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FCFI Prayer Guide - January 2021

- The hand of the Lord was upon me there, and He said to me, Get up and go out to the plain, and there I will speak to you. So, I got up and went out to the plain. The glory of the Lord was standing there, like the glory I had seen by the Kebar River, and I fell facedown, (Ezekiel 3 22,23). When we truly let the glory of God shine through us it is a very humbling experience. We pray to be so in tune with God that His glory shines in us. Please pray for Terry, who has had thyroid surgery.
- Whoever does not fall down, and worship (King Nebuchadnezzar) will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace, (Daniel 3:6). The king had issued a decree, but Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego did not fall down and worship the king. We pray to be people who bow only to God's will for our lives. Please pray for Bill - a long time FCFI worker - who has COVID and pneumonia.
- The more the priests increased, the more they sinned against Me, they exchange their Glory for something disgraceful, (Hosea 4:7). The spiritual leaders were supposed to be holy, but they had become leaders in wrongdoing. We pray to be Godly spiritual leaders in our realm. Please pray for Pastors, many of whom have COVID and pray for protection for others.
- Put on sackcloth, O priests, and mourn, wail, you who minister before the altar. Come, spend the night in sackcloth, you who

minister before my God, for the grain offerings and drink offerings are withheld from the house of you God, (Joel 1:13). Because of the devastation there was no flour or wine for the offerings. Priests were urged to put on sackcloth, a sign of mourning and repentance. We pray to mourn over things that we know displease God. Please pray for Steve in his life transitions and his struggling marriage.

- 5. I destroyed the Amorite before them, though he was tall as the cedars and strong as the oaks, I destroyed his fruit above and his roots below, (Amos 2:9). The prophets were constantly challenging people to remember what God had done for them...of His power and might and love. We pray to remember how God has brought us to today and have faith He will take us into our future. 5-7 Keystone Farm Show York, PA, Michael Steele
- 6. The day of the Lord is near, for all nations. As you have done, it will be done to you, your deeds will return upon your own head, (Obadiah15). Because of Edom's past sins against their blood kin, God had not promised them mercy. We pray to support God's people, Israel and all our brothers and sisters in Christ. Please pray for Brenda, with high blood pressure, she is on 4 medications and it is still high.
- 7. He (Jonah) prayed to the Lord, O Lord, is this not what I said when I was still at home? That is why I was so quick to flee to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity, (Jonah 4:2). Jonah was not a happy camper that all of Babylon had repented. We pray to be happy of salvation from even those who we think do not deserve God's mercy and grace. Please pray with Keith for an end to COVID 19.
- 8. They covet fields and seize them, and houses, and take them. They defraud a man of his home a fellowman of his inheritance, (Micah 2:2). Just as in today's time, there were people who wanted something for nothing. We pray to remember all punishment from God is to bring us back to Him. 8-9 KNID Agrifest, Enid, OK, Jerry Rice

- 29. Since and overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless, not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain, (Titus 1:7) Overseer can mean bishop or deacon. A person's lifestyle and relationships provide a window into his or her character. We pray to be a people who lives out God's Word and be an example to others. Please pray for our missionaries both at home and abroad.
- 30. Therefore He (Jesus) is able to save completely those who come to God through Him, because He always lives to intercede for them, (Hebrews 7:25). Christ is our advocate and mediator between us and God. This wonderful assurance frees us from the fear of failure. We pray with thanksgiving we have a High Priest who mediates for us in heaven. 30-2/5 ECHO, Ft Meyers, FL, Ron and Deb Herrold
- 31. With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness, (James 3:9). God works to change us from inside to out. The Holy Spirit purifies our hearts, our tongues reflect that change in us. We pray to use words that are pleasing to God. Please pray for Reverend Stanley as he is in the process of being ordained as a United Methodist Deacon.

Please send your prayer requests to Mary Jones at mdjones11@att.net

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, Text: 229-339-0126) 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.

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works, which God prepared in advance for us to do, (Ephesians 2:10). Our salvation is something only God can do, as we submit to Him. We, in turn are so grateful we want to serve Him as he has called and equipped us. We pray to do our service because of our faith...not in place of it. Please pray for those who are in need of a job.

- 25. Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near, (Philippians 4:5). Gentleness and meekness manifested in our lives is a sign Christ is in our hearts. We pray to let the joy of the Lord have control over our thoughts and actions. Please pray for our children and keep them safe from sex trafficking.
- 26. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us, He took it away, nailing it to the cross, (Colossians 2:13,14). As we become Believers, we understand God has crucified the old rebellious nature and replace it with a new loving nature. We pray to know we are no longer slaves to sin but are free to live for Christ. Please pray for our babies that were born struggling and need a healing touch from God.
- 27. On the contrary, we speak as men approved by God to be entrusted with the Gospel. We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts, (1Thessalonians 2:4). Never changed his message to make it more acceptable, but he did tailor his methods to each audience. We pray for discernment in spreading the Gospel with each person or group we are with. 27-29 Sioux Falls Farm Show, Sioux Falls, SD, Jeff Goss
- 28. May our Lord Jesus Christ, Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word, (2 Thessalonians 2:16,17). Paul knew the Thessalonians would face pressure and persecutions and wanted to encourage them to not let their faith waiver. We pray to be thankful for all of God's goodness and to encourage other when they are downcast and discouraged. 28-31 Early Bird EXPO, Bloomsburg, PA, Doc DeVoe

- 9. The shields of his soldiers are red, the warriors are clad in scarlet. The metal on the chariots flashes on the day they are made ready, the spears of pine are brandished, (Nahum 2:3). Getting ready for war and being in war are two different things. We pray to keep our whole armor of God on so we will not be surprised with an attack from the devil. 9-16 Pennsylvania Farm Show, Harrisburg, PA, Doc Devoe
- 10. I heard and my heart pounded, my lips quivered at the sound, decay crept into my bones, and my legs trembled. Yet, I will wait patiently for the day of calamity to come on the nation invading us, (Habakkuk 3:16). Pain sorrow and suffering come to all of us, yet, if we wait upon the Lord, He will be our shield and protector. We pray to keep our eyes on Jesus and not the problem. Please pray for the opening of more events to share the story of the beads.
- 11. Then I will purify the lips of the peoples that all of them may call on the name of the Lord and serve Him shoulder to shoulder, (Zephaniah 3:9). God will purify lips and unify languages so that all His people from all nations will be able to worship Him in unison. We pray for our hearts to be purified and then the words coming from our lips will be pure as well. Pray that we do not take the easy road, rather follow diligently the pathway the Lord has selected for us. Also pray the Prayer Guide will reach those in need of prayer and encouragement.
- 12. The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house, says the Lord Almighty. And in this place, I will grant peace declares the Lord Almighty, (Haggai 2:9). Haggai went from speaking of the Temple being rebuilt to the coming Messiah. We pray to know that Jesus is the glory of our Salvation. Please pray for Amy, Keili, Michael, Brenda, Mary Dale, Jonathan...all struggling with COVID.
- 13. Then the Word of the Lord came to me, The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this temple, his hands will also complete it. Then you will know that the Lord Almighty has sent me to you, (Zechariah 4:8). Begin where you are and do what you can and leave the results up to God. We pray to be the hands and feet of God. 13-14 Nebraska Farm Show, Norfolk, NE, Don Walmsely

- 14. My name will be great among the nations, from the rising to the setting of the sun. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to my name because my name will be great among the nations, says the Lord Almighty, (Malachi 1:11). Christians are now God's chosen people. Our pure offering to the Lord is our new life in Christ. We pray to be available to God to be used in making His name great to the nations. 13-15 Virginia Farm Show, Fisherville, VA Bill Brown
- 15. Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, with the measure you use, it will be measured to you, (Matthew 7:1). Yes, we are to hold each other accountable...but not judge. Confront to restore and no more. We pray to lift others out of the mire and not throw them in. Please pray for Charles and his wife with their health issues.
- 16. He said to them, Do you bring in a lamp and put it under a bowl or a bed? Instead, don't you put it on its stand, (Mark 4:21). Our lights should shine and light the path of others to Jesus. We pray not to let resentment, anger, bitterness and other things keep our lights from shinning. 16-21 Florida Manatee Festival, Crystal River, FL, Bill Brown
- 17. Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him. So, He went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table, (Luke 7:36). Jesus rebuked the Pharisees on many occasions, but He also knew this man was seeking answers to questions he could not ask. We pray to constantly be in the presence of Jesus even if we don't understand everything clearly in the moment. Delta Ag EXPO, Cleveland, MS, Jeff Goss
- 18. You (NicOdemus) should not be surprised at My saying, You must be born again, (John 3:7). Nicodemus knew the Old Testament but did not understand what it said about the Messiah. Knowledge is not Salvation. We pray to know the Bible that God reveals and to accept Salvation that Jesus offers. Please pray for Gray and his family.
- 19. You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers. You always resist the Holy Spirit, (Acts

- 7:51). Stephen was speaking to the Sanhedrin. He jumped from giving them a history lesson to their present. He used the same words God had used to their forefathers. We pray to not only listen but to received God's Word in our hearts. Please pray for our health care workers...for protection and alertness and compassion as they are stressed beyond belief.
- 20. A man is not a Jew if he is only one outwardly, nor is circumcision merely outward and physical, (Romans 2:28). Circumcision was required as a Jewish male, but that is not what made him a Jew. Things of the heart is what makes us who we are. We pray to have a heart filled with the love of Jesus. Please pray for our country and as a nation we will honor God.
- 21. Everything is permissible for me, but not everything is beneficial. Everything is permissible for me, but I will not be mastered by anything, (1Corinthians 1:12). Some actions are not sinful in themselves, but they are not appropriate because they can control our lives and lead us away from God. We pray to use discernment in making our decisions. Please pray for funds for FCFI so the Good News of Salvation can be shared.
- 22. But God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus, and not only by his coming but also by the comfort you had given him He told us about your longing for me, your deep sorrow, your ardent concern for me, so that my joy was greater than ever, (2Corinthians 7:6). Paul had overcome many hardships and had others to come. He got the encouragement from Titus to carry on. We pray to be encouragers. Please pray with Ben for our teachers and students in this time of uncertainty that we will soon have in person learning.
- 23. For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God, (Galatians 2:19). Paul realized he could not be saved by obeying God's laws. Fortunately, God has provided a way of salvation that depends on Jesus Christ not on our own efforts. We pray to not use service and good deeds as a substitute for our faith. Please pray with John that 2021 will be a better year.
- 24. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good