

找出生命的目的，活出精彩的人生

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Discovering your Purpose, Living Out Loud



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為耶穌再邀請一人

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從去年年底開始思考，今年一直在策劃中的”標竿人生40天”事工，再一個星期就要開始。幾天前在教育館樓下為推動此事工而特製的看板，看到我們sign up的情況，有15個小組184成人簽名，心中略有一點安慰。上週二在牧師室同工開會時和巴傳道談到英文部籌備的狀況，他說，”我們會把所有的年輕人分組，盼望每一個人都參加，並且參與，參與率希望可達百分之百。”我問他有關交通的問題，他說，”會有困難，但是我們盡量把孩子集中在幾區，交通應該可以克服……”聽到他的回應，我心裡充滿感恩。我們一直都說孩子們應該在教會裡找到榜樣，向叔叔阿姨學習。但這一次我們的青年人的出席率若真是百分之百，那我們倒是應反過來向孩子們看齊了。

預備期

從構思標竿人生至今，可稱為預備期。這預備期中有三件事兒應該知道的。要預備”標竿人生”這本書。

如果你已有這一本書，恭喜你！因這是一本值得你細讀的屬靈書籍。如果你還沒有這本書，請到圖書室去買一本，每本7元。如果你有經濟上的困難，你也可以去拿一本，教會送你一本。

加入一個小組。如果你已是15個小組，184簽名的者之一，恭喜你！你是一位有預備的人，你是行動者，你已預備好自己，要參加屬靈的盛宴。若你未加入小組，你仍有時間，請勿錯過這一個明白上帝創造我在這世上生活的目的的機會。

預備自己要有目的地走過一生。許多人在教會出入5年10年20年甚至30年以上，都可能不曉得自己人生的目的和意義。我們只要用40天，就可以查明究竟，這是何等的上算啊！

衝刺期

從現在開始，以及接下來的兩三週，這段日子可以說是衝刺期。雖然已經有15個小組，184位成人預備來參加，可是我心裡仍有一個想法：請弟兄姐妹為這件事一起禱告，一起行動。那就是為耶穌再邀請一個人。常話說”有好事就要相報”

我們這些嚐過主恩滋味的人，明明知道耶穌這麼好，我們的信仰這麼棒，標竿人生是本好書，明白人生意義是何等重要的事情，我難道不希望我的親戚朋友鄰居一起享受嗎？真的，爲了他們的好處，爲了愛我的主，我要多邀請一個人來參加。

我相信只要有心，一定可以想到一個人，打一通電話，寄一封信給他，主動邀請他，載他到附近的小組，參加這次有意義的聚集。

進行期

從下週主日8/19正式開始一連6週40天，就是我們的進行期。在這進行期的過程中有三件事我們要做的：

不要忘記每天讀一篇”標竿人生40天”的靈修信息，每一篇信息大概有4-6頁，一面讀一面思考裡面的含意，最好不要中斷，也不要貪心，一天就要讀兩三篇，只要一天一篇就夠了。

每週參加一次小組聚會，不同的小組分別在週間不同的時間地區聚會。無論是在週間的哪一天，只要參加聚會一同研討心得，就會幫助我們更深地明白那一週的主題信息，及中心思想。

每一週參加主日聚會，連續6週牧師會帶領我們就當週7天的中心內容做重點式的提示。在這6週的時間，我們要鼓勵弟兄姐每週背一節經文，我們會在主日崇拜的時候，大家一起來背頌經文。同時在這整個過程中，我們盼望弟兄姐妹學會兩首主題詩歌，一首是傳統詩歌，一首是現代詩歌。我們可以把它們背頌起來，隨時都可以朗朗上口，成爲我們心靈的伴侶，和生命的激勵。

這樣經過各人每天的研讀，小組的分享，主日信息的提綱契領，每週經文，主題詩歌，我相信你會有極大的收穫。

在進行的過程中，如果還有新的朋友，歡迎隨時加入，這是一次全教會彼此連結踏上靈命成長之旅的行程。當一切都預備就緒，剩下我們所能做的，也最應該做的就是禱告。容我不厭其煩地提醒眾兄姐要爲”標竿人生40天”在主前迫切代求，不要忘記爲你自己禱告，爲組員禱告，要邀請人來參加禱告，並且爲神將要在我們身上成就祂榮耀的目的和旨意而感恩。

Invite another friend for Jesus

What we've started to think about and what we've been planning all year long: "Purpose Driven Life 40 Days" is about to start in one week. Few days ago, I was looking at the bulletin board in the Educational Hall.

There are 15 small groups, comprised of 184 members who have already signed up. I felt comforted. Last Tuesday, during pastoral staff meeting, Pastor Barber said, "We will divide all the youngsters into small groups. Hopefully, everyone will participate and 100% of the congregation may get involved." I asked him concerning transportation. He said, "It will be difficult, but we will try to concentrate the small groups into fewer communities so we should be able to overcome the problem of transportation." When I heard his response, I was overwhelmed with a sense of thanksgiving. I've always thought our young people needed mature role models, and to learn from our uncles and aunts.

But if their participation is 100%, then maybe we have a thing or two to learn from our young people.

PREPARATION PERIOD

From the beginning to now, it can be called a time of preparation. During this period, brothers and sisters need to keep three things in mind

1. You need to prepare the book titled The Purpose Driven Life. If you have one al-

ready, congratulations. this is one book that is worth reading in detail. If you don't have one yet, you may purchase one from the church library. the cost is \$7. If you are unable to pay for it, you may pick one up as a gift from our church.

2. Join a small group. If you are already a part of the 15 small groups, congratulations. You are a prepared person. You are a person of action. You have prepared yourself to join in the spiritual banquet. If you haven't joined a small group yet, you still have time. Please don't miss this opportunity to find out why God has put you on this earth for.

3. Prepare myself so my life can have a purpose Many people can attend church for 5, 10, 20, or even 30 years. They may still not know the meaning of their life. We only need to use 40 days to find the meaning of our life. This is very efficient use of our time.

RUSH HOUR

From now on and for next two to three weeks, this period can be called the Rush hour.

Although there are 15 small groups and 184 people who have signed up. But my heart still lingers on a thought. I ask that brothers and sisters will keep this in prayer. That is, please invite another friend for Jesus. There is an old saying, "When there is a wonderful matter, we should share it with others." We have tasted the wonderful grace of God. We know Jesus is wonderful.

We know our faith is so great. Purpose Drive Life is a great book. Knowing the meaning of our life is so important. Do we not want our friends and relatives to enjoy it together? Really, for their sake, for the sake of our loving God, we should invite another friend to join our small group.

I believe as long as we are willing, we must be able to think of a friend that we can call or write to. Initiate your invitation. Bring him to a nearby small group. Join this meaningful event.

PROGRESSIVE PERIOD.

From next Sunday 8/19, we officially begin our 40 days of Purpose Driven Life. This is our Progressive Period. During this period, we must do three things.

1. Don't forget to read one chapter a day of Purpose Driven Life 40 Days. Every chapter is about 4-6 pages long. Reap the meaning of each chapter. Don't get greedy by reading more than one chapter a day. Only one chapter a day is sufficient.

2. Every week, join a small group. Different small groups meet in different time and place. Regardless of which day of the week, as long as we are willing to share our insights in our small groups, will help you to focus your thoughts and help you understand the Sunday sermon better.

3. Join our Sunday Worship Service each week. Each week our pastor will share with us a condensed version of past 7 days of reading. For 6 weeks, each week we will memorize one verse. During Sunday worship service, we will memorize the verse together. We will also learn two theme songs. One will be traditional hymn. Another will be contemporary praise song. We can memorize them so we can sing it anywhere and anytime. It can become our spiritual companion and encouragement in life.

Through 1) reading one chapter a day, 2) small group discussions, 3) Sunday Worship, 4) memorization verse, 5) theme songs, I believe you will reap a great harvest.

During this period, if a new friend wants to join a small group, they are welcomed to do so. This is one opportunity that our church can group spiritually together. After all that is said and done, what is left is prayer. Prayer is the most important thing to do. Pray for Purpose Driven Life 40 Days. Pray for yourself, your small group members, for new friends to join a small group. Give thanks to God that He will shine His glory on your life.

六週需要背誦經文：

第1週：以弗所書2：10 我們原是他的工作、在基督耶穌裡造成的、為要叫我們行善、就是 神所豫備叫我們行的。

第2週：馬可福音12：30 你要盡心、盡性、盡意、盡力、愛主你的 神。

第3週：羅馬書12：5 我們這許多人、在基督裡成爲一身、互相聯絡作肢體、也是如此。

第4週：腓立比書2：5 你們當以基督耶穌的心爲心。

第5週：彼得前書4：10 各人要照所得的恩賜彼此服事、作神百般恩賜的好管家。

第6週：歌羅西書4：5 你們要愛惜光陰、用智慧與外人交往。

兩首詩歌：

1. 願主榮美在我彰顯（在本堂詩歌本，同來頌揚92首）

願主耶穌的榮美在我彰顯，表明主愛心，聖潔，奇妙恩典，

主你至聖至善，將我本性精鍊，直到耶穌的榮美在我彰顯。

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me, all His Wonderful passion and purity!

O thou Spirit divine, All my nature refine, Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

2. 勸 Advice

不要像流星流浪天邊，不要像浮萍漂浮水面，他們不問方向如何分辨，剎那間，蹤影就消失不見。

你可知道在那永恆世界，信主的人享受永生無限，你我生命不是雲煙，不是爲偶然出現。（2次）

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〈其他教會的分享經歷〉

編者在標竿人生網站上看到許多教會成功興奮的經歷，在此節錄一些鼓勵我們的姐姐，但願標竿人生40天的活動也爲我們每一個人帶來更充實的人生目標，更像主，並實踐神在我們身上的計劃。

宣道會西環堂

我們有不同的小組：有宗教教育小組，也有一些家庭小組，還舉行讀書計劃。在家庭小組中，有一組是很特別的。那裡有很多新信的弟兄姊妹，帶了很多沒信的人來。他們不斷的做見證，於是那些新來的朋友，不斷的要再來，每次都不願離去。有時候，他們一直開小組，要到凌晨十二點鐘才離開…很多人都留下來，都捨不得走。

葵盛浸信會

「標竿40天」讓教會很多的弟兄姊妹開始熱切地靈修。這是一個大的收獲。有的夫婦，到了十二點多都還說「喂，不行哦，你今天看了沒有啊？」「一起看完才睡覺。」這是一種群體的壓力，養成一個靈修的習慣是一件好事。同時，開展了一個共通的語言：「如果你有苦難，你看看32吧；如果你正生弟兄的氣，那就看看27啦。」這樣有一個共通的語言，大家就知道是怎麼回事。其實這樣對教會的生活是相當好的，這樣會解決到很多嫌隙、衝突、或者是負面的事情。