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THE JOY OF SERVICE 潇洒人生

The Life Story of Toi Boon How 佘文孝的故事

When Toi Boon How responds to his children's urging to write his life story into a book, he gamely says "Yes", not knowing that in the process, he would soon realise the delightfully full life that he has been blessed with, and the precious life lessons the "university of life" has taught him, especially on the enduring importance of family, friendship and faith. "I don't want my children and grandchildren to have to learn everything from scratch," says Toi.

In this deeply personal and delightful memoir, Toi Boon How, in his inimitable wit, gentleness and grace, reminisces his over 80 years of his life – from his humble childhood kampong days to being a businessman and grassroots leader serving the community. Readers young and old from all walks of life will be able to take a leaf from Toi's life story.

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BOOK SYNOPSIS [BI-LINGUAL]

潇洒人生 佘文孝的故事

在子女们要求作父亲的把自己生平故事写成书的时候，佘文孝满口答应了下来。日后在叙述过程里，他很快就发现到自己丰盛的生命竟然是恩典满满，“社会大学”处处隐藏着价值连城的宝贵功课，家庭、朋友、信仰这三大元素的价值更是恒古长青，让文孝惊叹之余不禁指出：“出版这本书是为了把一生中所学习到一些宝贵功课，和子孙后代分享，免得他们需要从零起步。”

在这本人情味十足的回忆录里，佘文孝透过独有的幽默笔触，温馨睿智的陈述，把读者带入自己八十多年来生命所经历的各个阶段——村童年代的艰苦岁月，商场事业的跌宕起伏，社区工作的甜酸苦辣，一幕幕尽现眼前；相信各个阶层的读者，不分男女老少，都能够从文孝的生命历程分享中，汲取养分，增添见识。

“Mr Toi is truly an outstanding example of a great grassroots leader. I am greatly honoured and proud to have the opportunity to work together with him for many years.”

DR LEE BOON YANG

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