

## FORWARD FROM DRTINA LAMONT // Director TEC



Dear Friend,

We are pleased to continue to bring you our Care Conversations. In the first series, Dr Stephen Fyson brought us some reflections on *Mere Christian Education*, based on CS Lewis' *Mere Christianity*. In this next set, Stephen brings us some encouragement from the Gospel according to Matthew – often called the *Teachers' Gospel*.

We hope that this service from The Excellence Centre continues to support you in this wonderful ministry of Christian Education. Please remember to contact us with any ideas about how we may be able to assist you more.

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"Take heart daughter", He said, "Your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed from that moment. Matthew 9:22

I am not sure if you have ever been through a long period of illness. I think my longest stretch was about ten years. In my ninth year, I spent so long in the local children's hospital, that they rang my mother and asked her to bring me to their Christmas party.

When she asked why they thought this a good idea, given that I was actually healthy at that moment, they simply said: "But he is such a part of the place!"

The woman in this story had been bleeding for a long, long time. She knew who Jesus was, and knew that if she could only get close enough, then good might happen to her. Sure enough, that is what happened.

Similarly, our students often carry deep emotional / spiritual needs for a long time. And they are with us for a long time. We need to look around to see if

they can see Jesus, come to know who He is, and then want to come close to Him. Who are your champions in this heart-land ministry area of your school? How can you support them?

Let's remember to put these salt and light people on our 'must encourage this week' list – and ask God to help us all the way!



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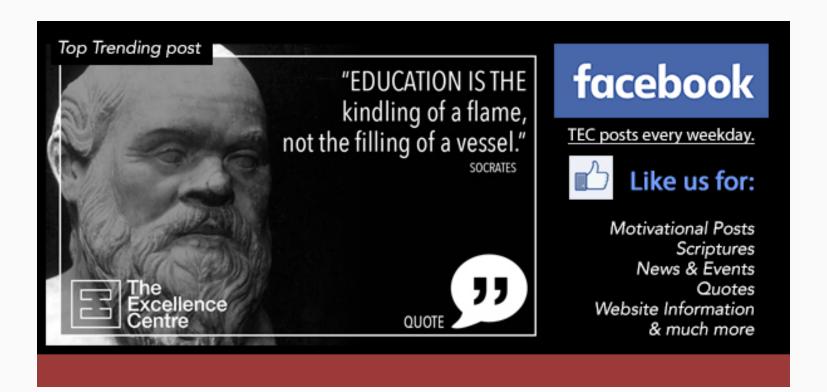
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