



A Note of Gratitude from De Pree

Dear Friend,

I so appreciate your heart for leaders, ranging from the way you care for the people you advise to the marketplace leaders served by Fuller's Max De Pree Center for Leadership. Here's a snapshot of how God has worked through you and other donors.

You've equipped leaders to:

Make leadership decisions using biblical principles. Debbie, a senior telecommunications professional in Georgia, was charged with growing a branch of her corporation from 4 to 900 people over a five-year period. For those same five years, she regularly read Life for Leaders, De Pree Center's daily devotion. She cited these engagements with Scripture as key to her spiritual formation as the kind of leader who could hire, fire, and lead with the grace and love of Christ.

Seek spiritual and emotional health for the sake of those they lead. Scott, a mid-level manager in the technology field in Illinois, wrote to me after listening to a podcast related to my book *Make Work Matter: Your Guide to Meaningful Work in a Changing World*. He said it helped him to name that he was experiencing burnout and that God's central calling for him wasn't tied to any output he produced, but simply that he belonged to Jesus. He shared that the podcast and the book were helping him get emotionally and spiritually healthy so he could manage his team in healthy ways.

Discern God in the midst of vocational transition. Andre, a California marketing professional who was feeling stuck after his work was disrupted by Covid joined one of our Road Ahead cohorts. In conversation with a group of diverse professionals who came from different church backgrounds, but who were all experiencing some sort of vocational transition, he gained clarity about his next steps. By taking a deep dive into the passage of the Good Samaritan, he discerned that God was calling him to make a shift into the diversity, equity, and inclusion field. He is now taking steps toward starting his own venture.

These are three examples of the very real difference you've made in the lives of Christian leaders across industries.

Friend, thanks again for believing in this work. I am grateful for the investment you're making in the spiritual formation of marketplace leaders for the sake of God's kingdom.

Peace,



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By the Numbers

At the midpoint in 2022, your investment has impacted more than 30,000 leaders who have, in turn, impacted tens of thousands of others.

- Life for Leaders is sent to nearly **10,000 people a day**.
- Articles and podcasts are distributed to our email list of **16,000 people**.
- We've had **30,000** downloads of our podcast, "Making it Work," in 2022.
- We estimate a reach of an additional **50,000 downloads** with externally hosted podcasts related to Make Work Matter.
- We're on pace to run **25 Road Ahead cohorts** in 2022, which **deeply impacts 150 leaders** in transition.