

**Lilly Conference  
Pepperdine University  
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**Opening Prayer**

Oh, God – whose word is our way and our truth and our life – we come before you as those who are called to lead – asking that you – lead us – in paths of righteousness for your name's sake

And as those who are called to teach we ask for your wisdom from above. Teach us to listen with humility and grace. As those who are called to life in the spirit we seek to give our lives for the sake of the world so that it might know the power of your healing and redeeming love. As those who are called to the life of the mind, may we find joy in knowing you.

As those called to participate in your life we come on behalf of others in our community. We lift up petitions for Farcin Madjidi and Cyndia Clegg whose families need your consoling and reassuring presence and with them we raise up prayer for all who need the healing of your touch.

We thank you for colleagues with whom to work and from whom to learn and now for whom, in a moment of silence we pray.

Bless our efforts to encourage each other at this conference that we may find greater clarity concerning our calling in and on behalf of the world of your making.

It is in the name of Jesus through whom we have been called, that we pray, Amen

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