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Dear Sonny,

On behalf of the staff and members of Saddleback Church, we offer our congratulations on the 40th Anniversary of Victory Outreach International.

No doubt God is pleased with your faithful years of ministry and the thousands of changed lives because you so passionately reach out to the lost struggling with hurts, habits and hang-ups. Its obvious God has used you in a great way to fulfill His purposes for the Kingdom and countless more will spend eternity in heaven because of your faithful determination!!

I'm also encouraged by the incredible sense of hope, energy, and joy that each one is experiencing by discovering what God put them on the planet to do. I'm praying God will continue to use you and Victory mightily to make a difference as you not only live a purposeful life, but help others do the same.

Unlike past generations, people today aren't looking for the meaning of life. Instead they're searching for meaning in life, something that makes their life worth living. They're seeking the very thing for which God made them. The Bible teaches God had purpose in mind when He made each one of us. Loving God and living His purposes is the single most important thing any of us can ever do, and these purposes are foundational to everything we decide in regards to our lives and our future. Thank you for founding and growing a ministry that points people to Jesus and then gives them the tools to learn how to live a life that honors Him.

Sonny, I pray God continues to richly bless you, Julie and your entire ministry. It's an honor to serve alongside you for the global glory of God.

God Bless,

Rick Warren