

2016 ICSC Conference Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

We gather in your name as did your apostles before us.
And we live, as they did, in anxious times,
painfully aware of sin's presence in the world;
a world in need of your Father's mercy and love.

As your disciples, we also live in hope,
confident that your light is breaking through
the changing moods of life - healing, embracing
and transforming as your presence moves deep within us.

Help us see this time together as a moment of grace:
A time when we open our hearts to you in prayer,
discover your Truth in our discussions,
and serve as blessings to one another.

Make us better stewards of the great wealth
of gifts you have bestowed upon us.
And show us how to teach others
to open their hearts to those who hunger,
thirst or who are strangers.

Refresh our minds,
renew our faith, and
inspire us to proclaim your Gospel
with a new energy in word and in deed
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen