

SEND YOUNG PEOPLE OUT FOR MISSION

by Isaac Goh (Principal)

This year, Micah Centre, which focuses on cross-cultural discipleship, welcomed its 6th intake. Over the past 5 years, we have discipled 33 trainees. God called them to Micah Centre to learn and experience cross-cultural missions, infusing their lives with the "Mission DNA".

There are 5 graduates who have committed themselves to cross-cultural missions, mainly serving Indigenous people in Sabah rural area. Another 10 graduates chose to study in seminaries to prepare for full-time ministry.

God has called 6 young people to enrol this year. We recruited two young Indigenous people this year who are the Indigenous youth we met at our inland mission work in Sabah these recent years.

I still remember there was one afternoon when I ministered in an Indigenous village, I saw a group of young people playing sport. At that moment, God moved me. He showed me that not only the youth from Chinese churches will be equipped for mission but God also wants to raise up more young people among the Indigenous churches to be equipped to become Christ's mission army.



Today both Chinese churches and Indigenous churches face the same crisis - losing the younger generation. We do everything we can to retain them, even by employing entertaining element programs to capture their hearts. But the world offers more variety of entertaining activities everyday, thus the church will definitely fail to satisfy the demands of young people in this regard.

**Hence, I suggest to you one of the easiest and most effective ways:
Send them out.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I tell you to look, and you will see that the fields are ripe and ready to harvest." (John 4:35). Therefore, I call upon the church to send the youth out to see and experience the needs of this world, to see the lost souls, to understand the heart of God in mission, and to find the true meaning of life - that is, to fulfil the mission of the Lord. The best gift we can offer to our young people is not to keep them by our side, nor to content ourselves by keeping them in the church, but to give them a mission in life just as the Lord Jesus did to the church - to make disciples of all nations.

This generation of youth is quick at learning new things and can adapt easily to cross-culture environments. What they need most is not our provision of more knowledge or information but the giving of a mission to them to transform the lives of others, and then they will transform the world.

Micah Centre has been established with its mission to train and send more young people out, so that they see the fields are white for harvest, and they would be willing to respond to the Lord, "Here I am. Send me!"

Let's send our young people out for mission to fulfil the commission of our Lord Jesus Christ.



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On 1st June 2023, Micah Centre's 6th cross-cultural discipleship training commenced, with 4 Chinese youths and 2 Sabah Indigenous youths enrolled. This is the first time Micah Centre has recruited both Chinese and Indigenous trainees to learn and be equipped together in our discipleship training. I believe that this is a new undertaking from God, asking us to step out of our comfort zone to experience His grace.

Micah Training focuses on life-shaping. In addition to classroom learning, we also incorporate a unique daily schedule and spiritual disciplines, such as Bible reading, prayer, devotion, worship, and solitude into their training. We hope this will help the trainees to establish a solid foundation of life and faith before embarking on the journey of cross-cultural mission. The trainings include:

1. Spiritual Discipline

A fruitful morning would be a good start for the day, dawn is therefore the best time for trainees to spend time with God. Through regular devotion and Bible study, trainees would absorb God's word in great amounts. Not only does this help in the spiritual formation, it also allows the Holy Spirit to shape their hearts and minds through God's words. "Private Prayer Time" is also assigned to each trainee to practice solitude and listen to God's voice. We also have group spiritual practices such as congregational worship, fasting and prayer, and intercession.

2. Servanthood Service

Everyone in Micah Centre has to learn to serve others. This involves both the co-workers and trainees. The works includes cleaning, cooking, farming, leading worship, and buying groceries. They might not like all of the chores, yet they still learn to serve humbly.

3. Discipline and Simplicity

Trainees are trained to live a disciplined and simple lifestyle during the training period. They learn to foster an early-to-bed and early-to-rise routine. Trainees also learn to make their beds, do their laundry, and keep their rooms tidy and clean. We also place great importance on the manners of trainees, hence providing specific guidance in both etiquette and hospitality.

4. Fellowship in Love

During training, co-workers and trainees live together in Micah Centre surrounded by nature, hence we have the opportunity to get to know each other up close, and close the gaps between us. At times, everyone is like friends, playing together and sharing with each other; other times, the trainees do remember their identities and roles, knowing how to respect the co-workers and follow the instructions.





5. Life Mentorship

Through one-on-one life mentorship, we can establish mentor-mentee relationships, and also follow up with and care about the lives of trainees. During the process, trainees also learn to open up their hearts and share their fears, doubts, struggles, or concerns with their mentor. The mentor will listen to the trainees, pray for their emotional and spiritual condition, hoping that they will experience the love and grace of Heavenly Father, the healing of the Jesus, and the renewal by the Holy Spirit.

6. Cross-Cultural Learning

Mastering the language is the primary requirement for cross-cultural mission. Micah training uses Malay language as the medium of training; due to the presence of two Indigenous trainees in this batch, the Malay communication skills of other Chinese trainees have improved significantly. The Indigenous trainees also taught everyone their native language and traditional dances. The greatest learning and experience of cross-cultural is during the 3-month practical in rural village. Through home visitation, trainees learned to serve people and understand their cultures.

My earnest prayer: "Lord, it is not my job but yours to make them grow. What you want from me is to help to prepare and nurture their good soil of life so that the seed of God's words can be sown on it and bear fruit thirty times, sixty times, and a hundred times more!". "This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples." (John 15: 8)

Recent Updates of Micah Alumni

After graduating from Micah Training, I went to Kuala Lumpur Methodist College to study Diploma in Social Work, to explore God's calling in this field. In mid-2022, I joined the HISTEAM as full-time co-worker to journey with the Indigenous people in Sabah's rural villages through community development. The greatest blessing that Micah's training has brought to me is that it has helped me to build the foundation of my faith, understand holistic mission, examine God's will, and receive God's calling for the next season of my life. This has helped me to find a clear direction to further my study. Even though there are many uncertainties in the future, I will submit to His prompting by faith and serve the Lord's beloved ones in His Kingdom.

Liong Z-Anne | Kuala Lumpur | 1st Batch (2018)



The biggest impact of Micah training is that it helped me to find the direction of my life. When I was in secondary school, I saw my friends choosing the courses they wanted to study, and I felt pressured and confused about my future. During Micah training, God has shown me the needs of the Indigenous people and their status as firstborns, and called me to journey with the Indigenous people. After graduating from Micah training, I went abroad to study Sociology and Psychology. I will be graduating this December. If God permits, I intend to continue my studies in Social Work and bring what I have learned back to Sarawak to serve the Indigenous People.

Gillian Wong | Sarawak | 2nd Batch (2019)

The biggest impact that Micah training brought in my life was when I spent 3 months in the interior of Sabah serving the Indigenous people. God allowed me to experience the pain of seeing lost souls of the Indigenous people. This pain did not deter me, but rather made me determined to stay and accompany my "Indigenous families" in Sabah's interior. After graduating from Micah training, I joined HISTEAM and became a frontline community worker in Sabah. The road ahead is still unclear to me, but God's current calling and direction for me is to journey together with the Indigenous communities, to be a bridge between people, and a bridge between churches, to bring peace and hope to the communities.

Timothy Lee | Johor | 2nd Batch (2019)



From doubting God's calling to obeying with determination: the journey in Micah training was the beginning of my response to God's calling. With a firm heart, I decided to participate; with a patient heart, I continued to learn; with a humble heart, I walked with God in order to ascertain His will in my life. Micah training has sharpened my heart and mind and made me more determined to seek for God's will. I graduated from Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary last year. I am a pastor now, ministering to youth and children in God's house. In the future, I look forward to make more disciples for Christ to reach out to the people and fulfill God's mission.

Eric Ling | Johor | 2nd Batch (2019)

The biggest impact that Micah training brought to me is that it has allowed me to see the blessing that comes after obedience. I remember being hurt by my disobedience to authority, but it allowed me to grow and feel God's love. Micah training convinced me that God has called me to serve the young generation in Chinese churches and lead them into cross-cultural mission. Currently, I am pursuing theological education in the Sabah Theological Seminary under BM department, and I hope to contribute to mission works in God's kingdom.

Samuel Sia | Sabah | 2nd Batch (2019)



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Through Micah training, God has shaped my life through the people and things around me to learn and experience and to face my real self. At that time, I did have thoughts of giving up, but I was thankful to God that I finally chose to persevere in my walk with the Lord. I am currently studying for my Bachelor of Theology in Malaysia Baptist Theological Seminary. In the future, I look forward to working with local churches to build up youths and tertiary students, leading them to step out of their comfort zone and shine for the Lord Jesus in different areas!

Jerry Chong | Johor | 3rd Batch (2020)



Micah Centre is an important stepping stone in my life. Like the migration of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph, my "migration" to Micah Centre brought a breakthrough in my life. The phrase that prompted me to join Micah training - Expanding My Horizons - have been the biggest takeaways from this journey. My experience in Micah training has broadened my horizons and deepen my life. Currently I am a full-time co-worker in my church and being equipped with theological education at the same time. I am clear about God's calling for me which is in the church ministry and I will continue to move in this direction.

Wong Zhi Ling | Johor | 3rd Batch (2020)

Micah training has made me realize that faith is not one part of life, but the whole of life. I used to think that evangelism is just a form of knowledge that adds to my life, but after Micah training, I have come to realize that apart from caring for a person's spiritual life, we also need to care for the needs of their life and body. I am currently working as a full-time staff in Sabah Theological Seminary and at the same time taking theological studies as part-time. In the future, I hope to be God's servant by using God's Word to help, accompany and build people. I also hope to become a bridge between the Chinese and the Indigenous people, by promoting mutual understanding, eliminating stereotypes and loving one another.

Phebe Yong Li Shan | Sabah | 3rd Batch (2020)



After graduating from Micah training, I went to serve in an Indigenous village in Ranau interior. My ministry is mainly teaching and training: (1) Purpose Driven Life for Adults (2) Training for Preachers (3) Teaching Material Design for Children Sunday School (4) Training for Youth Ministers. God has opened up the BM mission field in my life. My years of experience in school teaching and serving in Chinese churches are now being utilized in the Indigenous ministry. I look forward to raising up more Indigenous people with a mission and a willingness to commit themselves in the communities, and I long to see the Indigenous churches on fire for the Lord and no longer waiting and depending on aid from outside.

Chun Siew Yoong | Pahang | 4th Batch (2021)

Micah training was a turning point in my life to get to know Abba Father and myself in a new, heartfelt way. One of the most important things I learned in Micah training was to restore my relationship with Abba Father. After graduating from Micah training, I decided to joined Micah Centre as a full-time co-worker and now serve in Micah Centre. Although I still do not yet know where God will lead me to serve in the future, I will continue to serve Him with the gifts He has given me.

Moses Goh | Melaka | 4th Batch (2021)



Recent Updates of Micah Alumni

Through Micah training, God has shown me the need to empower the underprivileged. As they face challenges in their life, we need to help them realize that Jesus Christ is the one who can save them from the bondage of sin, and at the same time, help them to discover their God-given talents and gifts, so that they can become self-reliant in terms of economic and community development. After graduating from Micah Centre, I joined ElShaddai Sabah as full-time co-worker to serve the stateless community in Sabah and provide education to stateless children. I hope to train more teachers among the stateless community so that they can participate in educating their children. In the future, I hope to continue to work with vulnerable groups, whether stateless or Indigenous communities.

John Ho | Sarawak | 5th Batch (2022)

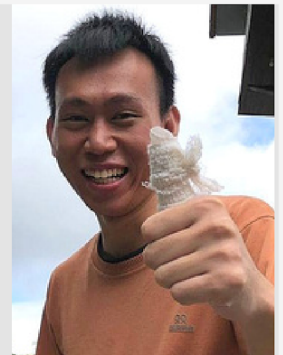


Through Micah training, God has shown me about my imperfections. God reshaped my life and character, and helped me learn to humble myself, submit to authority, and build relationships with God and people. It was here that I made one of the most important decisions in my life, which was to respond to God's calling and offer my entire life to serve the Lord. After graduating from Micah Centre, I served as full-time co-worker in my church. I will go to Sibu Methodist Theological Seminary next year for theological education. I look forward to fulfilling the Great Commission, to nurture believers to become disciples of Jesus Christ and participate in the mission work by spreading the gospel.

Liew Kian Ming | Sabah | 5th Batch (2022)

In Micah Centre I discovered that our God is truly a God that can be experienced. I always thought that only certain group of people could experience God. But after coming to Micah Centre I realized that everyone can actually experience God, as long as our hearts are aligned with God, we can hear His voice. In Micah Centre, I had more time to spend with God. During this time, I have been broken and molded by God. This has been the most impactful experience in my life. Currently I am working as a teacher in a kindergarten of my church. Next year I will become a co-worker in my church to learn about pastoral care. In Micah Centre, God showed me the importance of the next generation. Therefore, discipling next generation has become a burden in my heart. In the future, I may enter seminary to equip myself. No matter where I serve or which groups I serve in the future, I will never forget the calling that God has given me: to bring the lost young people to God.

Looi Zhen Yu | Kuala Lumpur | 5th Batch (2022)



I thank the Lord for the opportunity to participate in Micah training, which has enabled me to experience breakthrough in my life, such as speaking and expressing myself more courageously. Currently, I am serving in the kingdom ministry of my church. I am well aware of the calling God has given me. Therefore, I intend to equip myself next year to prepare myself to be a vessel fit for the God's kingdom in full-time ministry.

Esther Chong | Johor | 2nd Batch (2019)



The biggest change that Micah training has brought to me is in my behavior and relationship with God. When life was difficult and painful, I was always upset and angry with God. Under the teaching in Micah Centre, I learned to humble myself, let go of my pride and dissatisfaction, and build an intimate relationship with God with a peaceful heart. After graduating from Micah Centre, I went back to my hometown to work. I shared the gospel with my good friend cum boss, as well as assisting his family to get out of the bondage of gambling. Next year I will be entering Sabah Theological Seminary for my theological studies. My calling is to minister to the Indigenous people. I am a former computer professional and I hope to train more children with a bright future.

John Choong | Pahang | 4th Batch (2021)



The biggest impact that Micah training has brought to me is restoring my relationship with Heavenly Father and helping me to see my relationship with God in the right way. Before coming to Micah, I would often be anxious a lot, especially in life and work. But now I would come back to God and talk to Him, and He is always there to help me. Currently I am working as a teacher in a private Christian school. I want to be a good teacher who not only teaches the students but also accompanies and helps the needy students.

Loh Li Bo | Johor | 4th Batch (2021)



It is time for the Chinese church to realize the urgency of Indigenous ministry. We want to see the First-Born of this land rise up for their destiny. We want to see more young people in the church rise up and willing to offer their life for the Lord, step out of their comfort zones, and not be afraid of hard work, and serve with a missional heart. We want to see the churches in Malaysia move towards cross-cultural unity because this is God's will: As He has placed us in a multicultural and ethnically diverse country, He wants us to show the world a beautiful testimony of cross-cultural unity. Although we come from churches of different ethnic groups and languages, we are all members of the same body of Christ. Therefore, let's Yuan-Han (Indigenous & Chinese) Journeying Together for the glorious testimony of unity in Christ.

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