

Benediction

President Decker,

Congratulations and may you be blessed.

May you know joy and companionship in this community of learning.

May the wind be at your back as you move forward and listen to the needs of this University, to the students, your faculty and staff, the city and the world around you.

May you know humor and delight as well as success and accomplishment.

May you know resiliency in disappointment. And may you be surrounded by this community to support you.

President Decker, may God be with you and with this University as you lead it now and into the future.

Amen.

Benediction given by Dr. Ellen O'Shaughnessy on the Occasion of the Inauguration of President David R. Decker, Ph.D. as Fourth President of Franklin University, May 16, 2008