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The purpose of being alive is to be happy. This is something I was reminded of during my stay in Ateneo, where I found happiness in companionship. Striving for a better future — a dream shared between me and my fellow graduates — is a dream that makes me happy, alive, and excited for the friends I have yet to meet.

Thank you, Ateneo, for reminding me that I need not be alone. Thank you for giving me the strength to hope.



## Gerard Matthew Y. Cotoco

"Don't ask yourself what the world needs, ask yourself what makes you come alive. And then go and do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive." (Howard Washington Thurman)