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# GOD SURPRISES WITH A MASTERMIND MOM

By Josie L.



In this article, Josie L. shares about how God used her sovereign foundations of her mother insisting that she play piano from a young age to further His purposes for the world as a young adult. Step by step Josie found herself being guided first into a transforming relationship with Jesus, and then becoming involved with worship and missions ministry. The latest phase of her life integration has recently launched her into a missions mobilizer role with Worship Foundations International (WFI). Josie has served on the WCC PC and EC for the past two years (WCC 2008-2010).

**Spiritual foundation** ∞ My mom taught me a lot of useful information. She was the one who told me a man named Jesus had God for a father and Mary for a mother, died on a cross, and rose three days later. I honestly do not remember a time not knowing the Gospel story or not believing it was true.

Although my mother was not a Christian at the time (she is now!), she was educated by British nuns in Hong Kong and knew the cool Bible stories about David, Daniel, and the other heroes in chapter 11 of Hebrews.

Watching Charlton Heston as Moses in *The Ten Commandments* on television brings back fond childhood memories of our family sitting in the bonus room upstairs. By the time our neighbors introduced us to VBS and youth fellowship, I knew all the “right” answers without actually being a Christian!

**Musical foundation** ∞ She was the one who taught me to play the piano (and told me how much I would thank her for it later). She was also the one who told me not to

practice cartwheels right after I eat and that one day I would like boys. Of course, I did not appreciate most of her wisdom at the time she shared it with me. I also do not remember a time I did not know how to play the piano. Memories here are not so fond. Annual tests, practicing each song



three times, and a botched duet with my sister during a recital are among a few of my not-so-favorite things. Watching *The Sound of Music* was a Thanksgiving tradition, but I thought it was a bit long and not as exciting as the miraculous adventures of Moses. By the time I graduated from high school, I was ready to quit piano and was *not* thankful she “made me” spend

14 years learning that skill. (However, I am now!)

**In the potter’s hands** ∞ I finally received Christ as Savior and Lord the summer before my senior year of high school. It was not a dramatic conversion, but it was a real one. The transformation was subtle, but it has not stopped. On the surface, I was still the quiet and active one, but God was already beginning a work in me. Within the first year of college, I had been mysteriously identified as a worship leader in our campus fellowship group — not because I could lead worship, but because I had a musical background.

Even without any experience, I was asked to be a vocalist for a guest worship leader and a soloist at a few functions. Friends began to teach me *continued on page 3 -*

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the basics of how to play a guitar. As long as it did not involve 88 black and white keys, I was up for a new musical challenge. By my second year of college, God brought me back to those 88 keys, and I was surprised to find I enjoyed playing them! I suspect He knew all along how those annual tests I dreaded would be instrumental

(☺) in preparing me for what was to come. Beyond the music, though, God was awakening my heart and spirit to His purposes. Through leadership roles in fellowship groups, I “had to” step beyond my shy-and-quiet identity to initiate conversations with

people I did not know. In doing this, He set a personal foundation for me to explore His mission to redeem His creation. He did such a good job of changing me that my mom, during my first summer break at home, commented with some surprise, “You’re different now. You talk more and you laugh more.”

Prior to her return to Southeast Asia, we shared a Perspectives class where we discussed how a short-term music ministry trip would be a perfect Great Commission fit for her country. In 2008, an Internet search for musical mission trips landed me on the Worship Foundations website, and the rest is history. Within three months, our team was on a plane to India and Southeast Asia for eight

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**Music and missions** ✨ In 2008, God pulled the greatest surprise (to date) on me. After 15 years employment as a graphic designer and logging many short-term mission trips, He placed me as a missions mobilizer with Worship Foundations International (WFI). It all began at a “random” conversation with a friend in 2004.

weeks of musical mission. I was awed by how God arranged my life for that missional strategy.

Upon my return, I found God had “ruined me for life as usual.” A conversation with the WFI president “planted a seed” that grew quickly into a position as WFI’s coordinator of Global Impact. God has been dropping hints from the start to let me know this is the turn my life could take. He used even seemingly unrelated experiences to develop skills, understanding, and values that have shaped my role in making disciples of all nations (including our own!).

My mom had (and still has) some great words of wisdom to pass on, but she never told me God could be so “sneaky” or have such a great sense of humor. He never ceases to surprise me with His designs for us. 🙏



*Sing-along during India trip*



*A needed bass player (center) from a partner church in Southeast Asia.*

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Dear WCF community,

Happy 25th Anniversary WCC! God continues to show up at this conference in allowing each conferee to progress further along in their World Christian journey. For some, it's catching the vision of God's global heart for the world for the first time. For others, it's integrating that knowledge into their hearts. And for still others, it's struggling with and overcoming the barriers and bondages that prevent them from putting faith finally into action.

One of the things I love about the conference is that it allows people to enter into a like-minded community to minister to and receive from one another as they seek to join God in His global purposes. This March issue includes some testimonials from WCC 2010 and post-conference tips. The other two articles in this issue are also "voices"

from fellow sojourners of this like-minded community. Leon C. shares about how God challenged his preconceptions of Africa through visiting Mozambique while Josie L. reflects about the converging of her sovereign foundations with God's missional purposes.

Special thanks goes to Stan P. who contributed his graphic layout talent for this issue of *Voices of the Movement!* If you noticed some design changes in this issue (and hopefully in future ones), now you know why. Thanks to God for enabling us to publish another month's issue, with Stan's help.



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## PRAYER: THE FUEL OF THE MOVEMENT

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*"Let these prayers of the saints be sweet smelling incense to Your heart."* — Matt Redman



By Esther W.

**REDWOOD CHRISTIAN PARK,  
BOULDER CREEK, Calif.,**

**February 15, 2010** — Close to 300 brothers and sisters gathered together over the President's Day holiday weekend to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the World Christian Conference, "NOW: Testify to Nations. Anticipate the King." Plenary speakers Donna Dong, Pastor John Lo, and Wayne inspired conferees with provocative messages that illuminated this year's theme. Each person also wove in anecdotes from the 36-year history of the World Christian Fellowship while renewing the vision for future progress in world missions. In addition, the conference featured 11 workshops, 34 ministry



Plenary speaker Pastor John Lo

# Voices

## FROM WCC 2010

consultants, 11 ministry exhibits, and dozens of small discussion and prayer groups.

Donna Dong reminisced joyously about the work of pioneering Asian-American Christians that began in the mid-1900s. She described faithful women and men who formed our collective missional heritage. A few women served God internationally through Inter-varsity Christian Fellowship and became her inspiration.

Pastor John Lo challenged conferees to deal with common Asian-American bondages such as the over-desiring of comfort, self-reliance, and safety (also known as an antibacterial existence), controlling or over-planning, and people-pleasing. He asserted that God wants to do in us what He wants to do through us. During this plenary session, Pastor John Lo guided conferees to repent of these sins and curses and receive healing prayer from the WCF community of ministers. Many conferees waited in lines for prayer while others stayed seated, writing quietly.

On the last day, Wayne wrapped up the weekend by highlighting the voices of past alumni through their

testimonies and words of wisdom to the conferees.

In addition, WCC alumni who have served overseas with their families testified about God's hand in their World Christian journeys. Soul-stirring, songs brought voices, music, and hands together in humble and joyful worship. A parade of multitudes (conferees) dressed in ethnic clothing and bearing colorful flags in a candle lighting ceremony symbolized the "light of the Gospel" being brought to every tribe, tongue, people on earth.

"The ceremony was a glorious picture of people groups redeemed through the Word," commented a 5th-time WCC attendee. "It was a partial picture, though, because many more people groups have yet to hear about God's Good News.

All in all, it was an intense weekend that left many conferees with much to process for their World Christian journeys.

***The World Christian Movement is alive and well and on the next page are some voices captured in quotes at WCC 2010. ►►***

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**“Don’t wait until you’re in your 50s to follow God’s call on your life. Step into the adventure.”**

“You need to export your product (WCC) to other places so that you can mobilize other Asian-Americans!”

“God healed my heart some more and clarified my vision. He showed me that I can only pass on what I’ve experienced of His love, grace, and goodness. It is possible to take the Kingdom forcefully even when I am still broken. I learned that I can prepare to go and yet be willing to stay even though my life is not ‘all together.’”

**“The members of the WCF prayer ministry helped me to pray and it was really touching. God told me to be brave even when I have fear. I need to obey our Lord’s Word wholeheartedly.”**

“I learned new ways to be hospitable to others (particularly people who are unlike me) and possible bondage that prevents me from living freely in Christ.”



Top photo, above left and center: Various conferees in small groups. Right: Plenary speaker Donna Dong



**“I was freed from the bondages of striving for comfort, control, and ‘saving face’. The worship was intense and from our hearts. I have refocused on the love of Jesus so that I can spread that love into the world.”**

**“In a workshop led by a certified addictions counselor, I learned that co-dependency is rooted in sinfulness. This realization made me even more aware of how sinfulness causes me to seek fulfillment in other people rather than in God.”**

“Coming to WCC this year confirmed that if I cannot even obey Him at work (by gathering Christians to pray) in a more comfortable environment, how will I ever obey Him overseas?”

“My husband and I had so much to process together on multiple levels after this year’s WCC! This year God allowed me to experience two major breakthroughs. One was finally losing much of the fear that has gripped me for many years and to ‘count all things as lost’, in death, in order to embrace whatever future God has in store for us -- overseas missions, adoption, or something else entirely. The second was gaining a deeper understanding of what it means to minister to others from my ‘being’ as an integrated person -- helping to overcome a ‘martha vs. mary’ tug of war that I have also had for many years.”

**“How good it is to be in the company of those who share the same passion at WCC. The community here is a rich blessing. I am encouraged to live in greater faith.”** 🙏



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## INITIAL AVOIDANCE OF AFRICA TURNS TO AFFECTION

By: Leon C.



**A school teacher at private Christian and public schools for more than 10 years, Leon C. is currently studying to earn a certification in special education. His first mission trip to Africa has helped him replace prior thoughts and images of the continent with a true, eternal vision.**

**Preconceptions** 😊 When I heard the word “Africa” it was a place I wanted to avoid. A vast and mysterious place that seemed too foreign for me to visit. A place I never thought I would go to and fall in love with.

In Mozambique and Zimbabwe, located in southeastern Africa, I saw a beautiful scenic land. I saw people walking along the road smiling, waving back as we waved back to them; happy children, playing, and going to school; women carrying things on their heads and going about their daily business. All the images of a normal society.

**Tragedies of society** 😞 However, all was not as it seemed. God showed me the great tragedy in Mozambique and Zimbabwe. As part of this short-term mission, my team of seven followed the local volunteers as we visited individuals in their homes. They were either ill, widows, or

orphans. On one visit, I saw a woman who was so thin, fragile, and weak that she struggled even to talk to us. She explained the lengthiness of her great pain and showed us her medication. She described her family and some of her children who are away. We prayed for her and her family.

On another visit, we saw a man lying on the ground by his home. His wife was working in the fields while some of his children were elsewhere. He showed an x-ray of his body and said he could not afford the operation needed to help the problem. We also prayed for him and his family.

**Life of children** 😊 On another part of the mission trip, we supported “Orphan Recreation Day” at two orphan centers in Gondola and Nhamatanda. The first center had served more than 100 youths without parents while the other reached out to 300. It was overwhelming to see so many orphans, but the children were so happy to see us! The team performed a skit on the message of the Gospel and I shared my testimony of salvation in Christ. We played with the children and everyone was having fun! We felt great joy in seeing children play so cheerfully.

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*Leon C. with his team members.*

## INITIAL AVOIDANCE OF AFRICA TURNS TO AFFECTION

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At the second center, I was also blessed to witness the borehole/water well to which my church had supported financially was finally completed and in working condition. The well will provide essential fresh water for many people at the center and in the local community. We prayed that this well would bless their daily lives.

**Depravity of man** 😊 In my short stay of two weeks, my faith was challenged and renewed. I questioned God about the situations that led to severe illnesses, orphan hood, and widowhood, but then I realized that I needed to repent for the causes are not of God but due to sin. Sin such as greed, deceit, and selfish ambition, that even I am guilty of daily. I concluded that I needed to humble myself before Him and depend on Him evermore.

Mozambique and Zimbabwe are countries in great need. I saw firsthand the work of Christ building a better future and giving the local people, many of whom are widows and orphans, true hope. My prayer is that people will ultimately put their hope and trust in Christ.

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*Near Gondola and Nhamatanda missionary center in Mozambique*

**The following Bible verses came to mind during my visit:**

**James 1:27**, "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

**John 3:16**, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him, shall not perish but have eternal life."

**Matthew 28:19-20**, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." 🙏

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Seminar Coordinators

**Vision and purposes** ♦ The purposes of the World Christian Fellowship (WCF) include equipping, activating, networking, and partnering with individual Asian-American World Christians and those who identify closely with the Asian-American worldview, and their churches. To this aim, WCF hopes to host more regional one-day seminars with relevant workshop content throughout the year in addition to the annual World Christian Conference (WCC).

**Seminar coordinators wanted** ♦ WCF is looking for regional seminar coordinators in both Northern and Southern California. If you are looking for an opportunity to serve God through the WCF movement and have gifts and talents in the areas of event planning, marketing, and networking please contact us at [info@wcfellowship.org](mailto:info@wcfellowship.org).

### Grant Writer And Accountant

**Vision and purposes** ♦ World Christian Fellowship (WCF) is committed to fiduciary standards that are above reproach and continuously strive to develop and improve the organization's financial and financial resource systems.

**Accountant and grant writer: help wanted** ♦ If God has gifted you with experience and talent in the area of accounting/finance or in research/grant writing AND you believe in the vision of WCF of mobilizing more Asian-American Christians for God's global purposes, please consider serving in one of these two areas. If you are interested in serving as an accountant or grant writer for WCF, please contact [info@wcfellowship.org](mailto:info@wcfellowship.org)

## WCF PURPOSES

The purposes of **World Christian Fellowship (WCF)** are to challenge and empower individual Christians and churches to:

- **Equip** committed Asian-American World Christians and World Christians who closely identify with the Asian-American worldview who are active disciples and evangelists for the nations, both in local and overseas ministry.
- **Activate** these individuals and churches to the nations through prayer, training, guidance, and support.
- **Facilitate** teamwork and networking among individuals, churches, and other organizations with a World Christian vision.
- **Partner** with other organizations and networks with complementary objectives so that we as World Christians can unite towards the goal of building up the universal body of Christ.

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# So You Went To WCC This Year?

By Charles W.

**How was it?** I heard it was really great. Now a month has passed since the conference. Your life has probably settled back down to a predictable routine. So, has your life changed as the result of WCC 2010? Has it made tangible differences in your life? How?

Whether or not you are making visible progress, you will likely agree that making real, lasting changes is very difficult. For this reason, I want to share some insights that I believe will facilitate spiritual transformation in your life; present some tools to help you process and reflect; and provide some practical steps for first timers for whom the whole concept of a "World Christian" is still somewhat foreign. Alumni can also benefit from these tips.



## Some Insights about Spiritual Transformation

### *De-clutter your life*

Real change is impossible if no margin exists in your life for solitude, contemplation, and prayer. Deep transformation starts from the "inside out", and without time and space – physical and mental – to spend with the Lord, any effort will be short lived. Most of us are way too busy. (See Psalm 46:10; Isaiah 30:15a)

### *Match your rhythm of life*

Understand your rhythm of life and establish a plan that fits it. Different rhythms are needed for the various kinds of lifestyle pace and quality of inner life. Set aside time hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually to work on spiritual transformation, and start with what makes sense to you now. Higher frequency events need lower intensity or else you will burn out. (See Ecclesiastes 3:1)

### *Find a community*

To live and thrive in a community, you need three types of relationship – a Paul, a Timothy, and a Barnabas. You've

probably heard of this concept already. You want someone older to learn from, someone younger to influence, and a peer for mutual encouragement. (See John 13:35, Galatians 6:1-5)

### *Live by grace*

When you find yourself stressed out trying to maintain a certain standard or reach a self-imposed goal, it's time to back off and remember why you are doing this. Living by faith also means living by grace and believing that God will finish His work in you. (See Ephesians 1:1-14, 2:8-9, Philippians 1:6)



*Remember what you prayed about at the conference.*

## Some Tools to Help You Process and Reflect

### *Be still and be loved*

Before letting our pervasive performance-driven culture conform you to commit to life-transforming disciplines, start by focusing on what God has done in your life so far. This is a proper place to begin all of our endeavors. The point of this reflection is to recapture our first love and avoid the performance trap that is driven by guilt or obligation. Remember, "inside-out" transformation begins with knowing and experiencing God's love for you. Here are some questions to guide your meditation:

- *How did the Gospel reach you?*
  
- *Who did God use to shape you into the person that you are today?*
  
- *In what ways has God loved you?  
How have you experienced His love?*

Stay in this place of awesome wonder of God's love for you as long as you need until your heart is filled with love and gratitude.

### *Life Wheel Centered on Lordship*

Using the wheel in Figure 2 and assign each section a category that when considered as a whole represents your total person. For example, some categories are: *Career/School, Health, Finance, Significant Other/Romance, Family/Children, Parents, Friends, Ministry, Recreation/Leisure, etc.*

Assess yourself in each category by asking the question, *Is Jesus truly the Lord of this area, \_\_\_\_\_, (fill in the blank) in my life?* The center of the wheel has a value of 0 (least submissive to His Lordship) and the outer edge 10 (most submissive). Shade in the slice of each area to where you think you are. Draw a new outer edge by connecting all the numbered assessments on the wheel. (See Fig. 1)

This new outer perimeter serves as a visual of your life in terms of the Lordship of Jesus. It might look bumpy at first, but work on making your wheel as round and as big as you can.

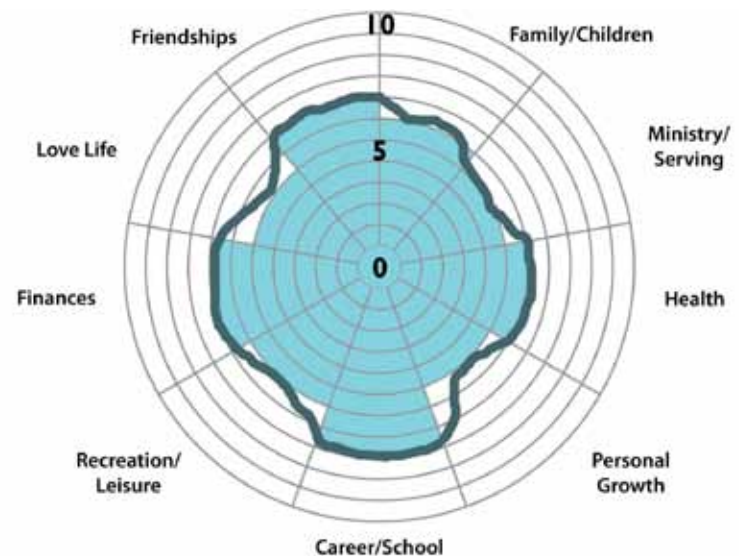


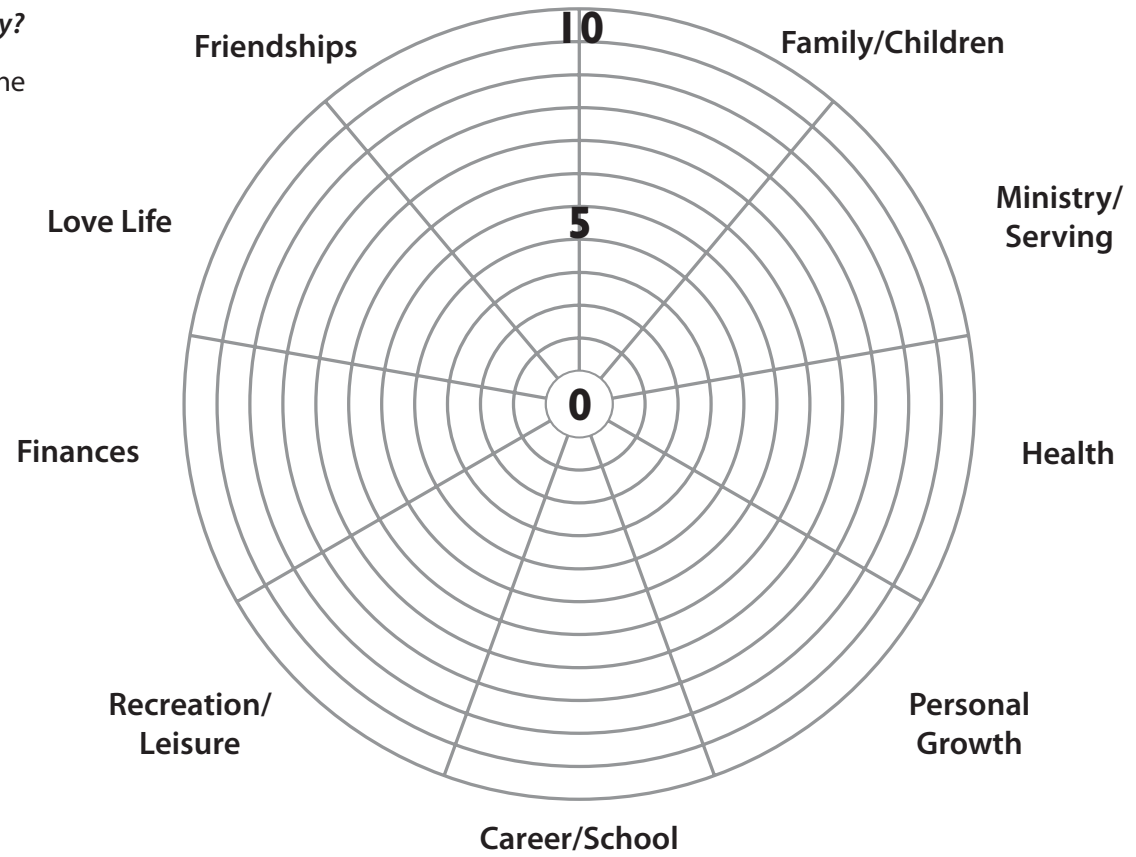
Fig. 1: Example of a completed life wheel. The wheel will look bumpy at first, but we are to work on getting it as round and big as we can.

**Hone into a category and ask yourself these questions:**

- What does greater Lordship look like in this area \_\_\_\_\_  
(fill in the blank)?
- What is the blockage?
- What do I need to repent of?  
How can I live differently?

The larger and rounder the wheel, the faster and smoother the ride! Use Pastor John Lo's grid (pictured below) to help you examine core issues and work on confessing, repenting, and declaring the opposite. This is essential to restoring your Spirit-filled life in Christ.

Fig. 2: Print out and complete your Life Wheel focused on the Lordship of Christ. Feel free to rename categories to better represent your life.



Blockage	Specifics	Repent of	Meant for
<b>Comfort</b>	E.g., want to be in nice places	Bowing to fear of suffering	Being with the least of these
<b>Self-Reliance</b>	E.g., want to do it my way	Fear of dependence	Freedom from worry & perfectionism; See God do stuff
<b>Safety</b>	E.g., antibacterial or helicopter living	Fear of being contaminated	Invasive salt & light of the Gospel living
<b>Control/Order</b>	E.g., having to know everything and planning it out	Fear of lack of control	Trusting to follow God and taking risks
<b>People-pleasing</b>	E.g., fear of men	Wanting to please people all the time	Freedom to obey God and look foolish; courageous leadership

Fig. 4

### Life Wheel Centered on Worship

This is the same exercise as before except that now the assessment is centered on worship. The reason I have designed two exercises it that there’s an important mental shift that needs to occur to propel us to the next step of maturity, and some of us may be ready to engage at that level. The concept of lordship tends to have a more passive and restrictive connotation whereas worship implies a more proactive and freeing tone. This second exercise of the wheel of life centered on worship is meant to facilitate that shift and help us see the subtle and yet very significant difference.

This life wheel centered on worship evaluates how intentional and strategic you are in leveraging these same areas of your life to live “before the Lord” and “among the nations”. This exercise forces you to think about how you may worship God with the whole person (Colossians 3:23). More than just obedience, God wants our passion, our creativity, and our total involvement to live freely for Him! (See Philippians 4:17; Galatians 5:1; II Thessalonians 1:11).

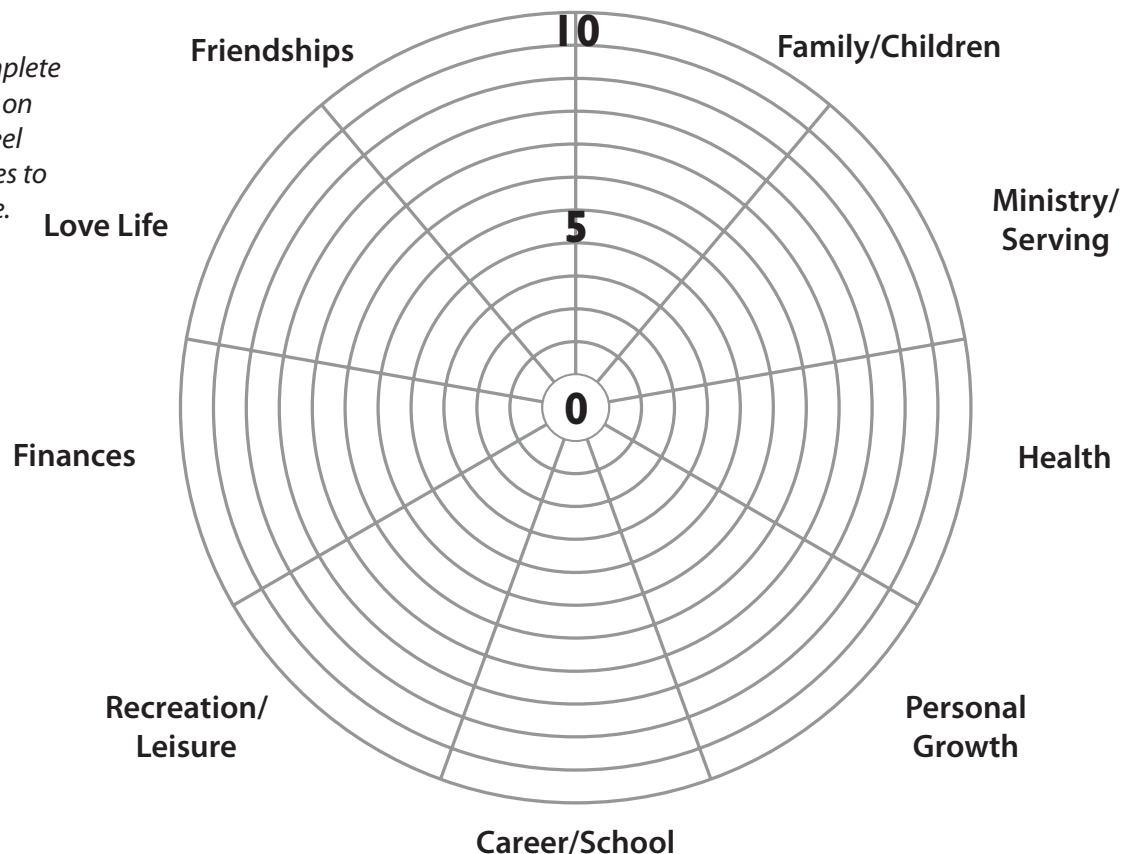
**Ask yourself these questions:**

**What does greater intentionality and strategic vision look like in this area \_\_\_\_\_?**

**What is keeping me from leveraging this area \_\_\_\_\_ of my life fully for God’s purposes?**

May this exercise help you dream big for God, say bold prayers, and get ready to testify His faithfulness when He opens the doors!

Fig. 3: Print out and complete your Life Wheel focused on the Worship of Christ. Feel free to rename categories to better represent your life.



# “NOW” STEPS

## FOR THE WORLD CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

We'd like to hear from you on your experiences with these exercises.

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### 1. Get and stay informed

- Take the Perspectives course
- Subscribe to the following:
  - *WCF Newsletter*
  - *Mission Frontiers*
  - *Global Prayer Digest*

### 3. Just do it!

Cultivate a habit of action and immediate obedience. Start with the fundamentals that you already know are His will. If we don't respond to God in what has already been revealed, why should we expect God to provide additional details to guide us personally? Start by looking for opportunities to evangelize, disciple, and mobilize for these are the things that we all should do regardless of what exact roles we play in God's plan. Beware of the tendency to overly try to perfect your plan of action, which is one of the best weapons the enemy has to paralyze and neutralize our acts of faith. **Just do it.**

### 2. Get inspired

- Join a regional prayer group. If there's none near you, then consider starting one yourself! Email the editor for additional resources for forming a prayer group near you.
- Find others (e.g. a person or people you met at WCC or in the WCF community, someone at your church, a life coach, a counselor, a friend, or family member) that you can talk regularly with about your reflections and journeying process.
- Read biographies of missionaries (a few listed here)\*\*
  - Hudson Taylor  
*(Hudson Taylor's Spiritual Secret)*
  - Amy Carmichael *(A Chance to Die)*
  - Jim Elliot *(Shadow of the Almighty, Through Gates of Splendor)*
- Read other books to deepen your inner life:
  - *The Life You've Always Wanted* by John Ortberg
  - *The Spirit of Disciplines* by Dallas Willard
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