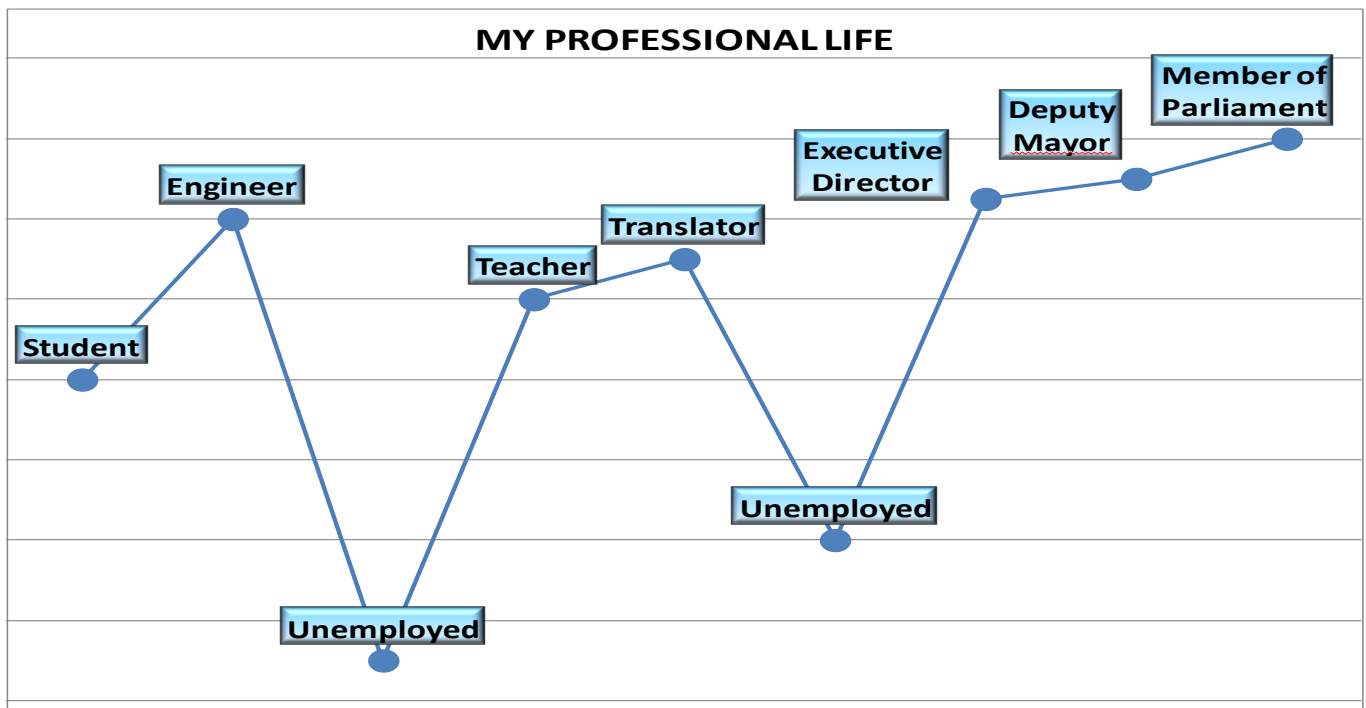


The Implications of Our Calling: Serving in Office God Makes Extraordinary Things Through Ordinary People

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- I. Introduction
- II. My life journey: Ups and Downs
 - A. Life and Profession
 - 1. Life and family
 - 2. Professional life



3. Trust God at all times! “When you doubt your power, you give power to your doubt.” Honore de Balzac

III. My priorities as a Member of Romanian Parliament

A. Areas of interest

1. Family
2. Education
3. Youth
4. Christian involvement in the Community life and Politics

B. Main activities and objectives

1. Legislation
2. Events
3. Sharing my life and God’s love at any time
4. Influencing the church leaders and young generation
5. Be a honorable representative of Romania wherever God takes me

IV. Conclusion

A. Examples of ordinary people used by God for extraordinary things

1. Abraham
2. Moses
3. Joseph
4. Esther
5. David

B. Encouragement: What does it take?

1. Faith in God
2. Flexibility
3. Adaptability
4. Proactive attitude
5. Accept new beginnings
6. Open minded
7. Continuous learning
8. Permanent contact with others who can encourage and help

C. Final words

1. My recipe for success: Trust God, trust yourself and work hard!
2. My answer: God, here I am, Your servant, send me!