

Tung Wah Group of Hospitals
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Many people in Hong Kong know the meaning of good people and good deeds, but they just talk about trying to be good people or doing some good deeds. Most of the time they love to be on-lookers. However, there are also some heart-warming stories happening in this bustling and crowded city, and one of these unforgettable stories just happened in my life last year.

I remember that it was a Friday evening. I returned home after school by bus and there were many people on the bus. A man behind me was carrying a baby. He seemed so confused because he had to take care of the baby and hold the hand rail tightly at the same time. He searched for a seat but all were occupied. However, no one considered giving up their seats for the man, they pretended they didn't notice anyone who needs help.

Suddenly, a little girl stood up, 'Here take this seat, Mr!' she said. The little girl waved to the man asking him to take her seat. After all things were settled, the man who was grateful for that little girl said, 'Thank you so much for your kindness and you are really helpful!' The man smiled. I could feel that other passengers on their

seats looked very embarrassed as a little girl could be kinder and more helpful than they themselves.

The most heart-warming thing came when the girl said, 'Helping people is my responsibility as my mum always teaches me to be a good girl and lend others helping hand.' After I heard this, I felt really touched and I knew that there is no age limit for doing good deeds or being good people, just like that little girl. Besides, that girl changed my way of thinking and also affected others to reflect on their way of thinking.

After that, I started to take part in more voluntary work. I always invite my friends to go with me. They did not want to join me at first but I just told them about that little girl I met on the bus. Hearing that, they finally agreed. We visited the elderly centre and made lunch. I felt really satisfied as they said, 'It's the most delicious lunch I have ever had!' My tears began to roll down my cheeks.

I am just an ordinary teenager and I can't make all people help those in need. But I am happy that I can affect my friends. After I have volunteered more, I felt I earn more happiness every time. Many friends felt the same too. Talking about being a good person and doing good deeds are easy, but we should not just care about our own comfort and vanity rather than genuinely caring about the people in need. If all people just care about themselves, they will become selfish and cruel and the world

will be full of hopeless people. I think the more we try to help others, the more positive our mind will be.

In fact, I am still searching for my purpose of life. I don't really understand what good deeds are, but I just think it is important to give a helping hand to others and filled my life with laughter and smiles. So I am looking forward to enjoying each of my own meaningful days and I will try to follow the little girl's footsteps.

I hope everyone can find their own ways to be good people and do good deeds. It may help them to find their meaningful life too. They will also learn that doing good deeds is not as difficult as they think. I hope there can be more heart-warming things happening in my daily life. And I can be someone's kind and helpful angel and follow my footsteps one day.