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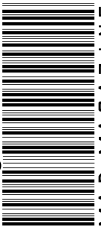
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+ More

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Are you MAD? I ask again, Are you MAD?. You may ask, if that is an insult. No, it's just a simple question: Are you MAKING A DIFFERENCE?

The dream of every teenager is to be successful. Success is not having all the expensive cars, houses, clothes, phones or having so much money. Success is being able to make a difference in your generation. It is about making an impact. You don't need to wait until you have the whole world before you become a change agent. You do not have to wait until you are an adult to be a change maker. You just need to be different. Instead of being a part of the problem, become a part of the solution.

Successful people are ordinary people who decided to take extraordinary steps to make their world better. They are normal people who refused to go with the norm and decided to become abnormal – if that is what it takes to change their world. Some examples of great men who are making a difference in their word include Bill Gates, who revolutionized the information technology world. Mark Zuckerberg, the founder of facebook and Salim Ahmed, the founder of 2go; they both took social networking to the next level. We can go on and on as the list is endless but the good news is that, there is still room for new stars to shine.

The aim of this magazine is to spur you to rise up and make a difference in your world. It is time to take your world by storm. You need to get MAD. Only MAD people can change their world. As you flip through the pages of this publication I pray you will find the motivation you need to begin to Make a Difference!

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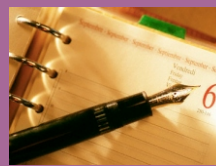
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One Can Make A Difference

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One seed can start a garden
One moment can change a life
One conversation,
Can start a friendship
One step can start a journey
One word can say so much
One smile can brighten a day
One small act of love,
can mean everything to someone

One person can make a difference,
And to me, that person is you.

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You Too Can Make News

News makers are not noise makers. News makers are hardly news watchers. News makers are 'moves' makers. They make moves and their moves make news. Are you a noise maker or a news maker? Do you make people marvel at the moves you make or you just take delight in sitting down and watching others make headlines. The world is in dire need of change makers, people who are making a difference everywhere they find themselves. Unfortunately, we have more noise makers than news makers. People who take delight in shouting down those who are changing their world.

So how do you become a Newsmaker? How do you become a pace setter and a trail blazer? I will give you a few proven and practical steps that if you apply yourself to will move you from obscurity to the limelight. Let's get started:

1) FIND YOUR PLACE: Your grace is in your place, your expertise will only surface when you are in your place. Every human on earth has a God-ordained place of work, worship and service. You must realize that you do not belong everywhere. You cannot shine everywhere. You will not succeed and find fulfillment at just anything. You were made to do something, not

everything. You were wired by God to perform better in certain environments. If you take a fish and put it on the ground, it would look useless and worthless and only good for your soup pot. But take that same fish and put it in the river; its expertise will come out. Its abilities will come alive. It is the same with humans. When you are in your place you have no competition. When you find your place you find your greatness. That place is your laughing place. That is where your prosperity is it is in that place you will find joy.

2) ASSOCIATE WITH NEWS MAKERS: The company you keep determines what accompanies you. In my opinion, the shortest cut to greatness is association. Associating with the right people can cover up for your lack of education, finance, expertise, experience and even time. Stop trying to succeed alone. There are people out there who have gone where you intend to go, find them and learn from them. There is somebody already doing something you intend to do, get every material you can get about them. The greatness you respect is the greatness you attract.

Stay around people that will challenge you, not those that will tolerate your mediocrity. Life is too short to live with just one brain, make use of the brains of people who are making impacts

in their various fields. How do you do this? Associate with them in person, read their books, listen and watch their CDs and DVDs. It is easy to be a millionaire all you need do is listen to a millionaire and it's just a matter of time the millions in your mind will move to your hands.

3) COMMITMENT TO HARD WORK: Aliko Dangote works for 19 hours every day, Bishop David Oyedepo works 16 hours every day. Dr Mike Murdock sleeps at 4am every day, Dr Myles Munroe, with his busy schedule, finishes four books every month. No wonder these men are pace setters and newsmakers. Only hard workers become high fliers. There is no spiritual substitute for hard work. Prayer is not a replacement for hard work. An unbeliever who is hard working will succeed more than a believer who is lazy. Smart work is not a substitute for hard work; it is actually a part of hard work.

You cannot make a difference when you are too lazy to sit down and work, read or think. God does not bless lazy people. Only the diligent will rule. Only hard workers become news makers. So stop making noise let your work do the noise making.. Let your work announce you.

You are the next to be celebrated!

(@SamuelTasker)



GOOD BOYZ GONE

MAD



The best thing that can happen to anybody is for them to discover their giftings and appropriately deploy them to change their world. Everyone has their grace and everybody has their place but very few have found out what their graces and places are. Many are yet to discover the special thing God has put in them which no other person has. TUC is a group of teenagers who have discovered their God-given talent in music and have chosen to be used by God to make a difference in a in a special way. They are members of Shekinah Glory Teens Church. We present to you TUC:

MAD: Who Are the TUCs?

SOTONYE: We are a group of young talented teenagers who came together for the purpose of spreading the gospel of Christ through our music.

MAD: How did you Guys Start - what Inspired you?

SOTONYE:- We started in the year 2012, our inspiration was the way the praise and worship was been done in just one style, so we felt that it could be better, so we felt we could spice it up a little and decided sing to God in our own style. That is why we

decided to do Rap music and Hip Hop gospel.

MAD: What Is the Full Meaning Of TUC?

TUC- The Unstoppable for Christ

MAD: How Did You Guys meet one another?

SOTONYE: We met in Shekinah Glory Teens Church. I was a member of the church Williams and Wisdom were not members of the church but they later joined the church and that's how we met.

MAD: If there is One Thing you will like to Change about Gospel

Music, what would that be?

WISDOM: One thing we will like to change is the style. We want to make people know that you can do HIP, JAZZ and any type of music in a gospel way.

MAD - What Is Your Background in Music?

WILLIAMS: I started from the streets I was rapping with a group but not a gospel group before I became a member of the Shekinah Glory Teens Church.

SOTONYE: I started out in the technical department before I joined the choir and

started playing drums too

WISDOM: I started in the choir when I was aged 7 and I also play instruments (drums, keyboard)

MAD: Why Did You Choose To Do Gospel Music?

SOTONYE: Frankly speaking, there is no better form of music than gospel music, God Is the alpha and omega, the creator of the universe gospel was there before secular music, gospel music speaks for me.

WISDOM: I feel this joy inside of me when I compose gospel music. I feel it's my calling.

WILLIAM: I want to be different from the world.

MAD: What Genres Of Music Do You Play?

TUC: All kinds (hip pop, rap, gospel, etc)

MAD: Do You Have Any Upcoming Gigs?

TUC – Presently one is in the air

MAD – You Have Recorded A Single. Tell Us About It.

TUC – We have and it is titled “If I no get You (God)”

MAD: How Do You Prepare For Your Ministration?

WISDOM: First of all, when we have the intro, we deliberate on the instrumentals we will use then we share each part and chorus. On the day of our ministration we pray before the ministration, don't forget we rehearse before time.

MAD: What would you Say are the Major Challenges that you Face as a Group and how do you Deal with Them?

TUC: Selecting the right lyrics. It is not so easy sticking to the status quo. Live band challenges. We take good instrumentalist to help us if we want to do a live ministration. About how we deal with our challenges we go to the studio and make a beat/ demo. On the day of our ministration we use it.

MAD: Talk About the Song Writing and Recording Process?

WISDOM – We go to the studio, make a beat, then we pass the demo around and write our parts and then we rehearse and record the song

MAD: What Advice Would you Give to those Trying to Start a Group and who would want to succeed in the Music Industry.

WISDOM: Be yourself

SOTONYE: Take up a little step of faith and believe in yourself and the sky won't be your limit

but your starting point.

WILLIAMS: Never give up because it's not easy. Believe in God, put him first and be focused

MAD: How would you Describe your Experience in Shekinah Glory Teens Church?

WISDOM: It has been a wow experience.



“there is no better form of music than gospel music, God Is the alpha and omega, the creator of the universe, gospel was there before secular music”

WILLIAM: The church has really given us a platform to showcase our talents. It has served as a stepping stone

SOTONYE: They've been supportive. They've been our backbone.

MAD: Who Are Your Idols and Why?

WILLIAM- My role model is Ice Prince, although he is a secular musician, I just pick out the good things needed and add to mine.

WISDOM: - Frank Edwards, because I get inspired when I listen to his music.

SOTONYE: True O'zee. He is a gospel rapper

MAD: If you guys were to describe yourselves in a simple word what would that be?

SOTONYE: Enigma (a wonder)

WISDOM: Favoured. I am favoured

WILLIAM: Unique.

MAD: Do you Guys have Other Hobbies besides Making Music?

WISDOM:-Football – I love football

WILLIAMS: Football aside from music

SOTONYE: I love playing football and video games.

MAD: What's Your Most Embarrassing Experience?

SOTONYE: – When we were called to sing at Iverok Secondary School graduation, the microphones were not working; no instrument and we had to do a new song on the spot (on stage). It was so embarrassing. We were not even appreciated

MAD: Where Do You Guys See Yourselves In The Next Four Years?

TUC: By God's grace we plan to have our own record label and to bring up other upcoming artistes.



Is it Love?

Recognizing the difference between Love and the intoxicating feeling of Infatuation is vital if you desire to have a successful relationship. If you feel like you are absolutely in Love, then you might want to take a step back and ask yourself what that really means, and why you think you are in love.

INFATUATION is based on 'illusions' and 'idealization' (particularly for the wrong reasons) but LOVE is based on reality. In infatuation you tend to imagine only what you want the person to be or what you need them to be rather than seeing who they really are – the 'real' person. True love, however, accepts a person for who they are, no matter their flaws.

When two persons are in love they will both motivate each other to become better individuals. You want to honestly listen to his/her feelings and make the person happy.

This is not the case in infatuation, where you prefer to keep the relationship on a 'fantasy' level rather than discussing real things. You both are just 'lovers', not 'friends'. Most of the times, your other relationships deteriorate because you're solely dependent on your 'lover', emotionally.

LOVE is selfless. When you love someone, you tend to think of the person first, before yourself. You wouldn't want to do anything to hurt the person's feelings. Unfortunately, the reverse is the case in infatuation, where you want to get your own needs met and you don't care if it affects your partner or not.

(By Onyekachi Nsude)



WHY YOU NEED A BUDGET

(by Henrietta Alalibo)

A budget is a spending plan that you decide upon. It is based on how much you make and what your monthly expenses are. There are many advantages of having a budget, some of them include:

1. Financial Direction:

Having a budget can help you have financial direction. With this your spending becomes more purposeful and guided. For example, to buy a house in two years, you have to develop suitable financial strategies and follow specific guidelines. With a financial direction you will be more careful how you spend your money since you have a set goal.

2. Financial Control:

Knowing the exact money to spend on fixed expenses, you can adjust variable expenses accordingly and spend less on personal care etc. Fixed expense is any expense that does not change from period to period such as School

fees, loans and rents while variable expenses are expenses that change from period to period for example food, clothing and entertainment.

3. Savings:

A budget helps you save. If you keep track of your finances and adjust variable expenses accordingly, you can save money. These savings can be used for starting a small business or fund emergencies.

4. Financial Emergencies:

It can help you have instant money to handle unexpected financial emergencies, e.g. medical bills, home repair, car repair etc. It wise to anticipate unexpected situations

5. Informed Purchases:

Budget helps you to become an informed purchaser, you can identify items that cost too much or are not essential to you. You can then buy only what you need or things you identify as essential, at a better price.

::: Teens Talk

Blossom: There is nothing wrong with dancing it in church. It is a normal dance. It is a way of praising God and you can praise God in any way.

Tammy: If you take a critical look at it, you're praising God. Look at David in the Bible who almost danced naked. So, what I would say is, as long as you are dancing to God from your heart there is nothing wrong about it.

Georgewill: It's ok. Teenagers like to bring things from they see outside to the church. There is nothing wrong with doing such dances in church. There is no dance that is specifically for church or worldly. It's even better to dance it in church.

Joseph: It's wrong to dance it in church because it's of the world. It is a worldly dance and it is not supposed to be danced in the church which is a holy ground.

Micheal: There is nothing wrong with dancing it in church, provided you're dancing from your heart to God and not just to seek attention or please people.

Prince: I think the most important thing is ones reason for dancing it. If you're doing it to praise God, its fine but if you're doing it just to show off or prove that you can dance the reigning

or latest dance, then it's wrong.

Belema: It is wrong because it's a worldly dance that was brought by secular

musicians. It is a

dance done in clubs, parties etc. So it is not supposed to be done in God's house.

Opubo: I think it's from the person's

perception. It's

not wrong if you're dancing genuinely from your heart to God. It only becomes wrong when you do the dance for the 'wrong reasons'.

Sotonye: Before the dance got a name and became so popular, people had been dancing it in church just that it didn't have a name. So in my own opinion, there is nothing wrong with it, just do it in the 'Holy Culture' way.

Deborah: it's a dance. It just depends on the song you're dancing to. If it's a gospel song you're dancing to, there is absolutely nothing wrong dancing it.

Precious: Provided you dance it in a way that is not offensive, there is nothing wrong with dancing it in church.

Salome: It is a form of dance and since it's not seductive, there is nothing wrong with dancing such dance in church.

Is dancing
'AZONTO'
&
'ETIGI'
in church right?



10 BRAINTEASERS to Test Your Mental Sharpness

To test your mental acuity, answer the following questions (no peeking at the answers!):

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May. What was the third child's name?
2. A clerk at a butcher shop stands five feet ten inches tall and wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?
3. Before Mt. Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain in the world?
4. How much dirt is there in a hole that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?
5. What word in the English language is always spelled incorrectly?
6. Billie was born on December 28th, yet her birthday always falls in the summer. How is this possible?
7. In British Columbia you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg. Why not?
8. If you were running a race and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?
9. Which is correct to say, "The yolk of the egg is white" or "The yolk of the egg are white?"
10. A farmer has five haystacks in one field and four haystacks in another. How many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in one field?

Answers

1. Johnny.
2. Meat.
3. Mt. Everest. It just wasn't discovered yet.
4. There is no dirt in a hole.
5. Incorrectly (except when it is spelled incorrectly).
6. Billie lives in the southern hemisphere.
7. You can't take a picture with a wooden leg. You need a camera (or iPad or cell phone) to take a picture.
8. You would be in 2nd place. You passed the person in second place, not first.
9. Neither. Egg yolks are yellow.
10. One. If he combines all his haystacks, they all become one big stack.

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