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FCFI Prayer Guide - May 2023

- Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard, obey it, and repent. But, if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief and you will not know at what time I will come to you, (Revelation 3:3). We are called to remember who's we are. Salvation is through Jesus, God's Son...that truth never changes. We pray to remember God's truth and to trust and obey. Please continue to Pray for Walt as he heals from Lung surgery.
- 2. Noah was six hundred years old when the flood waters came to the earth. And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives entered the ark to escape the waters of the flood, (Genesis 7:6-7). Six hundred on Noah's day may be 60 in our time or even 80. We pray to be actively sharing God's promises in our time. **2-3 Oklahoma FFA, Tulsa OK, Jeff Goss, Mike Weaver**
- 3. Moses and Aaron did just as the Lord commanded them. Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three when they spoke to *Pharaoh*, (Exodus 7:6-7). God used many people in the Bible when they thought their prime was over. We pray to be open to God's will no matter what stage of life we are in. **Please pray for all the brides and grooms as wedding season is upon us.**
- 4. But for their sake I will remember the covenant with their ancestors who I brought out of Egypt in the sight of the nations to be their God. I am the Lord, (Leviticus 26:45). We all sin and fall short in



obedience, but God is graceful. We pray to repent and draw close to the Lord our God. **4-5 Ohio FFA Convention, Columbus, OH, Bill Nichols**

- 5. (Moses said to the Lord), Now may the Lord's strength be displayed, just as you have declared: The Lord is slow to anger, abounding I love and forgiving sin and rebellion, (Numbers 14:17-18). Moses pleaded with God to not punish His people by death. We pray to be a humble, people, not grumbling against God. Please continue to pray for infant Bentley's family as they let him go be with the Lord and donated his kidneys.
- 6. Hear now, O Israel, the decrees, and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you, (Deuteronomy 4:1,2). God's Word is complete. We pray not to add our own interpretations and adjust in what God has said. **Spring Fling, Danville, PA, doc DeVoe**
- 7. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified, do not be discouraged, for the Lord you God will be with you wherever you go, (Joshua 1:9). God was calling the Israelites to action. We pray to be strong and courageous when God gives us a calling. Please pray for opportunities to share our personal testimonies and that they will be a blessing to others.
- 8. Then the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord and served the Baals. They forsook the Lord, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of Egypt, (Judges 2:11). Joshua and that generation died, and the people completely forgot Who the belonged to. We pray to understand we are one generation away from not knowing and following Jesus as Lord and Savior. Please pray for our young high school graduates to make good choices as they enter the adult world.
- 9. And Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favor. Naomi said to her, Go ahead, my daughter. So, she went out and began to glean in the fields behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she found herself working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelech, (Ruth's Father- in- law), (Ruth 2:2,3). Ruth could have stayed in Moab after the death of her husband,

side and assemble there, (Joes 3:9-11). God is in control and when He says come quickly, we pray to attend His Word. Please pray and share the Good News to as many as you can, the end may be near. **Please pray that through FCFI many souls will be drawn to Jesus.**

- 29. But God said to Jonah, do you have a right to be angry about the vine? I do, He answered. I am angry enough to die, (Jonah 4:9). Jonah is so typical of us all. We cry over sentimental things but don't cry over the millions who are dying and going to hell every day. We pray to be more concerned about the salvation of many, rather than our hurt feelings over trivial things. **Memorial Day**
- 30. I will make the lame a remnant, those driven away a strong nation. The Lord will rule over them on Mount Zion from that day and forever, (Micah 4:7). There is a heaven, and it is real. We pray to be looking forward to the kingdom of heaven! 4/30-5/2 Kansas FFA Convention, Manhattan, Jeff Goss
- 31. This is what the Lord says: Although they have allies and are numerous, they will be cut off and pass away. Although I have afflicted you, O Judah, I will afflict you no more, (Nahum 1:12). The Assyrians were ruthless. Nineveh was vast but was so demolished that its ruins were not discovered until the 1800's. We pray to remember God is still in the redeeming business and, no matter our sin or those of our neighbors, God loves us enough to redeem us. **Please pray for our country as we slide closer and closer to recession and socialism.**

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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at a young age as they struggle to learn every -day things not taught in textbooks that the rest of us have learned from our parents.

- 25. All who pass your way clap their hands at you, they scoff and shake their heads at the daughter of Jerusalem. Is this the city that was called the perfection of beauty, the joy of the whole earth, (Lamentations 2:15). Jerusalem was being mocked because she had come to destruction because of rebellion against God. Take note people of America!!! We pray to be faithful and not be a stench to God. Please give a shout of praise to the Jesus movement going on in our country...our church included, as young and old are coming to the saving knowledge of Jesus. Young men in shorts, flip flops and caps are shooting their hands up as if not being able to wait another second when asking if they want to make a profession of faith!!!
- 26. Therefore say: This is what the Sovereign Lord says, I will gather you from the nations and bring you back from the countries where you have been scattered and I will give you back the land of Israel again, (Ezekiel 1:17). God is gracious and loves His children. We pray to listen for His call to be gathered to Him. Please raise a Halleluiah to a young man and woman and infant son. Mother is a sever diabetic from an early age and was told she would not have children. After a struggle during and after pregnancy she is home and doing well!
- 27. King Nebuchadnezzar: To the peoples, nations, and men of every language, who live in all the world: May you prosper greatly! It is me, please to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom, His dominion endures from generation to generation, (Daniel 4:1-3). King Nebuchadnezzar was a pagan king and only interested in himself, but when he saw Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego saved from the fiery furnace, he at least acknowledged God's greatness. We pray to know all power and glory belong to the One true God of heaven and earth. **NY Steam engine Tractor Pull and Flea Market, Canandaigua, Bill Brown**
- 28. Proclaim this among the nations: Prepare for war! Rouse the warriors! Let all the fighting men draw near and attack. Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears. Let the weakling say I am strong! Come quickly, all your nations from every

but she followed Naomi back to Bethlehem, where she took the initiative to find work. God placed her in the field of Boaz. We pray for God's guidance, especially when we don't know our way. Please pray for our farmers as they put in crops and work to take care of the rest of the world with food and products.

- 10. And the boy, Samuel, continued to grow in statue and in favor with the Lord and with men, (1Samuel 2:26). Hannah had prayed for years for a son, and when she had Samuel, she dedicated him to the Lord and when he became of age, she sent him to live in the Temple. We pray to know and respect that all blessings are from the Lord. **10-11 Washington FFA Convention, Kennewick, WA Terry Morrison**
- 11. David took up this lament concerning Saul and his son Jonathan and ordered that the men of Judah be taught this lament of the bow, (2Samuel 1:17,18). Saul and Jonathan had died in battle and David mourned them deeply. We pray to have the courage to lay aside the hate and hurt of others and respect their positives. Please pray for Tommy, a devout man of God who is having health issues.
- 12. The king (Solomon) went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices, for that was the most important high place, and Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that alter. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, ask for whatever you want Me to give you, (1Kings 3:4,5). Solomon asked for wisdom and received riches and honor as well from God. We pray to have a discerning heart. **Please pray for Tamela as she recovers from breast surgery.**
- 13. But the child's mother (the Shunammite woman) said, as surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you. So, he got up and followed her, (2 Kings 4:30). The Shunammite woman was God fearing and she knew where her son's healing would come from. We pray to have the faith of the Shunammite woman in all things. Please pray for Stevie, a young man with Parkinson's who has had surgery to help with some of his side- effects of the illness.
- 14. Along the borders of Manasseh were Beth Shan, Taanach, Megiddo and Dor, together with their villages. The descendants of Joseph, son of Israel lived in these towns, (1Chronicles 7:29). Chronicles gives the genealogy of Israel. Here we see where Joseph's

descendants lived. We pray to remember our physical ancestors and our spiritual Father, the I Am, the Creator of us all. Mother's Day. **Please pray for all mothers and want to be Mothers and women who can't conceive.**

- 15. Now let my lord, (King Solomon) send his servants the wheat and barley and the olive oil and wine he promised, and we will cut all the logs from Lebanon that you need (to build the Temple) and will float them in rafts by sea down to Joppa. You can then take them up to Jerusalem, (2Chronicles 2:15,16). King Solomon prepares to build the Temple. We pray to be looking for ways to fulfill God's calling on our lives. **Please pray for Pete as he continues to have symptoms that cannot be explained.**
- 16. As soon as the copy of the letter of King Artaxerxes was read to Rehum and Shimshai the secretary and their associates, they went immediately to the Jews in Jerusalem and compelled them by force to stop (building the wall around the city), (Ezra 4:23). The Jews had come out of bondage from Babylon and had the blessing of the king to rebuild...but as always when we are rebuilding our lives, there will be opposition. We pray to stand strong amid opposition in our Christian lives. **Please pray for David, he has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.**
- 17. I (Nehemiah) also said to him (King Artaxerxes) If I please the king, may I have letters to the governors of Trans-Euphrates, so that they will provide me safe-conduct until I arrive in Judah? And may I have a letter to Asaph, keeper of the king's forest, so he will give me timber to make beams for the gates of the citadel by the temple and for the city wall and for the residence I will occupy? And because the gracious hand of my God was upon me, the king granted my requests, (Nehemiah 2:7,8). Nehemiah went straight to the top when asking for help. Often, we hesitate to ask for help, afraid of rejection. We pray to be bold in asking for help pertaining to God's call on our lives. **Please pray for Martin. He had an infection on his toe and had to have the toe amputated.**
- 18. But Esther had kept secret her family background and nationality just as Mordecai had told her to do, for she continued to follow Mordecai's instructions as she had done when he was bringing her up, (Esther 2:20). Esther was a Jew but had kept that a secret as she was being prepped to go before the king as a potential bride. We pray to use discretion but never be ashamed of our heritage

as Christians. Please pray for Phil. He continues to have one health issue after the other.

- 19. But now trouble comes to you, and you are discouraged, it strikes you, and you are dismayed, (Job 3:5). Job's friends came to sit with him in his time of grief. However, they were not a comfort. We pray to encourage others in their time of need. **19-21 Four State Farm Show, Pittsburg, KS, Jeff Goss**
- 20. How priceless is Your unfailing love! Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of Your wings, (Psalm 36:7). We as Believers can rest assured that God's favor rests on all of us, no matter our position in life is. We pray to have a God-filled confidence in God's love for us. **FCFI Golf Tournament, Boonville, NY, Bill Brown**
- 21. One man pretends to be rich, yet has nothing, another pretends to be poor, yet has great wealth. A man's riches may ransom his life, but a poor man hears no threat, (Proverbs 13:7,8). Whoever we are and wherever we are in life, rich or poor or in between, God is there with us. We pray to remember no one is poor in God's kingdom and no one lacks worth. **Please pray for Marisa, a young woman with heart issues.**
- 22. But better than both is he who has not yet been, who has not seen the evil that is done under the sun, (Ecclesiastes 4:3). As we mature, we see more and more evil and oppression around us...unborn and innocent are the happiest of all. We pray to protect our children from the evils of this world. **Please pray for caregivers, the pressure is real.**
- 23. Many people will come and say, Come, let us go to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us His ways so that we may walk in His path. The law will come out from Zion, the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem, (Isaiah 2:3). God gave Isaiah the gift of being able to see the future and what would happen to Jerusalem. We pray to be the light of the Lord. **23-24 Mississippi FFA, MSU, Mike Weaver**
- 24. O house of Israel declares the Lord, I am bringing a distant nation against you, an ancient and enduring nation, a people whose language you do not know, whose speech you do not understand, (Jeremiah 5:15). God's pronouncement of doom on the Israelites because of their rebellion. We pray to not be a rebellious and stiffnecked people...or our time is coming. **Please pray for those** who lost their parents, either to death or other circumstances,