Thanksgiving in the South for some much needed rain!!!**

5. *“Praise be to the God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.”* (2Corinthians 1:3). God does not comfort us to get us out of trouble. **We pray to use our pain through trials to comfort others as Christ has comforted us.**

6. *“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper we will reap harvest if we do not give up.”* (Galatians 6:9). We are often discouraged when we see no reward for our good deeds. **We pray to keep doing good and trust God for the results.**

7. *“But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.”* (Ephesians 2:4-5). Through Christ we no longer are under bondage to sin. **We pray to share the good news of God’s grace through Jesus Christ. 7-14 Pennsylvania Farm Show, Harrisburg, PA, Doc DeVoe**

8. *“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.”* (Colossians 4:2). Our persistence in prayer is an expression of our faith. **We pray to believe that God knows best and wait on His timing for answered prayers. Please pray for Susie. She is**

31. *“But Ruth replied, “Don’t urge me to leave you or turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God.”* (Ruth 1:16). Ruth was a Moabite but that didn’t stop her from worshiping the God of the Israelites nor Him accepting her love. **We pray to remember God loves all people and can use all people for His kingdom work. 31-2/2 Iowa Power Farming Show-Des Moines, IA: Paul VanDonselaar**

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 Schlager (email: fellowship@fci. org) at the FCFI office.
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25. *"In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed, in your strength you will guide them to your holy dwelling."* (Exodus 15:13). Moses and the Israelites sang to the Lord. **We pray our lives will be a joyful noise unto the Lord. 25-27 Sioux Falls Farm Show-Sioux Falls, SD: Martin Ellingson**
26. *"The Lord said to Moses, "'Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy.'"* (Leviticus 19:1). God had Moses to challenge the people of Israel. **We pray to reflect the holiness of God our creator. 26-29 Early Bird EXPO, Mifflinburg, PA, Wayne Laidacker**
27. *"The Lord bless you and keep you;"* (Numbers 6:24). A blessing is a way to ask God's divine favor to rest upon others. **We pray to be a blessing to God as we are a blessing to others through service. 26-28 Power Show Ohio, Columbus, OH, Gary Beery**
28. *"But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul."* (Deuteronomy 4:29). God is knowable and wants to be known. **We pray to seek God with all our hearts.**
29. *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."* (Joshua 1:19). God commissioned Joshua and told him three different times to not be afraid. **We pray to remember God's promise that He will never leave us nor forget us.**
30. *"The angel of the Lord went up from Gilgal to Bokim and said, "I brought you up out of Egypt and led you into the land that I swore to give to your forefathers. I said, "I will never break my covenant with you." (Judges 2:1). God had chosen the Israelites to be His people and made a covenant with them. **We pray to do our part by loving and obeying God.***

struggling with several health issues.

9. *"For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you,"* (1Thessalonians 1:4). Through the power of prayer, the Gospel message is greater than the simple words used. **We pray for the Holy Spirit to go before us as we proclaim the Gospel.**
10. *"But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one."* (2Thessalonians 3:3). The evil one roves to and fro trying to weaken our faith. **We pray to be strengthened and protected from his snares. 10-12 Keystone Farm Show-York, PA: Bill Brown. Please pray for Hannah as she starts college in a new state and town.**
11. *"The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus."* (1Timothy 1:14). We often feel our faith is inadequate and it shows in our actions. **We pray for our confidence to grow as our relationship with Christ grows. 11-12 Nebraska Farm Show-Norfolk, NE: Don Walmsely**
12. *"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,"* (2 Timothy 3:16). The Bible is not a collection of stories about God. It is not a human book. **We pray to be open to the teachings of the Holy Spirit as He teaches us about the character and person of who God is. 11-12 SC Agri Biz & Farm Expo-Florence, SC: Walter Powell**
13. *"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self- controlled upright and godly lives in this present age,"* (Titus 2:11-12). **There is power in the blood of Jesus. We pray to receive His power and lead a godly life even in this evil world. 13-14 KNID AgriFest-Enid, OK: Jerry Rice... Ag Expo-West Monroe, Louisiana: Jeff Goss**

14. *“Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.”* (Philemon 1:21). Paul knew Philemon, had led him to Christ and was confident he would do the right thing. **We pray for to be grateful for our spiritual mentors. 13-14 Pennsylvania Farm Show-Harrisburg, PA: Doc DeVoe**
15. *“Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.”* (Hebrews 12:14). Sin always blocks our vision of God and for God. **We pray to become more Christlike as we live in peace with those around us. Today is World Religion Day.**
16. *“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.”* (James 1:2). James does not say IF we have trials but WHEN. **We pray to turn our hardships into times of learning and then teaching. Please pray for our farmers as they make decisions for the coming year.**
17. *“Praise be to God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,”* (1 Peter 1:3). It is easy to become discouraged as we face day to day life. **We pray to remember our hope is in Christ Jesus and our future is secure. 17-19 Fort Wayne Farm Show-Fort Wayne, IN: Jeremy Stout**
18. *“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”* (2 Peter 3:9). We often want God to be in a hurry to punish someone we have a grievance with but slow to correct us. **We pray to spread the Gospel and let God do His work of grace.**
19. *“Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.”* (1 John 4:1). Every word spoken and written is not true. **We pray for wisdom to discern any word given to us. We pray to know God’s Word in such a way we will not be gullible.**
20. *“Anyone who runs ahead and does not continue in the teaching of Christ does not have God; whoever continues in the teaching has both the Father and the Son.”* (2 John 1:9). We must be diligent in doing God’s work and not our own. **We pray to listen to the leading of the Holy Spirit and not be weary in well doing.**
21. *“Dear friend, do not imitate what is evil but what is good.”* (3 John 1:11). Pride, jealousy, gossip and slander are rampant in our society. **We pray to live above such choices. Georgia Peanut Farm Show, Tifton, GA, Walter Powell**
22. *“Be merciful to those who doubt,”* (Jude 1:2). From time to time we all doubt. **We pray for a faith that will stand the test of time and trials. Georgia Peanut Farm Show-Tifton, GA: Walter Powell**
23. *“Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it because the time is near.”* (Revelation 1:3). We must be ready at any moment for the establishment of God’s eternal kingdom. **We pray to work diligently for the harvest is great.**
24. *“God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”* (Genesis 1:28). God was careful and precise when He created the world. **We pray to not be careless as we are caretakers of God’s creation. 24-26 Northwest Ag Show-Portland, OR: Betty Janzen**