



IGNITED IN LEADERSHIP | REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY 2022

It was all worth it!

In the midst of an unprecedented pandemic and a few other upheavals, we have engaged as a community. Learning to maneuver life, work, and play have all been somewhat of a challenge. The nation has united in some ways and divided in others yet there remains an undeniable resilience factor. LWS encouraged us be leaders in resilience.

LWS provided informative opportunities and sessions to allow us to better understand what community members face. From the initial program day to the last, we heard, "Trust the process!" and "You receive what you put into the program." These two simple phrases continued to quide my process. Each program day involved some challenging discussions some may prefer to steer away from but we had to embrace them in order to understand others better. Enlightening activities were able to shine light on situations that caused an array of emotions. The people we encountered opened up a deeper understanding of things we thought we knew but really had no clue. The opportunities to grow were part of the entire LWS experience and forced us to be resilient. We were able to focus on the vision, maintain our tenacity, and embrace collaboration. What can I say? IT WAS ALL WORTH IT!

The Class of 2022, like previous classes, has created and will maintain friendships that will last a very long time. People we may not normally encounter on a daily basis are now just a phone call or text away. That is simply remarkable. The culmination of this nine-month journey was Celebration. It was a great honor for us to be recognized as the newest Leadership Winston-Salem alumni. What a memory! Sometimes I am at a loss for words (and I like to talk!) when trying to describe LWS. The feeling I have is intense. From my heart, I say LWS rocks and I plan to be around it for a long time.

Thank you to all sponsors and donors who helped to make this an awesome year! Your support helps Leadership Winston-Salem provide an experience like none other. It challenges us to make a difference. We are igniting community leadership.

Congratulations and blessings to my fellow graduates of the Most Resilient Class Ever, the Class of 2022!

Sincerely, **Quentin Gunter** Flagship Class of 2022 "The Most Resilient Class Ever"



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