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FCFI Prayer Guide - April 2019

Spring time awakens in our spirits the beauty of God's world. His planning for us renews a hope for a better time ahead as the world wakes from its winter sleep. It is also the time we celebrate the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. My prayer for each of us is that in this time of great celebration, which runs parallel with great chaos, we choose to be used by God to spread His message of hope, healing and Salvation. Prayer requests can be emailed to mdjones11@att.net. Blessings Mary D Jones

- 1. Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent, (Revelation 3:19). God's purpose for discipline is to bring people back to Him. We pray to have a repentant heart. April Fool's Day. Please continue to pray for Phil...his healing is ongoing and he is praising God...still has a way to go.
- 2. Everything that lives and moves will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything, (Genesis 9:3). God's instructions to Noah. We pray to know God's Word. **Please pray for Wayne...his cancer has returned after several years.**



- Moses reported this to the Israelites, but they did not listen to him because of their discouragement and cruel bondage, (Exodus 6:9). Sometimes between a clear call from God and the situation changing we get discouraged. We pray to focus on God rather on the results to be achieved. 3-5 Nebraska FFA, Lincoln, NE, Jeff Goss. Please continue to pray for Nebraska as the result of flooding.
- 4. Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, because this is how the nations that I am going to drive out before you became defiled, (Leviticus 18:24). God gave Moses a list of decrees and laws for the Israelites to obey. Society today takes some of these practices lightly. We pray to see sin as God sees it. 4-6 Oklahoma City Farm Show, Oklahoma City, OK, Tony DeGiusti
- 5. If anyone with malice aforethought shoves another or throws something at him intentionally so that he dies or if in hostility he hit him with his fist so that he dies, that person shall be put to death, he is a murderer, (Numbers 35:20). God did not want people unjustly condemned and made provision for them. However, He does take murder seriously. We pray to not overlook a wrongdoing but also to not jump to conclusions about guilt. Please pray for Kay. She has renal cancer and possibly in her lung also.
- 6. For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. Out of all the peoples on the face of the earth, the Lord has chosen you to be His treasured possession, (Deuteronomy 14:2). God continually reminded the Israelites that He loved them by giving them rules and boundaries. We pray to remember that God loves us soooo much He wants to protect us. **Please pray for Lynn that she will get and accept the emotional help she needs.**
- 7. Our lives for your lives, the men assured her. If you don't tell what we are doing, we will treat you kindly and faithfully when the Lord gives us the land, (Joshua 2:14). Rahab hid the two spies and they promised to reward her when they came back to conquer Jericho. We pray to be faithful to God's faithful. **Please pray for Megan, a young woman who has lost all hope.**

pray to be a witness as God leads us to those who don't know Him. Please pray God will open doors for the FCFI and grow leaders.

- 29. The Israelites are stubborn, like a stubborn heifer. How then can the Lord pasture them like lambs in a meadow? (Hosea 4:16). God was judging Israel for their unfaithfulness. We pray to not be a stiff-necked people but people God can call His chosen. Please pray for all the women considering abortion to make the decision to keep their babies.
- 30. The Lord will reply to them, I'm sending you grain, new wine and oil, enough to satisfy you fully. Never again will I make you an object of scorn to the nations, (Joel 2:19). God's punishment of Israel was over. We pray to be rejoicing in our time of forgiveness. 30-5/1 Oklahoma City FFA Oklahoma City, OK, Jeff Goss

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

- 23. Many waters cannot quench love, rivers cannot wash it away. If one were to give all the wealth of his house for love, it would be utterly scorned, (Song of Solomon). Love cannot be killed by time nor disaster. We pray to use our love as God's gift and a reflection of His love. **Please pray for all the** young people who will be celebrating Spring Break!!!
- 24. He will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge, the fear of the Lord is the key to this treasure, (Isaiah 33:6). With God as our foundation our lives will be a rich storehouse of goodness. We pray to fear (reverence) the Lord. Please pray for family members who don't know Jesus as Savior.
- 25. Therefore, say to them "This is the nation that has not obeyed the Lord its God or responded to correction. Truth has perished, it has vanished from their lips", (Jeremiah 7:28). The Lord has always sent prophets to speak against the stubborn hearts of His people. We pray to not be a stiffnecked people who won't listen to God. **25-27, Georgia FFA, Macon Centreplex, Mike Weaver**
- 26. I say to myself the Lord is my portion therefore, I will wait for Him, (Lamentations 3:24). Trusting in God's faithfulness day by day makes us confident in His great promises for the future. We pray to claim this Scripture in times of waiting. Missouri FFA, Columbia, MO, Jeff Goss. Please pray that families will not keep their little ones from hearing the story of the beads and then the plan of salvation.
- 27. This is what the Sovereign Lord says: This is Jerusalem, which I have set in the center of the nations, with countries all around her, (Ezekiel 5:5). God's chosen people living in God's chosen country. We pray to honor God's chosen people. Bloomsburg Renaissance Jamboree, Bloomsburg, PA, Wayne Laidacker
- 28. The king (Nebuchadnezzar) said to Daniel, surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery, (Daniel 2:47). God used this dream for Daniel to be a witness. We

- 8. After that whole generation had been gathered to their fathers, another generation grew up who knew neither the Lord nor what He had done for Israel, (Judges 2:10). Joshua, son of Nun, was the last of the people who were freed from Egypt. We pray to be diligent to understand we are only one generation away from no one knowing Jesus as Lord and Savior. **Please pray for those who are struggling with forgiveness.**
- 9. I will do whatever you say, Ruth answered. So, she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her motherin-law told her to do, (Ruth 3:5). Naomi was older and wiser and knew Jewish laws so she wanted to help Ruth. We pray to know God's Word and be available to help those in need of wisdom. Please pray for the family of Walter Howell, he passed away suddenly.
- 10. So, the Philistines were subdued and did not invade Israelite territory again. Throughout Samuel's lifetime, the hand of the Lord was against the Philistines, (1Samuel 7:13). The Israelites were rescued from persecution of the Philistines and they set up a memorial stone. We pray to remember the crucial turning points in our lives where God gave us victory over our enemies. **10-12 Great Bend Farm & Ranch EXPO, Great Bend, KS, Jeff Goss**
- The king (King David) commanded Joab, Avishai and Attai, Be gentle to the young man Absalom for my sake, (2Samuel 18:5). Absalom had led a rebellion against his father, King David. The troops were going to capture him. David still had love in his heart for his son. We pray to love others, even those that are against us. Please pray for Allison that she will soon feel better
- 12. When the queen of Sheba heard about the fame of Solomon and his relation to the name of the Lord, she came to test him with hard questions, (1Kings 10:1). The Queen of Sheba was not trying to trick Solomon, she was trying to gain knowledge from his wisdom. She was overwhelmed with all she saw and heard. We pray to have the spiritual wisdom to share with others who are asking hard questions. **12-14 FCF Canada**

Annual Meeting, Dalkeith, ON, Canada, Bill Brown. 12-14 Iowa FFA, Ames IA, Jeff Goss

- 13. So, one of the priests who had been exiled from Samaria came to live in Bethel and taught them how to worship the Lord, (2Kings 17:28). While Israel was exiled other peoples came to inhabit the land. They knew nothing about worshipping God and asked their king to send them someone to help them know about God. We pray to give up everything but the worship of the one and only God our creator. **Heritage Days, Dothan, AL. Please pray for Andy.**
- 14. Their fellow Levites were assigned to all the other duties of the tabernacle, the house of God, (1Chronicles 6:48). God gave specific detail as to whom was supposed to take care of the tabernacle. We pray to find our place of service to God as we listen to His leading. **Please pray for those traveling on mission trips this summer.**
- 15. The Lord has kept the promise He made. I have succeeded David my father and now I sit on the throne of Israel, just as the Lord promised, and I have built the temple for the Name of the Lord, the God of Israel, (2 Chronicles 6:10). Solomon did as God had commanded him and he dedicated the temple to God. We pray to dedicate our labor to the Lord, whether washing dishes or building churches. **Please pray** for weather our farmers need to put the crop in.
- 16. On the first day of the seventh month they began to offer burnt offerings to the Lord, though the foundation of the Lord's temple had not yet been laid, (Ezra 3:6). The Israelites had returned to their land and were re-building their towns. They came together and decided to re-build the temple but did not wait until it was finished to be faithful in God's written Law. We pray to obey even when all is not going the way we envisioned for our lives. Please pray for allergy sufferers...it is so bad in the South already.
- 17. So, the wall was completed on the twenty-fifth of Elul, in *fifty-two days*, (Nehemiah 6:15). With God's supernatural inspiration the wall around Jerusalem was built in short order.

This in spite of the peoples around them trying to stop the work. Even Israel's enemies knew this was from God. We pray to live our lives in such a way that God will get the glory. Please pray for those who are in charge of businesses and co-operations. Please pray for wisdom and freedom of stress.

- 18. And Esther won the favor of everyone who saw her, (Esther 2:15). Esther was naturally beautiful to the eyes but also inwardly beautiful in her heart. We pray to send out God's beauty to the world around us. Please pray for Christians who are being tortured and murdered by Muslims.
- 19. Teach me and I will be quiet, show me where I have been wrong, (Job 6:24). Job wanted to give up to be freed from his pain and suffering. But God had a greater plan for him. We pray, even in our pain of body and spirit to listen to God's instruction and know His way is best. Good Friday Please pray Easter will be a time of people coming to know Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior!
- 20. I will lie down and sleep in peace, for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety, (Psalm 4:8). Our peace comes from turning our lives over to God. We pray to surrender those things which rob our peace. Please pray for all of those seeking for answers for their lives to know Jesus is the way the truth and the life for everyone.
- 21. For the Lord gives wisdom and from His mouth comes knowledge and understanding, (Proverbs 2:6). God-given wisdom comes from God's Word. We pray to diligently search Scripture for wisdom beyond our years.

He is risen!!!!! Easter Sunday

22. Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken, (Ecclesiastes 4:12). Life is designed for companionship and not isolation. We pray to join ourselves in service to those in need. **22-24 Arkansas FFA, Hot Springs AK, Jeff Goss**