

“Bloom Where You are Planted”

Strengthening the *Minds and Hearts* of Individuals, Communities and the Profession

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Strengthening the Hearts and Minds of Individuals, Communities and the Profession requires us as professionals to “Bloom where we are planted”. There is something in each of us that others need; it is up to each of us to Influence where we are planted.

Bloom/Influence

- Grow
- Thrive
- Flourish
- Develop
- Prosper
- Mature
- Motivate
- Inspire
- Shape
- Persuade
- Change



Parable - Matthew 13:33

He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough." In other words, Yeast has to mix with dough to be affected.



What's Needed to Bloom and have Influence?

Plants/Flowers

- Soil and Fertilizer
- Water
- Temperature
- Sunlight
- Air/CO₂
- Space/Room
- Time

People/Community

- Knowledge/Nutrients
- Water
- Temperature
- Sunlight
- Air
- Space/Room
- Time
- Skills

How do we Influence
in the home,
community,
profession?



- Aging U.S. Population
- Digital Technology
- Genetically Modified Products
- Changing American Families
- No Majority Ethnic Group
- Work Life
- Dual Economy
- Protecting the Environment accommodating Growth
- Globalization
- High Touch Communities

Our work begins when we leave here today – where the mind leads, the heart will follow – what we think and does matter!

Head, Heart, and Soul



- HEAD = Body of Knowledge



- HEART = Mission to Improve Quality of Life



- SOUL = Meaning & Inspiration

Boost Confidence

Build Trust

Be Flexible

Listen to Others

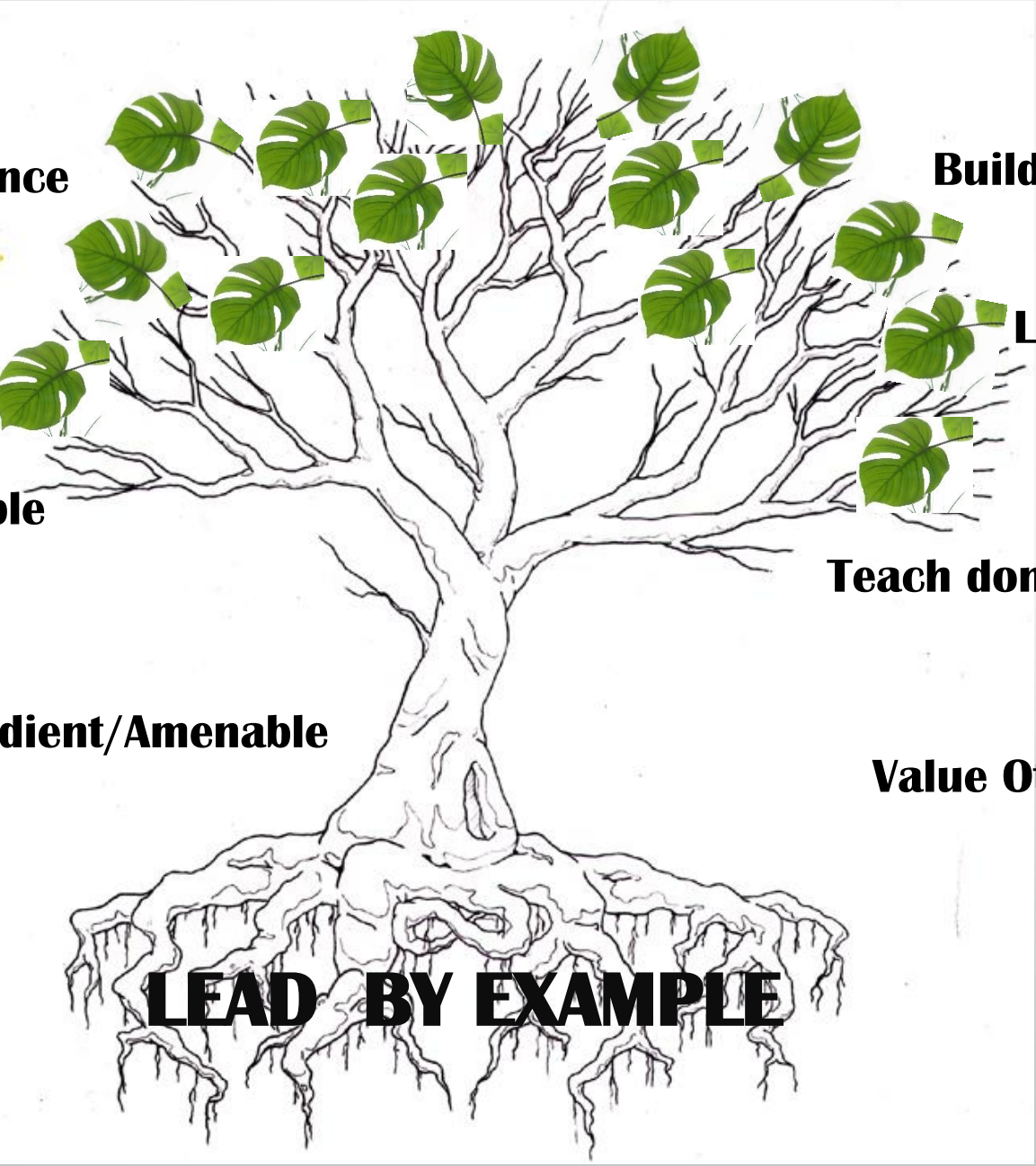
Knowledgeable

Teach don't Preach

Be Obedient/Amenable

Value Others

LEAD BY EXAMPLE



Let us not be like the Parable of the Salt

Without Taste –Matthew 5:13

You are the salt of the earth. If the salt were no longer salty, what would we use to season food? It would be of no use anymore and we would throw it to the ground and let it be trampled on by everyone.