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FCFI Prayer Guide - May 2018

May brings many reasons to rejoice and also to be humble before God. We salute Mothers and those who want to be mothers. We salute those who fought and died for our country. We salute our country's National Day of Prayer. Join me as we unite every day in prayer - MDJ

1. *The gatekeepers had been assigned to their positions of trust by David and Samuel, (1Chronicles 9:22).* Gatekeepers had to be reliable, honest, and trustworthy. We pray as Christians we live by these same qualities. **Please pray for the shoe campaign and consider donating.**
2. *Solomon gave orders to build a temple for the Name of the Lord and a royal palace for himself, (2Chronicles 2:1).* David had wanted to build a temple for God but because he was a warrior, God denied his request and told him Solomon would build it instead. David made preparations for the future temple. We pray we will be faithful in doing our part to make it easier for others to do theirs. **Please pray for Kevin and Ann Fleming as they prepare to head up their first show in June.**

3. *In the second month of the second year after their arrival at the house of God in Jerusalem, (the people) began the work, (Ezra 3:9). The captives returned to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple. We pray to be ever returning to do the work God has called us to do. **Please continue to pray for Norris and Donna as he still has many health issues.***
4. *All the royal officials at the king's gate knelt down and paid honor to Haman, for the king had commanded this concerning him. But Mordecai would not kneel down or pay him honor, (Esther 3:2). Haman was a descendant of the Amalekites, enemies of the Jews. Mordecai was not about to bow down to him. We pray to have faith to stand on our convictions even if we have to stand alone. **National Day of Prayer. Pray for our leaders and government.***
5. *I will say to God, do not condemn me, but tell me what charges you have against me, (Job 10:2). Job was tired and disillusioned, he began to wallow in self-pity. We pray to remember that life's trials can be a means to develop and refine us. **Chenango County Dairy Day, Norwich, NY, Bill Brown.... Spring Fling, Danville, PA, Doc DeVoe***
6. *I cry out to God Most High, to God, who fulfills His purpose for me, (Psalm 57:2). At times all of us, even David, struggle with our purpose in life. We pray to cry out to God rather than complain to man. **National Nurses Day. Pray for the nurses you know.***
7. *Wisdom calls aloud in the street, she raises her voice in the public squares, (Proverbs 1:20). Wisdom is the mind of God revealed. We pray for wisdom in all we do. **Please pray for those who are grieving.***
8. *And I saw that all labor and all achievement spring from man's envy of his neighbor. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind, (Ecclesiastes 4:4). Lazy or workaholic, both extremes are*
30. *What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin, how can we live in it any longer, (Romans 6:1-2). Because of forgiveness do we have the freedom to sin as much as we please? By no means! We pray to remember the seriousness of sin. **Please pray for our area leaders.***
31. *But each man has his own gift from God, (1Corinthians 7:7). Both marriage and singleness are gifts from God. We pray to accept our present situation as a gift for this present time. **Please pray for our leaders in county, state, national, and international positions.***

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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because they didn't know God's will. We pray to study God's Word and apply it to our lives. **Please pray for our Dairy Farmers**

25. *I tell you the truth: Among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist, yet he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he, (Matthew 11:11).* John fulfilled his God-given purpose, we who have known Christ and His finished work on the cross. We pray to remember the cross and our spiritual heritage. **Please pray for our farmers as they begin to put in their crops for the coming year.**
26. *The demons begged Jesus, send us among the pigs, allow us to go into them, (Mark 5:11).* This was in a Gentile region so pigs were used by Jesus to show His power. We pray to remember Jesus wants the best for us. **Please pray for the FCFI that this ministry will continue to reach many people with the Gospel**
27. *Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert, (Luke 4:1).* The Holy Spirit led Jesus into the desert for a long and difficult time of testing. We pray for God to strengthen us during our times of testing. **Please pray for our students as they are getting out of school for the summer.**
28. *Jesus looked at him and said, you are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas (which is translated Peter), (John 1:42).* Both Cephas, Aramaic and Peter, Greek, mean rock. We pray to know that Jesus has given us a new name as well. **Memorial Day. Please say a prayer of thanksgiving for those who served for our freedoms. Please remember freedom is not free!!!**
29. *Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, (Acts 2:14).* Peter's boldness came from the Holy Spirit. We pray to be continually filled with boldness to reach with the Gospel through the Holy Spirit. **Please pray for our President.**

foolish and irresponsible. We pray to realize it is God who gives out the assignments and rewards, not us. **Please pray and rejoice with those who are rejoicing!**

9. *I slept but my heart was awake, (Song of Songs 5:2).* Trouble and despair can keep us unsettled. We pray for peace within our marriages and other relationships. **Please pray for upcoming mission trips.**
10. *In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple, (Isaiah 6:1).* Isaiah's vision was his commission to be God's messenger to His people. We pray to remember God's greatness. **Please pray for those who are going through trials, spiritual, physical and financial.**
11. *Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. Before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations, (Jeremiah 1:5).* When we feel discouraged or inadequate we can remember that God has always thought of us as valuable and He has a purpose in mind for you. We pray for God's plan for our lives to be revealed. **Military Spouse Appreciation Day. Pray for rebuilding after the wildfires in OK.**
12. *The Lord is righteous, yet I rebelled against His command, (Lamentations 1:18).* Like Israel we sometimes rebel against God's guidelines. We pray for obedience. *Please say a prayer of thanksgiving for the beauty of the earth that shows up this time each year and reminds us of God's blessings.*
13. *This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. When I saw it, I fell facedown, and I heard the voice of one speaking, (Ezekiel 1:29).* When we really see God, we are in awe of His glory. We pray to be humble and open to see God's glory. **Mother's Day. Please pray for our mothers.**

14. *To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds, (Daniel 1:17).* Daniel and his friends learned their new culture but they remained steadfast in their allegiance to God. We pray to be teachable but to remember to Whom we belong. **Please pray for our missionaries all over the world.**
15. *In that day I will respond, declares the Lord. I will respond to the skies and they will respond to the earth, (Hosea 2:21).* God's wedding gift to His people, both in Hosea's day and in our own, is His compassion. We pray for compassion, Lord. Heal our hearts and our minds. **Please pray for those who will be leading Vacation Bible Schools next month and for the children they reach.**
16. *Mourn like a virgin in sackcloth grieving for the husband of her youth, (Joel 1:8).* Repentance comes after we grieve for our sins. We pray for a humble heart to keep our focus on God. **Confess our sins before the Lord, keep short accounts with Him, and pray for forgiveness.**
17. *Then the Lord said, Look I am setting a plumb line among my people Israel; I will spare them no longer, (Amos 7:7).* A plumb line assures the straightness of a wall. God's Word is our plumb line. We pray to use God's Word to help us be aware of our sin. **Please pray for our police officers and other first responders.**
18. *Though you soar like the eagle and make your nest among the stars, from there I will bring you down, declares the Lord, (Obadiah 4:4).* The Edomites were proud of their city carved right into the rock. They were thought to be invincible. **We pray to be a humble people.**
19. *He answered, I am a Hebrew and I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the land, (Jonah 1:9).* Jonah was running from God and caused the ship he was on to be in grave danger. We pray to seek God and follow His will for our lives. **Armed Forces Day... FCFI Golf Tournament, Woodgate Pines, Booneville, NY, Bill Brown...Watermelon Festival, Arcadia, FL, Bill Brown...Nescopeck Community Wide Yard Sale, Doc DeVoe**
20. *An attacker advances against you, Nineveh. Guard the fortress, watch the road, brace yourselves, marshal all your strength, (Nahum 1:15).* Just as Nineveh was under attack so are we from Satan's advances. We pray to be prepared by building our fortress with God's Word. **Pentecost-Pray that the Holy Spirit will work in you.**
21. *But I will leave within you the meek and humble, who trust in the name of the Lord, (Zephaniah 2:12).* God is opposed to the proud and haughty. We pray for a heart that trusts God. **Please pray for those places in Texas with drought conditions to get relief**
22. *Then Haggai said, So it is with this people and this nation in my sight, declares the Lord. Whatever they do and whatever they offer there is defiled, (Haggai 2:14).* Sin and selfish attitudes stain everything they touch. We pray for a constant cleansing from God. **Please pray for preparations for the FCFI 25th Annual Conference in Lexington, KY July 27-29.**
23. *Therefore, this is what the Lord says, I will return to Jerusalem with mercy and there my house will be rebuilt, (Zechariah 1:16).* God used pagan nations to punish Israel but He also showed mercy to His chosen nation. We pray for God's mercy and healing in our lives. **Please pray for God to raise up young people who fear Him and will follow His guidelines**
24. *For the lips of a priest ought to preserve knowledge, and from his mouth men should seek instruction, because he is the messenger of the Lord Almighty, (Malachi 2:7).* Malachi was angry at the priests