

My Life Statements

As you complete the life statements below, feel free to take any of the sample life statements or write your own

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If we can help in any way, please send your Life Statements to sheena@newlife-internationalchurch.org. They will be treated confidentially

Partnering with New Life

Developing Your Personal Life Statement

Twelve month personal development

Ideas for your 'Life Statement'

Where is God Leading Me?

Trust GOD from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for GOD's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track. Proverbs 3:5-6 (The Message)

Life purpose statements are steps of faith in each area of your life in which you feel God moving you to either **be** (character development) or **do** (role deployment), and you know you could not fulfil them without Him.

Think of these statements as opportunities to become all that God has made you to be so that you can bless Him with your life.

There are four main areas of your life for which you will develop life statements: personal, spiritual, vocational, relational.

Personal Life This is the area of self; Character, Core Values, Strengths, Weaknesses, Hobbies, Health, Rest, Diet, etc.

Spiritual Life This is the area of your faith; Service, Stewardship, Prayer, Evangelism, Worship, and Life Purpose.

Functioning Life This is the area of your career/work/specialties; From Marketplace member to Homemaker.

Relational Life This is the area of fellowship; Friends, Family, Parenting, Marriage, Dating, Community.

Please don't rush. Take the time to reflect and prayerfully craft each statement. Have fun and take big steps of faith!

Sample Life Statements

You may find the following samples helpful in thinking about your life and the things you feel God is moving you to be and do for His glory.

Preparing the church for eventual succession.

"We are only God's co-workers. You are God's garden, not ours; you are God's building, not ours." 1 Corinthians 3:9 (LB)

COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Encourage New Life and other churches we connect with to encounter and release the Kingdom of God by developing resources for churches and serving churches we relate with.

"David served God's purpose in his own generation..." Acts 13:6 (LB)

Encourage pastors.

"Encourage each other to build each other up." 1 Thessalonians 5:11 (LB)

SAMPLE 4

FUNCTIONING

Fulfilling my call and using my gifts in my now, or wherever He might place me.

"Live a life worthy of the calling you have received." Ephesians 4:1 (LB)

"God has given me the wonderful privilege of telling everyone about this plan of His; and he has given me His power and special ability to do it well." Ephesians 3:7 (LB)

Leading by example and empowering people for their ministry.

"Don't be a tyrant, but lead by your good example, and when the Head Shepherd comes; your reward will be a never-ending share in His glory." 1 Peter 5:3-4 (LB)

"Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith." Hebrews 13:7 (NIV)

"Keep a critical eye both upon your own life and on the teaching you give...and you will not only save your own soul, but the souls of your hearers as well." 1 Timothy 4:16 (Ph)

Feeding and loving the people under my care.

"Feed the flock of God; care for it willingly, not grudgingly; not for what you will get out of it but because you are eager to serve the Lord" 1 Peter 5:2 (LB)

"If I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel but didn't love others, it would be of no value whatever" 1 Corinthians 3:9 (LB)

Thinking about a life development process to help the people I care for become all God meant them to be

"Why is it that He gives us these special abilities to do certain things best? It is that God's people will be equipped to do better work for Him, building up the Church, the body of Christ, to a position of strength and maturity." Ephesians 4:12 (LB)

SAMPLE 1

Personal Life

I feel God moving me to reorganise my priorities in my life so in a year from today I will have at least 10 hours a week to invest in God's Kingdom.

I feel God moving me to overcome a dysfunctional habit that is robbing me of the future He has for me.

I feel God moving me to be an honest person and stop lying, cheating, and stealing.

Spiritual Life

I feel God moving me to share my faith with my neighbours.

I feel God moving me to fall deeper in love with who God has made me to be, so He can replace my current level of frustration with His fulfilment.

I feel God moving me to develop a passionate prayer life.

Vocational Life

I feel God moving me to find a fulfilling vocation that will express who God has made me to be at least 80% of the time.

I feel God moving me to help my employees develop servant hearts.

I feel God moving me to develop a transitional plan to leave my current career and use my talents and identity in a more fulfilling one.

Relational Life

I feel God moving me to mend my broken relationship with my father.

I feel God moving me to spend quality time with each of my children...1 hour a week of 1-on-1 time.

I feel God moving me to meet the needs of my spouse unselfishly.

SAMPLE 2

PERSONAL: WHAT DO I WANT TO BE (Character)

MY LIFE MISSION: What is success for me?

Knowing God as my best friend

"Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence Him. With them alone He shares the secrets of his promises." Psalm 25:14 (LB)

"Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding" Proverbs 9:10 (LB)

"Some people have missed the most important thing in life--they don't know God" 1 Timothy 6:21 (LB)

Becoming like Christ in character and values

"For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him...should become like His Son" Romans 8:29 (LB)

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus" Philippians 2:5 (LB)

Developing and using the abilities God gave me

"Christ has given each of us special abilities--whatever He wants us to have out of His rich storehouse of gifts" Ephesians 4:7 (LB)

"If the axe is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed but skill will bring success" Ecclesiastes 10:10 (LB)

Maintaining my health and energy to do God's will

"... praying... that your body is as healthy as I know your soul is" 3 John 2 (LB)

Being wise and balanced

"Getting wisdom is the most important thing you can do!.. If you exalt wisdom, she will exalt you." Proverbs 4:7-8 (LB)

"Wisdom will make the hours of your day more profitable and the years of your life more fruitful" Proverbs 9:11 (LB)

"A relaxed mind makes for physical health" Proverbs 14:30 (Berkley)

SAMPLE 3

MY FAMILY

Having those that know me best, respect me most

"I will try to walk a blameless path, but how I need your help, especially in my own home, where I long to act as I should." Psalm 101:2 (LB)

"It is a wonderful heritage to have an honest father." Psalm 20:7 (LB)

Meeting my partner's needs so well that they never look elsewhere

"Show the same kind of love to your wife as Christ showed to the Church when He died for her" Ephesians 5:25 (LB)

"Be careful of your wife, being thoughtful of her needs and honouring her...Remember that you and your wife are partners receiving God's blessings, and if you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not get ready answers" 1 Peter 3:7 (LB)

"Honour your marriage and its vows, and be pure" Hebrews 13:4 (LB)

When my children leave home, they will ...

- love God with all their hearts
- have Biblical convictions about right & wrong
- have high self-esteem and feel loved
- have identified their gifts and life purpose

"Don't keep on scolding and nagging your children, making them angry and resentful. Rather, bring them up with the loving discipline of the Lord Himself approves, with suggestions and godly advice." Ephesians 6:4 (LB)

Honouring my parents, by caring for them in old age as they did for us growing up.

"...kindness should begin at home, supporting needy parents. This is something that pleases God very much." 1 Timothy 5:4 (LB)

"If you honour your father and mother, yours will be a long life, full of blessing." Ephesians 6:3 (LB)