

# PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE IN OUR MISSION TO SERVE THOSE WHO NEED US MOST

*Let us begin our prayer marked by the sign of our faith: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

Good and Gracious God,

We thank you that you have such love and compassion for those among us with diverse challenges.

Thank you for the example of your Son who, when He walked this earth, often heard their cries and stopped in the middle of teaching the crowds to reach out to give the healing touch of your attention, words of encouragement and presence.

Lord, you know that all our students want to live lives where they are able to follow their dreams and contribute their gifts and service to the community. Bless us with the patience, wisdom, and resources to support their dreams.

We pray for your continued guidance as we seek ways to build up the ministries, programs and individuals who see the value of these children – especially those who need us most.

Help us all to move past outward appearances, paralysis of unfounded fear, or seemingly insurmountable hurdles to truly support all your gifted, wonderful sons and daughters who have so much to offer the world.

And may we all be blessed by their courage.

Help us to honor their faith and dependence on you, by placing our own faith and dependence as strongly on you.

May your loving, gracious will be done in their lives.

We ask this in your name,

Amen.