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Lindenwood University men's basketball Coach Brad Soderberg delivered an inspiring address as guest speaker during the 23rd Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on May 6 at the St. Charles Convention Center. Sponsored by the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce, the event coincided with the 2010 National Day of Prayer.

Soderberg discussed the need for Americans to re-connect with their spirituality. He shared the Bible story of Bartimeaus, who was healed by Jesus and then became His follower. Bartimeaus was rewarded for his faith and his dedication to the Lord.

Soderberg discussed a difficult time in his life during which he learned to listen to the Lord again. He entered the hospital during his tenure as men's basketball coach at Saint Louis University, citing flu-like symptoms and exhaustion.

"It wasn't true, I was stressed out, coaching had become everything, and I was far away from Jesus," Soderberg said. "I believe that happened because God was saying, 'get over here, sit down, and listen to me," he continued. "Now I make six appointments with Him each day, without fail."



LU Men's Basketball Coach, Brad Soderberg

Soderberg believes that the world is experiencing chaos because it is God's way of telling people to listen to Him. "God loves us beyond our comprehension, and once people start talking to Him again things will get better," he said. "Americans need to get on their knees and pray."

An estimated 250 people attended the breakfast.