



Message from

NATIONAL PRESIDENT JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL HONG KONG SENATOR RONALD KAN

TODAY we celebrate for the young people, from 21 Chapters and JCI Hong Kong Board of Directors, who are willing to commit themselves to a year of service and dedication.

Young people nowadays have too many commitments: replying messages within a certain hour or even minutes from the time they were sent, editing selfies for the benefit of themselves and their friends before posting on social media, condensing sentences to hashtags, and so on.

These commitments may seem superfluous to adults but they are very much part of the everyday life of young people of this day and age. In other words, young people have far more commitments than before with a shorter lifespan. As such, seldom do we see a lot of young people enthusiastic about long-term commitments. But this is the norm in JCI.

The mission of JCI is to provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change. We know in JCI that if we are entrusted with duties and responsibilities, we will do our utmost to fulfill them, even though this may involve numerous meetings until late at night. Our Chapters do not have a remunerated secretariat to back them up and everything has to start from scratch. Because we know we are creating impact through our community projects and hundreds of thousands of people will benefit as a result.

Our members' commitment to place service to humanity above other areas of personal life ought to be recognised. This is where our slogan Beyond Believe kicks in. We stretch ourselves towards perfection by stepping out of our comfort zone and living life to the fullest. Our dedication will, in turn, bring about a change to our destinies.

This year, JCI Hong Kong is committed to focus on 1) retention by re-establishing members' JCI values through skills-based training which are transferable to their everyday life and career if they consider themselves no longer getting anything out of their membership 2) impact to collaborate deeper with like-minded partners and create synergies 3) Community Development specialisation by splitting up into separate areas to tackle the rise of community issues.

So what commitments have you made TODAY?

Ronald Kan

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