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FCFI Prayer Guide - February 2022

1. *And the Lord was gracious to Hannah, she conceived and gave birth to three sons and two daughters. Meanwhile, the boy Samuel up in the presence of the Lord, (1Samuel 1:21).* Hannah prayed for a son, which she gave to the Lord, and had 6 children. We pray to pray without ceasing. 1-3, Iowa Ag Expo, Des Moines, IA, Paul VanDonselaar. Please pray for the Steve Cernek (FCFI Board President) family. They recently lost their 42 year old daughter to cardiac arrest.
2. *The king (David) and his men marched to Jerusalem to attack the Jebusites, who lived there. The Jebusites said to David, You will not get in here, even the blind and the lame can ward you off. They thought, David cannot get in here. Nevertheless, David captured the fortress of Zion, the City of David, (2Samuel 5:6,7).* David had been made king of all of Israel, many years after being anointed as a young man by Samuel for God. Jerusalem was the city he chose to be the place he would reign. Years of uncertainty dogged David, his only security was that God had anointed him king of Israel and so he stood on that. We pray to stand on God's promises in our lives. 1-3, Vermont Farm Show, Essex Junction; Please pray for the Gerst family as the wife and mother has recently been diagnosed with cancer on multiple sites.

3. *Even after this, (death of a prophet) Jeroboam did not change his evil ways, but once more appointed priests for the high places from all sorts of people. Anyone who wanted to become a priest he consecrated for the high places. This was the sin of the house of Jeroboam that led to its downfall and to its destruction from the face of the earth, (1Kings 13 :33,34). Only Levites were supposed to be priests...Jeroboam's disobedience was the downfall of true religion in the Northern Kingdom. We pray to follow God's guidelines in our lives. **Please pray for Pete and Sandy Singer and their financial needs to be able to purchase a vehicle to pull their trailer for FCF shows.***
4. *When Elisha reached the house, there was the boy lying dead on his couch. Elisha went in, shut the door on the two of them and prayed to the Lord, (2Kings 4:32,33). The Shunammite woman had asked Elisha to come heal her child...Oh, the faith of this woman. The boy was healed. We pray to have faith like the Shunammite woman. **Please pray for Big Tom's Family Farm, that they may be able to find a farmstead to raise their own family and that they have a safe delivery of their baby boy in March.***
5. *They, (the Israelites) waged war against the Hagrites, Jetur, Naphish and Nodab. They were helped in fighting them, and God handed the Hagrites and all their allies over to them, because they cried out to Him during the battle. He answered their prayers because they trusted him, (1Chronicles 5:19,20). Although they had the skills and instinct for battle, they knew their source of help came from God. **Please pray for all people involved in the tornadoes in Kentucky...especially the farmers.***
6. *Joash was seven years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem forty years. His mother's name was Zibiah, she was from Beersheba. Joash did what was right in the eyes of the Lord all the years of Jehoiada the priest, (2 Chronicles 24:1-2). We pray to do what is right in the eyes of the Lord. **Please pray for Michael and his family. That his children will be drawn to Jesus and they embrace Him fully. Pray that he and Donna will also grow in their faith in 2022.***
26. *On that day you will not be put to shame for all the wrongs you have done to Me, because I will remove from this city those who rejoice in their pride. Never again will you be haughty on My holy hill. But I will leave within you the meek, and humble, who trust in the name of the Lord, (Zephaniah 3:11-12). Self-reliance and arrogance have no place among God's people or in His kingdom. We pray to be a people who humbly trust in the name of the Lord God Almighty. **25-26 Mid-South Farm and Gin Show, Memphis, TN, Jeff Goss***
27. *When I called, they did not listen, so when they called, I would not listen, says the Lord Almighty, (Zechariah 7:13). Ignoring or refusing God's warning hardens us each time we do wrong... submission softens our hearts. We pray to read God's Word and apply it to our lives. **26-27 Swamp Cabbage Festival, LaBelle, FL, Bill Brown.***
28. *I, the Lord, do not change. So, you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. Ever since the time of your forefathers you have turned away from My decrees and have not kept them. Return to Me and I will return to you, says the Lord Almighty, (Malachi 3:6-7). We insult God when we imply that we do not sin. We pray to be a people who continually turn our eyes toward Jesus. **Please pray for Marjorie. She has serious heart related issues. Her husband Bill is a FCFI Board Member from OH.***

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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The nations of Israel and Edom came from brothers. Edom was callous and malicious in their actions towards Israel...God's chosen people. God pronounced judgement against them. We pray to be a people who build up our fellow Christians. **Please pray for the Nelda Jones family. She passed away after a battle with Covid...she had several underlying conditions.**

22. *Then he (king of Nineveh) issued a proclamation in Nineveh: By the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let any man or beast, herd or flock, taste anything, do not let them eat or drink, (Jonah 3:7).* Jonah proclaimed God's judgement on Nineveh and the king repented and ordered the city to repent as well. We pray to simply tell others about God. We too, may be surprised by how many will listen. **Please pray for our farmers as they begin the process of preparing for this year's crops. Everything they need to be able to put in a crop has doubled and tripled in price.**
23. *Her (Israel) leaders judge for a bribe, her priests teach for a price, and her prophets tell fortunes for money. Yet, they lean upon the Lord and say, Is not the Lord among us? No disaster will come upon us, (Micah 3:11).* Judah was finally destroyed because of the behavior of its religious leaders and other leaders. We pray to not expect special favors from others because of what we can give...bribery. **Please pray for Isabella as she continues to heal from recent surgery.**
24. *She (Nineveh) is pillaged, plundered, stripped! Hearts melt, knees give way, Bodies tremble, every face grows pale, (Nahum 2:10).* Nineveh was thought too powerful and too large to fall, much like America today, she was ruined from within. We pray to stand firm in our beliefs...though many are being very foolish. **24-26 New York Farm Show, Syracuse NY, Bill Brown.**
25. *Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior, (Habakkuk 3:17-18).* When nothing makes sense and troubles are more than you can bear, remember that God gives strength and wisdom. We pray to keep our focus during difficult times. **25-27 Western Farm Show, Kansas City, MO, Jeff Goss**
7. *This was the answer they gave us: We are the servants of the God of heaven and earth, and we are rebuilding the temple that was built many years ago, one that a great king of Israel built and finished, (Ezra 5:11).* The way to deal with pressure and intimidation is to recognize we are workers for God and speak up for our faith in God. We pray to speak up and out in a Godly manner. **Please pray for C Jakubiec for healing from health problems. Please pray for his daughters...one has cancer and one has traumatic brain injury.**
8. *Now, the city (Jerusalem) was large and spacious, but there were few people in it, and the houses had not yet been rebuilt. So, my God put it in my heart to assemble the nobles, the officials and the common people for registration by families. I found the genealogical record of those who had been the first to return. This is what I found written there, (Nehemiah 7:4,5).* The list of the exiles who returned to Jerusalem was written and stored in the Temple. With no electronic ways to save information, the scrolls were a great way to preserve history. We pray to be safekeepers of God's Holy Word. **Please pray for salvation for Matthew.**
9. *King Xerxes imposed tribute throughout the empire, to its distant shores. And all his acts of power and might, together with a full account of the greatness of Mordecai, (Esther 10:1,2).* Esther and Mordecai had prevailed to protect the Jews, with Mordecai being the second in command under the king. We pray to use our faith to accomplish great things in Christ. **Please pray that L Wall will be able to care for elderly parents and keep them out of the nursing home.**
10. *I loathe my very life; therefore, I will give free rein to my complaint and speak out in the bitterness of my soul, (Job 10:1).* Job's friends condemned him for his loss and he said yeah, I hate the whole thing too!!! We pray to grieve with our friends and not try to "fix" them!!! **Please pray with D Manahan for salvation for all grandkids.**
11. *Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and whose spirit is no deceit, (Psalm 32:1-2).* The joy of

forgiveness is overwhelming!!! We pray to forgive as we Christians have been forgiven through the blood of Jesus. **Please pray with Kristine for health issues and family challenges.**

12. *An offended brother is more unyielding than a fortified city, and disputes are like the barred gates of a citadel, (Proverbs 18:19).* The offended person must be willing to accept the forgiveness of the offender or become angry and bitter. We pray to ask for forgiveness and to accept it when offered. **Please pray with Robert for farmers...especially in and around Salina, KS.**
13. *Then I realized that it is good and proper for a man to eat and drink, and to find satisfaction in his toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given him...for this is his lot, (Ecclesiastes 5:18).* We can be content with what we have when we realize that, with God, we have everything we need. We pray to be joyful in life. **13-19 Disaster Relief Trip, Port Allen, LA**
14. *Learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow, (Isaiah 1:17).* As Christians we are to be helpers of the less fortunate. We pray to encourage, defend and plead for those in need. **Pray that we would love others through the power of the Holy Spirit. Happy Valentine's Day!**
15. *My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken Me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water, (Jeremiah 2:13).* God has promised to constantly refresh us with Himself, yet, we choose money, power, sex, and other addictions over Him. We pray to not put other things in God's place in our lives. **Please pray for Clift and Joyce's daughter who has been diagnosed with cancer.**
16. *After affliction and harsh labor, Judah has gone into exile. She dwells among the nations; she finds no resting place. All who pursue her have overtaken her in the midst of her distress, (Lamentations 1:3).* Jeremiah mourns for Jerusalem. The people had turned from God to others to help them...those very people became their enemies. We pray to seek wisdom and guidance from God. **16-19 National Farm Machinery Show, Louisville, KY, Jeff Goss**
17. *While they were killing (at Gods command) and I (Ezekiel) was left alone, I fell facedown, crying out, O, Sovereign Lord! Are You going to destroy the entire remnant of Israel in this outpouring of Your wrath on Jerusalem, (Ezekiel 9:8).* God had commanded a purging of the rebellious people, sparing none, except those with a mark given by God. We pray to be found faithful. **Please pray for Joyce. She has a very painful condition.**
18. *Arioch took Daniel to the king at once and said, I have found a man among the exiles from Judah who can tell the king what his dream means, (Daniel 2:25).* When Daniel learned that he and all the wise men of Babylon were going to be executed, he asked for time to interpret the king's dream. God showed him during the night the answer and he was taken to the king where he got to testify about God. We pray to use our wisdom to help not only ourselves but also others. **Pray for the Prayer Gathering at the Freedom Hall at the Nat'l Farm Machinery Show, that many would attend, be encouraged, and come to salvation in the Lord.**
19. *Let us acknowledge the Lord, let us press on to acknowledge Him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear, He will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth, (Hosea 6: 3).* Israel was not in true repentance... they wanted the blessings without the obedience. We pray to be obedient. **Please continue to pray for Bill Brown that his treatments are successful in freeing him from cancer. 19-26 National FFA Week**
20. *Like dawn spreading across the mountains a large and mighty army comes, such as never was of old not ever will be in ages to come, (Joel 2:2).* A plague of locust was coming to rebellious Israel. A forerunner of even more devastation. We pray to be a people and thus a nation who trust and obey. **Please pray for the Kenny Dunn family. Kenny passed away from stomach cancer that was recently diagnosed.**
21. *This is what the Sovereign Lord says about Edom, We have heard a message from the lord. An envoy was sent to the nations to say, Rise, and let us go against her for battle. See, I will make you small among the nations, you will be utterly despised, (Obadiah 1:1-2).*