

A Prayer for Match Day

Lord, you have steadily walked this journey of medical school with us each and every day. You have been with us as we studied, as we saw our first patients, and as we rejoiced over making a correct diagnosis. You have also been beside us in our learning as we answered questions incorrectly or struggled with anxiety about exams. You loved us during all these experiences. You were there when we showed quiet compassion to a suffering patient, when we prayed silently, and when we were suddenly aware of your presence with us.

Jesus, you have been with us throughout this journey. Now we are at a place where the road turns. We will be sent to different places to continue our journey and today we find out where this road leads.

We are anxious, excited, nervous, and even afraid. Where will each of us be going and what will this next season bring? Lord, remind us of your loving presence with us. As Moses shared these words with Joshua, would we be encouraged by them as well, "The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Deut. 31:8

Lord, we come to you in this time of uncertainty and anticipation. We know that you have led us this far in our journey. Help us trust you in our next steps and remember that you promise never to leave us. Surround us with your peace. Guide us in your wisdom. Wherever you send us, help us to treat patients with humility and compassion, seeking for you to heal them spiritually, mentally, and physically.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.