We pray as we prepare for our General Assembly in May:

Highest, brightest God,
enlighten the darkness of our hearts.
Give us a faith that leads on,
a hope that carries through,
a love that excludes no one and nothing.
Let us feel, Lord, who you are, and
realize how we are fulfilling your mission.
Amen



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Growing in universal love with undivided hearts (TOR Rule, 8)



From the Sacred Exchange between Saint Francis and Lady Poverty

The kingdom of heaven truly belongs to those who, of their own will, a spiritual intention, and a desire for eternal goods, possess nothing of this earth.

It is necessary for those who do not care for the goods of the earth to live for those of heaven. ...

It is necessary for those who renounce the things of the earth ... to taste with pleasure ...

the sweet crumbs which fall from the table of the holy angels.

Thus might they merit to savor how sweet and delightful is the Lord.

(ScEx 3)

O God, you delight to be with the simple and those rejected by society. Assist us in doing your work in the world without standing in the way of those you want to build up.

May we find pleasure and delight in Your most holy words and deeds and, with these, lead people to the love of God with gladness and joy.

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