The Father's Heart

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A Father's Journey





What I need from Papa:

Know My Father's Heart
Acknowledged as a Son, Man
Accepted Unconditionally
Affirmed for My Talents
Released into My Destiny
Rest Securely in Father's House





State of Families Today



WORK

Long Hours
Frequent Travels
Up-or-Out Culture
Unemployment
Dual Income Families
Wives Earning More

ADDICTIONS

Pornography
Smartphones
Gaming
Gambling
Alcohol
Drugs

MARRIAGE

Lack of Comms/ Interests
In-laws Relationship
Infidelity
Violence
Separation/ Divorce
Gatekeeping
Childlessness/ Abortion

FATHERLESSNESS

MEN'S CONCERNS

Loss of Respect
Finances
Life's Purpose
Health & Ageing
No Authentic Community

CHILDREN

Over-scheduled/ Stressed
Over-exhausted
Poor/ Broken Comms
Rebellious
Delinquent
Special Needs
Disconnected/ Abandoned

ELDERLY PARENTS

Burdensome
Cost of Care
Lack of Support
Disconnected/ Abandoned
Source of:
Father & Mother Wounds







Restoring Father's Identity & Roles





Identity

- Son
- Man
- Husband
- Father
- Grandfather/ Great Grandfather

Roles

- Protector, Provider & Nurturer
- Warrior, King & Sage
- New & Contemporary Roles
- Thermostat & not Thermometer





A Father calling out a Son into Manhood

Families Need Fathers









Fathers

Involved

Consistent

Aware

Nurturing

Moral Authority

Confers Identity

Provides Security

Affirms Potential





National Fathering Campaigns





Back to School with Dad

The first day of the school year where Dads in schools make a commitment to send and enter the school gate with their child.



37 Schools **26,297 Families**

Paktor with Mummy

Dads to honor & date their wives on Mother's Day. The best gift a Dad can give his children is to love their Mother.



10 Schools 2,000 Families

Celebrating Fathers

Nationwide Father's Day campaign to recognize the important roles of Dads & to encourage active fatherhood.



Campaign Reach 1.5 Million

Eat with Your Family Day

Held every last Friday of the month, so participating companies, government organizations & schools could allow staff to leave work early & have dinner with their families.



572 Organizations 240,846 Families

Children's Day

Social media campaign to encourage fathers to be present in their children's lives, and to constantly affirm their identity and potential.



Campaign Reach 6,100 Families





Direct Engagement of Families & Fathers FATHER TO FOR LIFE





Embracing Parenthood with PA





Dads@Schools



Community Events





175 Programs: 8,000 Families & 5,000 Fathers annually

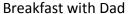
Fathering Workshops



ParentingTalks



Father – Child Bonding Programmes









Father-Child Experiential Workshop



Fathering Workshops @ Prisons





Impact of Fathering Movement





- 42,000 fathers equipped & supported since Father's Day 2000
- 120 incarcerated fathers served by DFL fathers
- 40 DFL Father Groups (Schools, Workplace & Social Institutions)
- 26 Nations keen on DFL Movement & CFF Fathering Programs
- Life-cycle stage Fathering programs to support Child's first 40 years









Partnering Our Fathers Network





How will Singapore look if all Sons carry the Father's Heart?

- Greater Social Impact when we combine your passion & expertise with our platforms:
 - Time & Resource
 - PR, Communications & Social Media Strategists
 - Researchers, Writers, Film Directors & Producers
 - Education, Social Service, Community & Corporate Partners



