

活出生命的目的，活出精彩的人生

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Discovering your Purpose, Living Out Loud

標竿人生40天的源由

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柑縣台福基督教會，已經設立有四分之一個世紀，去年年底，正在思考要如何慶祝教會25週年才是合適的時候，我想到幾個基本的核心問題：神對教會的心意如何？神在地上設立教會的目的何在？教會是由神的子民所組成，我們被稱為上帝子民的人，人生的目的和生命的意義何在？當我再一次思考這些問題的時候，我就想到標竿人生40天這項事工，在我心中有一幅景象，如果藉25週年慶來探討這些主題，讓弟兄姐妹們連結在一起，更進一步確定人生的目的和方向，肯定生活與生命的價值與意義，更進一步想到每一位屬上帝的子女，都能致力於活出神所賦予他們的目的，那對教會所能產生正面的影響是何等的大時，我的心就充滿興奮！

標竿人生40天這項事工是馬鞍山華理克牧師在他親自牧養的教會20年來的經歷，用文字寫出來的一套事工計劃。到目前為止，世界各地已經有數千個教會用過這套教材，也有許許多多成功的見證，我心裡想如果我們也能夠用這套教材來幫助弟兄姐妹更加明白主在他們身上的旨意，發現其人生的目的和意義，使教會全體共同踏上靈命成長之旅，作為柑縣教會設立25週年階段性的記號，並以此獻給上帝，那將是何等有意義的一件事。後來把這個想法和教會長老執事和同工分享，大家也都以為美，決定以標竿人生40天事工作為教會25週年慶的主軸計劃就此誕生了。

當這項計劃開始在同工兄弟姊妹間分享時，我聽見許多不同的回應：有的說”牧師，這本書我們小組已經查過了，只是沒有查得很詳細，”有的說”這本書真好，但我們沒看完”有的說” ”這本書我們小組大多數的人都有，以前是走馬看花地看過去，”我心裡想，”那很好，教會已經有一些弟兄姐妹讀過，或是讀過其中片段篇章，對這件事工的進行多少會有一點幫助。”

這一次希望教會每一位弟兄姐妹一起同步，同時間在40天內同心讀完這一本書—標竿人生40天，盼望一同從神的話來領受，並且明白神對教會的心意，認識神對每一位子女的計劃。我相信當我們一起領受，並發現這些答案時，就必能在我們的人生產生震撼，並在教會中帶來更大的生命活力。

我邀請每一位弟兄姐妹為這重大的事工，開始在主前禱告。

1. 求神親自祝福這事工

2. 求神賜下智慧能力給所有帶領策劃這項事工的所有負責同工。
3. 求神引導負責同工們，在籌畫過程中，看見上帝的帶領。
4. 祈求神幫助我自己，也成爲主動參與在這事工的一份子。

至於這項事工的內容作法，及其他許多細節事情，容我在以後的標竿人生40天特刊中，繼續與您分享。下期再會。

BEGINNING OF 40 DAY PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

PR. PETER CHEN

EFCOC has been established for quarter of century. At the end of last year, as I was considering how to celebrate for your anniversary, I came across several basic questions: What is God's heart desire for church? What was the purpose of church when He established it? If church is made of God's people, and we are called the children of God, what is the purpose and meaning to our lives? When I was thinking of these questions, I thought of the Purpose Driven Life Ministry. There came a picture in my heart: if we can use this as the theme for our 25th anniversary celebration to unite the brothers and sisters together in searching for the purpose and direction of our lives, affirm the value and quality of our living so that we can all live our lives the way God has intended, how great of an impact this will be for our Church! My heart was filled with excitement when I thought of these.

Purpose Driven Life is a ministry Pr. Rick Warren of Saddleback Church designed for the church he has pastured for 20 years. Up to today, there were thousands for churches world wide who have used this and saw what God has done to their churches. I thought if we can use our 25th anniversary as a marker for our spiritual growth through this book in finding the purpose and meaning of our lives, we can all grow deeper on this spiritual road. This was the birth of our theme for this anniversary.

I have heard many different feedbacks from brothers and sisters when I shared this idea with them. Some said that they have gone through this book in their small group though not in great detail. Some said that this is truly a great book but they never finished it. Some said that many people have the book. I thought to myself that this is a great start since some of us has read it already even if just partially.

This time, it is my hope that all of us do this together. We can finish this book in 40 days and receive God's word and realize His purpose in our lives together. I hope that this ministry will impact our personal lives and bring greater mobility to our church.

I invited all of us to pray for this ministry

1. God will bless this ministry.
2. God will give wisdom and strength to those who are in charge of this ministry.
3. God will show Himself to all the co-workers so we know how wonderful our God is.
4. God will help me to be an active participant through this ministry.

As for other details on this ministry, I will continue to share with you in our following newsletters.



標竿人生40天的負責同工：

總負責：陳德明長老，禱告：劉富誠長老 宣傳：安寶傑執事，

主日學/小組：顏明誠長老 活動：郭家暢弟兄

五月6日第一次集訓，在神的感動呼召，及德明長老的邀請下，弟兄姐妹踴躍地參與這次的標竿人生40天的小組集訓。參加的兄弟姐妹有些是小組長，有些願意嘗試擔任小組長。

牧師分享小組的作法：

1. 建議以目前現有的小組團契爲單位分組。

2. 願意開放家庭者，可以在他家舉行小組。

在週間時間上無法參加小組的兄弟姐妹，可於週日下午參加在教會舉辦的小組。

這次參加開會的兄弟姐妹如下：

何豔筠，洪文鸞，黃玲清，張春香，黃國書，陳美如，邱顯輝，黃滿輝，劉富誠，顏青毅，鄭弘明，安寶傑，謝榮銘，呂炳奇，Andrea Chen, 何正泰，晏奎文，官碧堯，黃順天，陳瓊枝，呂茂財，石淑星，孫瑞利，高淑敏，黃楊秋，趙修清。當天請假者：孫克讓，俞黃碧茹，許格精，高頌慈。

身為總負責人的的德明長老，感謝大家來參加，並希望今後有更多的人參與，期待藉著大家一起走過的這特殊的40天，能為我們的生命帶來正面的影響。

Cypress 及Huntington Beach 小組已開始進行，Placentia小組也將於6月初開始。以上小組為了讓組員能對所學所讀的內容，能充分吸收，決定以兩週一個章節為進度進行。

五月20日第二次集訓，參與者除了上次的兄弟姐妹以外，還有劉冠志，高頌慈，楊本藍，唐東煥，Joyce.

這一次大家實際地參與第一課的教材，陳牧師擔任小組長，領導大家根據教材的題目，再分成三個小組實際分享。

TO ENGLISH GROUP

下一次集訓的時間是6月3日下午一時，歡迎有心參與的兄弟姐妹，前來接受造就。

PR. GABE

HEY THERE, ENGLISH MINISTRY!

In case you've been wondering, the answer is "Yes! We are participating in the *40 Days of Purpose*" program with the rest of the church. But don't worry, all of our material and small groups will be in English. Here's how it will work. You'll hitch a ride with your parents to the home where their small group is meeting. But instead of joining them, there will also be an English group meeting at the same house. So you'll gather together, watch the video, and talk about the purpose of your life. Pretty cool, huh? And hey, even if you're parents aren't part of a small group, you can still join one of the small groups. And yes, this all takes place on Friday nights. So instead of coming to church for those 6 weeks, you'll go meet at someone's house!

For those of you who don't know what this program is all about, let me tell you that it's designed to help you answer one of life's most pressing questions – what am I doing here? And not only that, but we want you to use this as a chance to invite your friends and family who don't normally come to church to your small group. This way, they can answer one of life's most pressing questions as well! I think this has the potential to be a really special time for our church...

And finally, what am I asking from you? Well, first of all, I'd love it if everyone had a good, prayerful attitude about our upcoming 40 Days, which begin on August 19th. In addition, begin inviting your friends. We have a summer filled with exciting activities and

events, but they will be most fruitful if we follow them up by inviting people to our

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church during 40 Days. One last thing is that some of you might be interested in leading your small group. If you are, let me know... we need to train leaders. If no one volunteers, you know that I have my own special ways of recruiting volunteers (heehee J), but it would be a bigger blessing to all if you volunteer.

With that being said, I'm looking forward to the summer, and I hope you are too!
May God bless you and your family, Pastor Gabe

Sat 6/23 Graduation Banquet
Sun 6/24 Pulpit Exchange
Fri 6/29 Summer Kick-Off BBQ @ Joel & Jesse's
Sun 7/1-8/19 Worship Training Class (Let by Tim every Sunday after church)
Tue 7/3-8/21 English Prayer Night @ Pr. Gabe's (Every Tuesday night)
Sat 7/7 Park Day
Fri 7/13-15 All-Church Retreat

Sun 7/22 Youth Sunday
Sat 7/28 Dinner with the Elders
Wed 8/1 Community Service Event

Sat 8/4-8/6 English Ministry Campout
Sat 8/11 Park Day
Wed 8/15 Community Service Event
Fri 8/17 Game Night
Sun 8/19 40 Days of Purpose Kick-Off!!!

巴傳道

若您還在想我們是否要參加，我們的答案是“要”，我們要和全教會一起參加標竿人生40天的活動，不要擔心，有英文教材。你只要跟著你的父母去參加小組，在那裡你可以參加英語的小組。你可以和大家一起看錄影帶，討論人生的目的，很不錯吧！如果你的父母沒有參加小組，你也可以自己加入小組。如果你沒有參加小組，每個禮拜五晚上在教會也是有為期六週這樣的聚會，請你能夠來參加。若你有固定去參加一個標竿人生的小組，你就不需要在這6個禮拜來教會參加性質一樣的聚會。

你如果還不知道這個活動是在做什麼，讓我來告訴你吧！這是個幫助你回答一個生命中很重要的問題，“我在這裡做什麼？”不但如此，我們也希望藉著這個機會

