Society of St. Vincent de Paul Getting Ahead Facilitator Training

Opening Prayer

God of Great Wonder

Send your Spirit into the lives of each one gathered here.

Yours is the power of the wind and flame,

Help us to be open to your presence and trust in your wisdom.

Lead us to trust in you and allow you to work through us as we work with those in need.

For Without you we can do nothing,

But with you we can do all.

As we gather in your name this day, we know you are with us; your spirit is alive within. Enlighten us that we may become faithful witnesses to your name in all that we do. Strengthen our faith in your work in our lives so that we may grow in our faith And in our life of Vincentian ministry.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord.

Amen

Closing Prayer

God of Great Love,

You have called us here this day and we have answered. We know we cannot do this work on our own, but with you all is possible.

Help us to be comfortable in our own inadequacy,

And to rely on your strength and wisdom within.

Give us the wisdom to sow the seed of your word generously

And to be content not to see the fruit,

But to allow your power to work in your time

In those we touch.

Be with each of us as we go forth to live out our baptismal call in all that we do, Knowing that we are never alone.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.

Amen