

Chosen by God

With His love and grace, God has chosen me to become his child.

I just respond to His calling. I am willing to trust and follow Him.

I joined the church through participating in a young people's fellowship upon my friend's invitation. I am an optimistic person and my life has been pretty smooth. It seems unnecessary for me to have any religious beliefs as a spiritual support. One day, experienced members in the church discussed "sins" with me. He asked me, "Do you have sins?" I thought, "I didn't do anything bad, nor did I offend anyone. Why should I have sins?" He also told me, "Sins not only include the visible behavior, but also those invisible thoughts such as greed and pride. The biggest sin in our faith is non-belief." At that time, I started seriously thinking about this belief. I prayed to God about my weaknesses and incapability. Amazingly, the Spirit of joy and peace came to my heart! Soon, in June 1989, I was baptized.

In July 1990, I attended a special evangelistic meeting. A sister shared her evangelistic work in the third world. I was greatly touched. At that time, my tears kept falling from my eyes. I thought of my relatives who had not converted, as well as thousands and thousands of those in the world who had not converted. So I responded to God's calling to full time service. Two years later, I entered the seminary.

I never thought of joining The Salvation Army. When I first met my husband Peter, he was already serving in the field, and I was also giving full time service in the church. Later, I prayed that God would give us the same aspiration of service. Three months after we got married, God opened up a door and we both had the opportunity to join The Salvation Army, serving the Puli Youth Services Centre.

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