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EDITORIAL

The Institute for National Transformation management welcomes you to the 26th edition of our monthly newsletter. We kindly request you to recommend potential oakseeds to attend our next class; class 31. We would love to hear from you. Kindly send your contributions to the July, 2022 newsletter.

Articles will be assessed on rolling basis, and should be 500- 1500 words in length, including spaces. The deadline for submission of articles for the July, 2022 newsletter is Monday, 4th July, 2022. Your feedback and suggestions are highly appreciated.

Please send all your submissions to intuganda@gmail.com. Title of Email: Newsletter Article Submission.

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INT has opened my eyes to see better. I can now think and am more focused as to where we are as a nation.

Compare it; asking myself, what more can I do to make things better to help us reach where we should be? I put my best foot forward as much as I can, always striving to do my best and leaving a better situation.

What are the key transformations in your profession?

I aim more and more to be a person of integrity and taking responsibility which has been my core credit ever since, being focused and not blaming others. I work to make impact, not just for the sake of working. I ask myself, "Am I producing positive impact to others as well"? As a

transformational leader, I intend to avoid transactional tendencies.

What is the impact of these transformations?

As a result of my transformation from INT, at my work place, I see people happier and making their contributions to better our country which is so pleasing! For instance, in my community, I see people receiving Christ as their LORD and Savior and their spiritual transformation is an encouragement to me.

What do you enjoy most about your career?

The fact that I help people to live and make the world a better place is more conciliatory and makes me smile since I am an expert in

Environment Management and Biodiversity Conservation. I love seeing nature thrive and it pains me when I see humans who are supposed to take care of what God has gifted us with, being the very ones leaving wounds in the landscape

What is your favourite book?

Nelson Mandela's "Long Walk to Freedom" - I am very challenged by the man's character, his forgiving nature, and his love for his country. My only sad point is that he did not really know Christ as his Saviour during his lifetime, I always imagine the kind of impact he would have had on his country and the world if only he knew GOD.

What was your favourite INT book?

I have two of these :

Good to Great - in this one what grabbed my attention most, were; two principles:

a) First who, then

what ? It changed my thinking about how to identify people to work with; b) The hedgehog concept – I needed to identify what I am really good at and focus there. I am now focusing on bible teaching or knowledge transfer. My other favorite book is Buy the Future :by Mensa Otabil. The book helped me to realise deeply that the choices i make are for short term or long term gain.

It helped me to understand how my values and beliefs shape my choices, the way I relate to other people and how I tackle day to day

issues. It taught me to respond to life from positions of strength rather than from points of weakness. When one reads the book, you discover several tools that can be used to redesign your life and shape your future.

Otabil helps us to think outside the box i.e. to look past traditional logic and methods and to new and innovate ways of reaching our goals. He puts emphasis on the fact that the future cannot design itself but only takes the form and shape of our choices today.

What was your an INT Project?

My project was about transforming my community from a physical world to a “spiritual deity”.

Changing the mind set of our community to one that is aware of the need for cleanliness, in body and spirit.

The project is still ongoing. It gives me great pleasure to see a village slowly changing both physically (caring about their surroundings) and spiritually (yearning to know more and more about Christ).

The journey is still a long one but with God on our side, we cannot fail to get there.

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