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Every person's goal should be making the world a better place and helping others. Each person needs to work towards fulfilling his or her purpose. Seeking one's purpose is needed, or our time on Earth will be a waist of one's God given talents. Humans are here on Earth to serve God. He is the reason to attend mass every Sunday. He is the reason why acts of service are done. The problem in today's society is that people do not help others enough. Everyone needs to answer God's call and to serve Him by helping the people in his or her daily life. I have made it my mission to answer God's call to service.

I realized that I need to lead others to be more like Jesus to fulfill God's plan. I try my best to help others as much as possible. Some of those roles include tutoring, serving mass, and creating food packages for the hungry. However, even the little of acts like picking up a friend's school books if they scatter on the floor, holding the door for others, welcoming people with a smile, and saying please and thank you.

I do many acts of service to try to make my community better. I keep pushing myself to a point in which I excel at my abilities. First and foremost, I tutor two children that attend Our Lady of the Visitation in the subjects of math, science, social studies, and religion. These classes are the hardest for these students. When I help these kids I hope that I leave a lasting impression on them on how to reach their full potential. Secondly, this past year I volunteered at The Hands Against Hunger Food Packing warehouse. I packaged meal that were to be sent to those in Africa. While I was packing meals, I was inspired to help those who do not have the luxury of being able to go to a grocery store to pick up eggs, milk, and bread. I was proud that I could make such a profound difference. I knew that I wasn't helping every person in Africa, but I do know that I made a difference in at least one child's life. To me that is all that matters. Thirdly, this past year I joined A.C.T.S. which is an eighth grade organization at Visitation. We go to local soup kitchens, and we help little school kids that are less fortunate than I, feel the love that should be given to everyone. My favorite thing we do is going to Roberts Academy where many of the students' families live in poverty. These kids really need us to care for them and let them know that they are loved. All of these acts of service have changed me for the better and has helped me find purpose. I hope eventually everyone feels that way.

I want to continue changing the lives of people everywhere, so I can achieve my purpose in life. I want to be an unselfish human being that not only achieves my goals, but to help others achieve their goals. I plan to continue doing kind acts of service in my community and the world.