



"Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name."

1 Chronicles 29:13

In anticipation of my December departure to begin a new position at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, I find myself gazing more intently at you, my colleagues. I thank God for who you are--for your intelligence, competence, kindness, diligence, and determination. I will carry with me a deep sense of appreciation for you both as individuals and as a community.

During my 30 years at Pepperdine, I have learned many lessons from you; including the importance of being intentional about developing good character, the value and satisfaction of working diligently and persistently, and the courage and desire to pursue excellence. I have learned these lessons by working day in and day out along side you.

I am profoundly grateful for what I have learned from you. I thank God for who you are and who you will become by building on the best of your heritage and pursuing hard after the God of love.

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