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### FCFI Prayer Guide - June 2023

1. *Renew them (the Israelites) in our day, in our time make them known. In wrath remember mercy, (Habakkuk 3:2). Habakkuk knew God was going to discipline His children but asked for mercy as well as justice. We pray to humbly seek God and follow His guidance. **3-4 Western NY Dairy Festival, Springville, NY, Bill Brown***
2. *At that time I will gather you, at that time I will bring you home. I will give you honor and praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your fortunes before your very eyes, says the Lord, (Zephaniah 3:20). In the last days God will gather his children home to Israel. We pray to be ready when God calls us home to Him. **2-4 Nittany Antique Machinery Show, Centre Hall, PA, Michael Steele***
3. *Then Haggai said, If a person defiled by contact with a dead body touches one of these things, does it become defiled? Yes, the Priests replied, it becomes defiled, (Haggai 2:13). Lots of rules and regulations that were in place...some ordained by God and many by the priests themselves. NONE of these rules could save a person's soul. We pray to know on Jesus can unite us with the Father. **3-4 Vermont Dairy Festival, Enosburg Falls VT, Fleming, Bill Brown***

4. *Ask all of the people of the land and the priests, When you fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh months for the past seventy years, was it really for Me that you fasted, (Zechariah 7:5).* God was asking some hard questions through Zechariah. He asks those same questions today. We pray that in all we do we do it for the Lord. **3-4 Antique Tractor Show, Madrid, NY, Dave Porter**
5. *Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother, then come and offer your gift, (Matthew 5:23,24).* Our attitude toward others reflects our relationship with God. We pray to be humble in response to others. **5-7 Louisiana FFA, Baton Rouge, Jeff Goss**
6. *At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan, (Mark 1:9).* Jesus grew up in Nazareth. John the Baptizer was preaching repentance and baptism...Jesus did not need to repent but He wanted to be baptized. We pray to reach out to others and share repentance of sin and water baptism. **6-8 Kentucky FFA, Lexington, Mike Weaver**
7. *At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth, (Luke 1:39,40).* When the angel told Mary that Elizabeth was expecting a child, Mary hurried to her. We pray to be excited for others in their good news. **6-8 South Carolina FFA, Greenville, SC, Jeff Goss**
8. *Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law and about whom the prophets also wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph, (John 1:44).* We should not let our...or other's prejudice be a stumbling block when we share the Good News. We pray to remember God loves all people and wants them to be saved from the destruction of hell. **7-8 Alabama FFA Convention, Montgomery, Jeff Goss**
9. *David said about Him I saw the Lord always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken, (Acts 2:25).* Peter quoted these words written by David. We pray to remember we are

*and it will be accepted on his behalf to make atonement for him, (Leviticus 1:1,2).* After 400 years as slaves God was teaching His people to take responsibility of themselves and their sins. The ceremonies, rituals, and sacrifices where the best way for the Israelites to focus their thoughts and lives on God. We pray to be a God focused people. **Please pray for all unbelievers... pray they will feel the burden of their sin and be drawn to the Lord in faith.**

29. *The Lord said to Moses, Speak to the Israelites, and say to them, When you enter the land to which I am taking you and you eat the food of the land, present a portion as an offering to the Lord, (Numbers 15:17).* Here, God is still giving specific instructions to His people. Sacrifice is important for us to remember where our blessings come from. We pray to give back as we have been given. **Please pray for our graduates...as they go from the classroom to practical application of their education.**
30. *See, I (God) have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land that the Lord swore He would give to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and to their descendants after them, (Deuteronomy 1:8).* It took the Israelites 40 years on a journey that should have lasted a couple of weeks. The journey was a painful necessary part of their preparation of leading obedient lives. We pray to prepare our hearts to live for God daily. **6/30-7/8 Millville Carnival, Millville, PA, Doc Devoe**

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### 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 - put Prayer Guide in the subject line in text or email) 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.

24. *See that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the son and in the Father,* (1John 2:24). False teachers were with us from the beginning... adding to and subtracting from the basic Good News of the Bible. It is important to know and stand firm in what we believe by knowing our Scripture. We pray to be faithful to grow in knowledge of the Bible. **25 Farmers Market, Syracuse, NY**
25. *The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys their cargoes anymore,* (Revelation 18:11). There will be a time when gold and silver and precious other items will mean nothing. We should invest our time in Soul winning business. We pray to invest our time and money in the things that matter for eternity. **Nutmeg Truck Show, Brooklyn, CT Bill Brown**
26. *And God saw that it was good,* (Genesis 1:15). God spoke the world and everything on it into being and He saw that it was good! We should not feel guilty about our accomplishments and having a good time while here on earth. God has given us both. We pray to live an abundant life while here. **Please pray for our farmers as crop production is in full swing...pray for wisdom, guidance, safety, and a successful crop.**
27. *Then the Lord said to Moses, See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be you prophet. You are to say everything I command you and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country,* (Exodus 7:1,2). Pharaoh honored power and when he would not grant Moses' request's he was showing his own power and authority. We pray respect those in authority but not bow down like they are gods...there is only one God. **27-29 North Carolina FFA, Raleigh NC, Mike Weaver**
28. *The Lord called Moses and spoke to him from the Tent of Meeting. He said, Speak to the Israelites and say to them, When any of you brings an offering to the Lord, bring as your offering an animal from either the herd or the flock. If the offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he is to offer a male without defect. He must present it at the entrance to the Tent of meeting so that it will be acceptable to the Lord. He is to lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering,*
- never alone, and we are on a firm foundation as we put our trust in God. **10-11 Meridith Dairy Fest, Meridith, NY, Bill Brown**
10. *They know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them,* (Romans 1:32). Everyone is born with an understanding of right and wrong. When we decide to do wrong rather than right it is called sin. Jesus paid the penalty for our rightful death, but grace doesn't give us a freedom to sin but a joy not to. We pray to know the difference in freedom to sin and freedom from sin. **10-11 Violet Festival, Dolgeville, NY, Bill Brown**
11. *So, neither he who plants, nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow,* (1Corinthians 3:7). Each person has a role to play in God's plan for humanity. We are here for such a time as this. Some plant, some water, and some support those that do. But only God gives the increase. We pray to be faithful in planting and watering and supporting and to give God praise and honor and glory for the increase. **10-11 Antique Tractor Show, Sharon Springs, NY, Bill Brown**
12. *We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about the hardships we suffered in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life. Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death,* (2Corinthians 1:8,9). Paul doesn't sugar coat his hardships in sharing the Gospel. We pray our troubles will draw us toward God rather than us pushing Him away. **Please pray for the Lentz family. Their son aged 22 just died as the result of a fiery crash...this is the latest in some unrelated tragedies that have surrounded their lives.**
13. *Formerly, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods. But now that you know God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you are turning back to those weak and miserable principles? Do you wish to be enslaved by them all over again,* (Galatians 4:8,9). Paul's missionary journeys had taken him to Galicia, and he had shared the Gospel. Now the people were turning back to their old ways. This confused Paul that they would rather be slaves to sin again. God also

wants us as Believers to not turn back to our old habits. We pray to stand firm in our faith and convictions. **13-15 Illinois FFA Convention, Springfield, Dennis Schlagel**

14. *I (Paul) became a servant of this Gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of His power, (Ephesians 3:7).* Praise the Lord God gives us all the gift of grace. We pray to accept that grace and then to share with others the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. **Wisconsin FFA, Pastor Dave Adams**
15. *Without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved, and that by God, (Philippians 1:28).* It is a natural response to be afraid when you are against opposition, especially physical opposition. Even if we perish in body, we are saved spiritually... no one can change that no matter how they treat us. We pray for strength for the day! **Please pray for Tim as he deals every day with a permanent ostomy bag.**
16. *Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator, (Colossians 3:9,10).* At salvation, we are dead to our old selves and new in Christ. As we grow spiritually, we become more like Jesus. We pray to remember we are brothers and sisters to Christ our Creator. **Please pray for those who have difficulty sleeping at night... the struggle is real.**
17. *Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged by you because of your faith, (1Thessalonians 3:7).* We never know who our testimonies will touch. We pray to live lives that will encourage others as they see our strength even in the bad times. **17-18 Strawberry Festival, Owego, NY, Bill Brown**
18. *We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing, (2Thessalonians 1:3).* Paul was affirming and encouraging fellow Believers. We pray to be an encouragement to others. **Branford Festival, Branford, CT, Bill Brown**
19. *For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all men, the testimony given in its proper time, (1Timothy 2:5).* Ransom is the price paid to release a slave from captivity. Jesus paid our ransom by His death for our penalty of sin. **18 Chenango County Dairy Fest, Norwich, NY, Bill Brown**
20. *What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you, guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us, (2Timothy 1:13,14).* Timothy was in a transition place from being a student of Paul to going out on his own. Transition is often hard but can be easier if we remember our foundation and that we have been given everything we need to face the future. We pray to hold on tightly to the resources with which the Lord has entrusted us. **18-23 Virginia FFA, Blackburg, VA, Michael Steele**
21. *For we also have had the Gospel preached to us, just as they did, but the message they heard was of no value to them, because those who heard did not combine it with faith, (Hebrews 4:2).* Many in church today are like the people mentioned here. They are members of a church but not a Believer by faith in Jesus. We pray to have faith that what we say we believe we really do believe. **19-22 Indiana FFA, Purdue University, Dennis Schlagel**
22. *Are any of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise, (James 5:13).* We can never spiritually rise above our prayer life. We pray to be faithful prayer warriors. **19-23 Florida FFA, Caribe Royale, Orlando, Mike Weaver**
23. *As you come to Him (Jesus), the Living Stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to Him, you also like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ, (1Peter 2:4).* One stone is not a building by itself, just as it takes us all sharing in the work of sharing the Gospel message. We pray to be a part of the sharing of the good news of the Living Stone. **23-25 IH Red Power Roundup, Springfield, OH**