Trailblazers of the New Era

(ver 2024)

<u>Background</u>

The Soka Gakkai Singapore (SGS) Student Division (SD) song, "Trailblazers of the New Era," was composed in 2020. It was composed to mark two important milestones: the 90th anniversary of Soka Gakkai and the 60th anniversary since Ikeda Sensei became the third president. The song was inspired by messages from Ikeda Sensei, including his 2019 Student Division Kenshu message and the 35th Headquarters Leaders Meeting message.

Celebrating SGS SD's 40th anniversary in June 2024, "Trailblazers of the New Era" was refreshed. The song continues to be a message of hope, uplifting the spirits of youths in this challenging era. It also expresses the deep gratitude SD members have for Ikeda Sensei. The revamped song reflects SD members' commitment to the shared vow of mentor and disciple and their renewed determination to be trailblazers of the new era.

*Chorus

Let's create a new era
Illuminate our world
The future's up to us
To make new victories
Let's be brave, be the change
With our mentor in our hearts
Come young eagles, join me as we strive

<u>Bridge</u>

Get ready to go forth

Be champions of justice

We'll trailblaze the path for peace

Repeat *Chorus with handclaps

Verse 1

When the world seems bleak And we feel so weak We may feel that hope is lost But we must overcome our challenges And strive to carry on

With our mentor and comrades Let us shine the world with light We must fulfil our mission Together one in mind

Final Chorus

We'll create a new era
Illuminate our world (Hey!)
The future's up to us (Let's go!)
Go make new victories
You and I, make the change
For our mentor calls on us
Come young eagles, come young eagles
join me as we strive

Come young eagles, spread your wings and fly

Repeat *Chorus

Verse 2

We will stand tall Struggle joyfully We will triumph the fiercest storms To pave the path for happiness Together grow as one

So we must uphold our vow To treasure everyone As shining stars of hope Together we advance



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