

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND

This week I ran into an in-law at the post office and we were discussing local and geo politics and he made a very profound comment at the end of our discussion. He simply stated that we don't have people anymore that leave **footprints in the sand!** Sadly this is so.

Who are our role models today – who do our young people emulate with positive reinforcements?

In my formative years, you had enough role models right there in the family unit one didn't have to stretch too far as the seeds of morality and ethics were planted right there in the family nucleus.

When you speak with young people today and the question is asked of their role models a vacant then vapid expression overcomes them – it is as if this is an alien concept – more and more we see young people having altercations with the law, more youngsters are substance abusers and this is chronic situation that is not going away in a hurry – we have to face this head on.

Everyone you speak to have become battle worn with trying to rationalize in a society that has become so “dumbed down” and a slave to their “apps” that no sensible intellectual discourse can be conveyed. We fear face to face dialogue, god forbid we use our brains to rationalize thoughts and/or concepts – no wonder our youngsters float through an educational system on a cloud and a misconception of what is expected of them because for at least eighteen years within the family and secular spheres they have been misinformed and maladjusted

Are we going to continue to sweep this under the carpet, are we going to continue to engulf the brain dead stupor wonderland that many have started to grow so accustomed to (“it's not my problem”), until we rot into the utopia of ignorant bliss or are we going to take a stand fight for our country and our future generations, and give them a fighting chance by teaching them self love and the importance of making a difference.

I am not giving up on this country as I see so many young Jamaicans between the 15 – 25 age group who are becoming aware and want to save their environment and are very socially conscience and within their resources are trying to make a difference.

So here is the challenge who is willing to partner with them and truly leave their

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