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FCFI Prayer Guide - May 2024

1. *The Lord said to Moses, make two trumpets of hammered silver, and use them for calling the community together and for having the camps set out, (Numbers 10:1). The trumpet blasts reminded the Israelites of God's calling and protection over them. Different sounds gave different directions. We pray to listen for God's direction for our lives. **Please pray for Christyne and her family as she begins life without Steve.***
2. *But how can I (Moses) bear your (Israelites) problems and your burdens and your disputes all by myself? Choose some wise, understanding and respected men from each of your tribes, and I will set them over you, (Deuteronomy 1:12-13). Moses told them to choose men of wisdom, understanding and respect to be their leaders. We pray to be worthy of our calling if we are in leadership areas. **Please join George in prayer for Godly relationships in our churches.***
3. *When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua, Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan from right where the priests stood and to carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight, (Joshua 4:1-3). Rather than send them right into battle, God wanted His people to concentrate on Him and build a memorial in His honor for bringing safely across the Jordan. We pray to consecrate our plans, our work, our lives to the Lord. **Please join Eric in prayer that his farm will do well as he continues to invest more time and energy there.***

4. *The men of Judah also took Gaza, Ashkelon and Ekron, each city with its territory, (Judges 1:18). These cities surround Jerusalem and are still being fought over today. Then, as now, the greatest threat to our lives is Spiritual downfall. God wants all of our sins to be destroyed. We pray to keep our focus on God alone. **Prayers for Kairos Prison Ministries at Lebanon Correctional Institution in Lebanon, OH. They are having a four day renewal event May 2-5 at the prison. Please pray for God's will to prevail. Also pray for the residents, staff, volunteers, supporters and all aspects for an awesome Christ led event. Spring Fling, Danville, PA, Doc Devoe***
5. *So, Ruth stayed close to the servant girls of Boaz to glean until the barley and wheat harvests were finished. And she lived with her mother-in-law, (Ruth 2:23). Ruth had returned to Bethlehem with Naomi when she returned from Moab. Naomi's husband and sons were dead so she had lost all of her wealth. Ruth began gleaning so they would have food. We pray to look after those we love. **Please continue to pray for Noah as he waits on surgery for a burst appendix and other issues in his abdomen.***
6. *What was it He told you (Samuel)? Eli asked. Do not hide it from me. May God deal with you, be it ever so severely, if you hide from me anything He told you. So, Samuel told him everything, hiding nothing from him. The Eli said, He is the Lord, let Him do what is good in His eyes, (1Samuel 3:17-18). Eli's sons had abused their area of power and Eli knew it and didn't stop them. Even though Samuel was young he was learning God's boundaries early and clearly. We pray to be diligent in setting boundaries in our lives. **Please pray for Patrick and Linda as they struggle to find answers for him losing over 20 pounds.***
7. *Joab answered, as surely as God lives, if your (Abner) had not spoken, the men would have continued the pursuit of their brothers until morning. So, Joab blew the trumpet, and all the men came to a halt, they no longer pursued Israel, nor did they fight anymore, (2Samuel 2:27-28). Israel and Judah had lost sight of God's vision to conquer the land and settle it. They began fighting each other. It is so easy to lose our focus in conflict. We pray to know our enemy is Satan and our victory is in the Lord. **7-8 Oklahoma FFA, Tulsa, OK, Jeff Goss and Mike Weaver***
8. *Solomon replied, if he (Adonijah) shows himself to be worthy man, not a hair of his head will ball to the ground, but if evil is found in him, he will die. Then King Solomon sent men, and they brought him down from the altar. And Adonijah came and bowed down to King Solomon, and Solomon said, Go to your home, (1Kings 1:52-53). Adonijah had declared himself king*

us...when in fact He is trying to get our attention. We pray to not run from God but run towards Him with open arms. **28-31 New Mexico FFA, Las Cruces, NM, Jeff Goss**

29. *He will judge between many peoples and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore, (Micah 4:3). We do not know when this great day of peace is coming but we do know it is a promise. We pray to think in terms of peace in all situations. **29-31 Kansas FFA Convention, Manhattan, Mike Weaver***
30. *Are you better than Thebes, situated on the Nile, with water around her? The river was her defense and the waters her wall, (Nahum 3:8). Thebes thought she was too large and too secure to be conquered but Assyria conquered them 51 years before this writing. Even Assyria, as mighty as she was, went down in defeat. We pray to put our trust in God above all else. **Please pray that family relationships will be healed...Satan likes nothing better than to see our families floundering.***
31. *You (God) have made men like fish in the sea, like sea creatures that have no ruler. The wicked foe pulls all of them up with hooks, he catches them in his net, he gathers them up in his dragnet and so he rejoices and is glad, (Habakkuk 1:14-15). Habakkuk was complaining to God about using a pagan nation to punish the Israelites. It is easy to judge God when things aren't going our way. We pray to keep our paths straight and to walk in the way of the Lord our God. **Please pray for Pastors and their wives and families.***

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 Dan Janzen (email: fellowship@fcfi.org) at the FCFI office.

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exiled among the nations, the law is no more, and her prophets no longer find visions for the Lord, (Lamentations 2:9). The ways we find security are our buildings, leaders, laws and spiritual leaders. All of these were taken from Israel because of their rebellion. We pray to know our real security comes for the Lord. **Please pray for all non-believers. We all know some good folks who don't think they need God.**

23. *He (God) then said to me (Ezekiel): Son of Man, I will cut off the supply of food in Jerusalem. The people will eat rationed food in anxiety and drink rationed water in despair, for food and water will be scarce. They will be appalled at the sight of each other and will waste away because of their sin,* (Ezekiel 4:16). The people were being warned through Ezekiel. Even through a time a famine they did not repent. We pray to be a repentant people. **Please pray for Israel.**
24. *Moreover, at Daniel's request the king appointed Shadrach, Meshack and Abednego administrators over the province of Babylon, while David himself remained at the royal court,* (Daniel 2:49). Daniel had found favor in the eyes of King Nebuchadnezzar because he had interrupted a dream. He then asked that his Hebrew friends be placed in prominent places of leadership to help him. We pray to share the load of responsibility with capable people. **24-27 Logan Hills Festival, Bill Nichols**
25. *Hear this, you priests! Pay attention, you Israelites! Listen, O royal house! This judgment is against you, you have been a snare at Mizpah, a net spread out on Tabor,* (Hosea 5:1). When civil and spiritual leaders are corrupt it is easier to fall into corruption as a country. We pray to elect leaders who know God as their leader. **NY Steam Engine Tractor Pull and Flea Market, Canandaigua, NY, Bill Brown**
26. *I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke,* (Joel 2:30). Here God is predicting the day of the Lord! We pray to be ready when God is ready! **Please pray for those who need to make lifechanging decisions.**
27. *I gave you empty stomachs in every city and lack of bread in every town, and yet you have not returned to Me, declares the Lord,* (Amos 4:6). God tried to discipline His children in simple, easy ways, just as He does us...still they would not repent and turn to Him. We pray to be a humble people with a repentant heart. **Please pray for all who are struggling financially during this strained economic time.**
28. *You hurled me into the deep, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me, all Your waves and breakers swept over me,* (Jonah 2:3). Sometimes we feel like Jonah...that God has forsaken

because David was old and near death. But David crowned Solomon king and Adonijah was afraid and went to the Temple and held on to the altar. We pray to stay in our own lane and not overstep our boundaries. **Please continue to pray for Nathan as he is adjusting to a new lifestyle of his body attacking his red blood cells.**

9. *Then he (Elisha) went out to the spring and threw the salt into it, saying, this is what the Lords says, I have healed this water. Never again will it cause death or make the land unproductive. And the water has remained wholesome to this day, according to the word Elisha had spoken,* (2 Kings 2:21-22). Elijah had been taken up in a whirlwind and Elisha was now the prophet and this was one of his first miracles. We pray to continue to do the Kingdom's work when others are not with us anymore. **9-11 Washington FFA Convention, Kennewick, Terry Morrison**
10. *The relatives who were fighting men belonging to all the clans of Issachar, as listed in their genealogy, were 87,000 in all,* (1 Chronicles 7:5). Chronicles lists the Israelites by clans and families. We pray to remember our roots...especially our Spiritual roots, Jesus as our Savior. **Please pray that George's adopted son's birth parents will come to know Jesus as their Savior.**
11. *Send me also cedar, pine, and algum logs from Lebanon, for I know that your men are skilled in cutting timber there. My men will work with yours to provide me with plenty of lumber, because the Temple I build must be large and magnificent,* (2 Chronicles 2:8-9). Solomon was making preparations to build the Temple in Jerusalem. Israel had little timber and Lebanon had much...Lebanon had little food sources and Israel had much...a good trade was made by both kings. We pray to use our resources wisely and to be fair in trade. **Please pray for a group of peanut farmers and their buying point as they are now being told the merchants are going bankrupt and unless God intervenes these farmers and owners will lose all of this years' crop...and maybe their farms and homes.**
12. *For the dedication of this House of God (rebuilt Temple) they offered a hundred bulls, two hundred rams, four hundred male lambs and, as a sin offering for all Israel, twelve male goats, one for each of the tribes of Israel. And they installed the priests in their divisions and the Levites in their groups for the service of God at Jerusalem, according to what is written in the Book of Moses,* (Ezra 6: 17-18). This was a great time of celebration and sacrifice and worship as the work of rebuilding the Temple was completed. We pray to take time to worship and celebrate the Lord

our God! **Happy Mother's Day to all mothers!!! Please pray for all mothers...and those who are struggling to be Mothers.**

13. *By night I went out through the Valley Gate toward the Jackal Well and the Dung Gate, examining the wall of Jerusalem, which had been broken down, and its gates, which had been destroyed by fire. Then I moved on toward the Fountain Gate and the King's Pool, but there was not enough room for my mount to get through, (Nehemiah 2:13-14).* Nehemiah had been given permission by the Assyrian king to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem but he had not yet told the exiles who had returned his plan. We pray to be good planners and to set goals and to be motivated by those goals rather than overwhelmed. **Please pray that God will bless our farmers as they begin to put in this year's crop. Pray for timely rains and little disease and no hurricanes.**
14. *(Ester speaking to Mordecai) Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish. So, Mordecai went away and carried out all of Esther's instructions, (Esther 4:16-17).* King Xerxes had been tricked by Haman to have all the Jews in the land killed on a certain day. Esther was their only hope and she risked death to help her people. We pray to be bold in our work for the Lord. **Please pray for commodity prices to stay high enough our farmers can sustain their families and land.**
15. *You (God) gave me (Job) life and showed me kindness, and in your providence watched over my spirit, (Job 10:12).* When we are struggling with life's difficulties, it is easy to assume God had forgotten us or is blaming/shaming us. Though Job questioned God's decision because he lost his family and his wealth, he did not turn from believing and worshiping God. We pray to be faithful even in the bad times of life. **Please pray for our younger farmers as they try to make their place in the farming community. Please pray for them to make wise decisions and that lending facilities will show favor on them.**
16. *O Lord, do not rebuke me in Your anger or discipline me in Your wrath. Be merciful to me, Lord, for I am faint, O Lord, heal me, for my bones are in agony. My soul is in anguish, how long, O Lord, how long, (Psalm 7:1-3).* David had been falsely accused of trying to kill Saul and many were against him during this time. Instead of striking back David chose to take his questions to God. We, too, should seek God rather than revenge when we are wrongly accused. We pray to allow God to bring justice to our case. **Please pray for our churches as people**
- are coming and are hungry and thirsty to know more about Jesus. Pray for Believers to step up and in and help guide them as they seek answers.**
17. *The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, turning a man from the snares of death, (Proverbs 14:27).* Spiritual death is as certain as spiritual life or the fountain of life. We pray to choose to follow Jesus. **17-19 Four State Farm Show, Pittsburg, KS, Jeff Goss**
18. *I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. I devoted myself to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under heaven. What a heavy burden God has laid on men! I have seen all the things that are done under the sun, all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind, (Ecclesiastes 1:12-14).* Solomon was the wisest man of his time. He concluded neither wealth nor wisdom could make us happy. True wisdom and happiness come from being a child of God. We pray for many to come to the saving grace of our Lord. **Benton Spring Fling, Doc DeVoe..... FCFI Golf Tournament Boonville, NY, Bill Brown**
19. *See! The winter is past, and the rains are over and gone, (Song of Songs 2:11).* We have seasons of winter in our lives which bring sorrow and suffering. We pray to remember the winter times in our lives will pass just as the cold winter months of the season do. **18-19 Renaissance Festival, Holland Patent, NY, Bill Brown**
20. *The arrogance of man will be brought low and the pride of men humbled, the Lord alone will be exalted in that day, (Isaiah 2:17).* In the day of reckoning many will have a rude awakening. All the things we have considered so important and necessary will not matter. We pray to place our confidence in God alone. **Please pray for FCFI as new leadership gets settled into place.**
21. *This is what the Lord says to the men of Judah and to Jerusalem. Break up your unplowed grounds and do not sow among thorns. Circumcise yourselves to the Lord, circumcise your hearts, you men of Judah and people of Jerusalem, or My wrath will break out and burn like fire because of the evil you have done, burn with no one to quench it, (Jeremiah 4: 3-4).* A hard heart needs to be plowed with God's Word. For seeds to grow, we must get rid of the thorns (sin) in our lives. We pray for our hearts to be fertile ground where God's Word can take root and grow in our lives. **Please pray for our country...we are in desperate need of God's love and mercy and forgiveness in these times we are living in.**
22. **Her (Jerusalem)gates have sunk into the ground and their bars He has broken and destroyed. Her king and her princes are**