**A PRAYER from Psalm 56 adapted and personalized for Baptist spiritual workers**

**PSALM 56 A PRAYER OF TRUST AND HOPE**

**Psa 56:1** Be merciful to me, O God my Heavenly Father, because I am under attack; my enemies persecute me all the time.

Psa 56:2 All day long my opponents attack me. There are so many MEN who fight against me.

Psa 56:3 When I am afraid, O LORD Almighty, I put my trust in you.

Psa 56:4 I trust in my Victorious Saving God and am not afraid; I praise him for what he has promised. What can a mere human being do to me?

Psa 56:5 My enemies make trouble for me all day long; they are always thinking up some way to hurt me!

Psa 56:6 These MEN gather in hiding places and watch everything I do, hoping to destroy me.

Psa 56:7 Punish them, O God, for their evil; defeat those MEN in your anger!

Psa 56:8 You know how troubled I am; you have kept a record of my tears. Aren't they listed in your book?

Psa 56:9 The day I call to you, my enemies will be turned back. I know this: my gracious God is on my side -

Psa 56:10 the Precious LORD Jesus, whose promises I praise.

Psa 56:11 In him, Jesus, I trust, and I will not be afraid. What can a mere human being do to me?

Psa 56:12 O God my Father, I will offer you what I have promised; I will give you my offering of thanksgiving,

Psa 56:13 because you have rescued me from death and kept me from defeat. And so I walk in the presence of my holy, radiant God, in the light that shines on the living.