Lord in heaven, King of all, we humbly come to You this moment with our hearts, our souls, and our minds prostrate to you. Help us to continually see and believe in You; to know what your character is, to understand what your will is, and to follow you wherever and whatever you would call us to do in accordance with Your inspired and inerrant Word.

Help us, also, Lord, to understand that this moment of our gathering is not to be taken lightheartedly. Help us not resurrect our own golden calves in this place or operate by mere tradition or be present here without solely wanting to worship and adore You and you alone, the God who has created all things.

Lord, help forgive us if we gather in this place for any other reason than for you and what you have commanded us to do. Grant us mercy and forgiveness for the sins we have committed and help us to have forgiving hearts to those who may have sinned against us.

Help us, then, Lord, to do as your Word tells us and encourage one another in our worship to you. Help us to build each other up, remind each other of Your precious Son and His finished Work on the cross; to know that one day You will return, and in that truth, to push each other to further sanctification and perseverance in the faith.

In Jesus name,

Amen.

