



Hi there!

All of us at Dignity hope that you are really well. You are receiving this letter because we, or a friend of Dignity, believes you'll be interested in our **Journey** course and series of teaching.

Apostles were the 'sent out ones' of the early church. Paul and the other apostles undertook great journeys of faith. They found ways to tell people about the message of Jesus and took time to show the love and power of Jesus in many communities and villages. From the beginning they disciplined people to live by the truth of Jesus, spreading the message and practical love of Jesus for themselves. It didn't all depend upon the apostles, it depended upon everyone.

At Dignity, we have been developing a course to help you follow in their footsteps. It's called **Journey**. In the same way that the early followers of Jesus took a step to share the love and message of Jesus, we too, want you to learn how to take that step for yourself.

Studying with Dignity using **Journey** will allow you to learn about working with God starting with your own village or community. You won't need to attend a school. You will be able to do the learning right where you are, even with the friends around you. As the training progresses the course will help you to share the message and everyday love of Jesus more widely to the villages and communities around you.

What does Dignity do?

The mission of Dignity is to share the truth, love and power of Jesus everywhere we can. We believe that the lowest person can be used by God to transform their community for the good of everyone. We help people to plant what are known as Life Groups. These are groups that unite those who know Jesus, learn about him, spread the message of Jesus and help the poor in their community. Many people have followed this call across Southern Africa and in other parts of the world too.

Where Life Groups have begun, many have followed Jesus for themselves; the church has worked in unity; people who are poor and suffering have found help with the people God has placed around them.

What is the training and how long does it take?

Journey is divided into a number of smaller sections; we call them modules. Each module has a practical aim or the **Journey** that we must complete. You can go on to the next module when the practical work has been completed. We want to enable you to practically plant the work of God rather than simply learn about it. There is no timescale to the lessons. They are flexible and can be done whenever you can.

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We are making our final preparations, but the material will be available from the end of September this year. There is a quick guide to the modules and lessons at the end of this letter.

How much does *Journey* cost?

A lot of people ask how much it costs to learn with Dignity using ***Journey***. The simple answer is that there isn't a charge to start or complete the course. We prefer to send the lessons and workbooks by WhatsApp or email so you can print them for yourself. As we don't charge for the course, this is better for everyone. We do understand that not everyone can do this. Upon request we will work with those that recommended you for this course, so you can have a paper copy.

For Dignity, having people who take a step in their community, plant Life Groups and help others to do the same is payment enough. However, you or the partner that introduced you to the course may want to contribute to the cost of your course in some way. It costs us around US \$100 per student per module.

How will we support you in the course?

The aim of the course is that you can teach yourself! That's really important.

We also want to help and get to know you. When you enquire you will be contacted by one of our training 'mentors'. They are there to work out if ***Journey*** is right for you, stand by you, answer any questions you have and help you to get started.

We will also have an email address and WhatsApp group to which you can ask specific questions about the course and the lessons within. Your training 'mentor' will also be there to help you with applying the lessons where you live and to discuss what you have learned.

So how do I enquire?

You can enquire about being part of ***Journey*** by filling in the attached enquiry form. This allows us to know how to help you in the best way that we can. ***Journey*** isn't the best solution for everyone that applies. In this case we will see how we can help you in some other way.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. We really hope that you can start your very own ***Journey*** soon. We look forward to see what God will work in the people, villages and communities around you.

God Bless

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jon', written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Jon and all at Dignity

Module	Lessons to be learned	Aim and Qualification for next module
Village Journey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the message of Jesus and how to explain it. • What is a Life Group • How and why to plant a Life Group • Skills on leading well and teaching well. • How to know God well 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant a Life Group in your own village or community.
Area Journey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Groups and Church • Loving and helping the Poor • Planting more Life Groups around you • How to help people follow God's call • Skills in prayer, organising and looking after people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your Life Group plants new Life Groups in nearby villages/ communities • You form a small cluster of groups
Guiding the Journey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the mission of Jesus? • Reaching everyone, especially the 'least' • Working in fresh ground. Planting Life Groups in new places. • How does God support us? • Skills in teaching the bible, working as a team, discernment and looking after yourself physically and mentally 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to another 'new' area and teach/ coach people to plant Life Groups for themselves. • Form a small team to take the mission further. <p>(This module is available to those who have proved themselves faithful)</p>
Leading the Journey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pioneering in regions • Dignity resources, strategy and thinking • What is God's dream for our mission? • Going from 'vision' to action • Building a team • Be empowered by the Spirit. • Skills in cross cultural mission, social media, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a small hub team to teach the lessons of Dignity to a province, people group or country. <p>(This module is available to those who have proved themselves faithful)</p>