

Book Review

Reviewed by Frank Mutuma for Readers' Favorite

A Purposeful Life by Agitu Wodajo is a detailed account of her life and experiences both in Ethiopia and the USA. Agitu was born and raised in Nedjo with strict adherence to the Christian values she learned at the Swedish mission school and morals inculcated by her parents. Her upbringing plays a major role in all her future decisions. She undergoes various challenges during her academic journey, including assault by one of the directors. Despite the challenges, she finishes high school and college studies and eventually becomes a community nurse. Her marriage is also very problematic. Her husband is not very supportive and, at one point, even refused to pay her maternity fee. As Agitu's life unfolds, major political events are happening in Ethiopia, including the overthrowing of Emperor Haile Selassie 1.

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