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Let's take a moment and reflect on the stand taken by women in 1956, before and beyond them. Let's reflect and evaluate where we are in adhering to and living up to the principles they embraced, that being unity, integrity, faith, sisterhood, equality, comradeship, courage, service, human dignity, community development and empowerment.

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This requires us to express our intentions openly, also to expand our territory and to excel. Let's start living towards a vision of a unity amongst all women worldwide. How do we envision the women of the future? What will they look like? What values will they be driven by? What stories will they tell about us, themselves and others?

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CONTEXT

The reflection and re-definition of the future of women in Africa is driven by the need to reshape our social, historical and political psyche. There are undoubtedly many lessons to be learnt and questions to be asked regarding the stories that define us as women in Africa. Who defines us? Who tells our story? Who OWNS our story? From whose perspective are these stories told? To whom and how are the stories told?

Thus, how do we as women create our story of now which is inclusive and reflective of all women in Africa.

How can Women achieve parity?

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WOMEN TAKING THE LEAD

“The Circle of Leadership teaches us that action has power, nothing happens until we move!” By Bob Anderson and Bill Adams

1. **The Wheel** – Nothing happens until we start moving!
2. **A Strong Centre** – Leadership is about knowing the self. Where do you come from, where are you and here are you going.
3. **A Community** – Leadership is about other people, it is about developing a community of leaders.
4. **A Big Idea** – Leadership is about mobilising people through vision and worthy goals.
5. **A Fire** – Leadership is about harnessing energy and creating an environment where people contribute.

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PIONEERED BY WOMEN, FOR WOMEN

Engage each other

Respect each other

Inspire each other

Care for each other

Support each other

Serve each other

Open up to each other

Nurture each other

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HOW DO WE WEAVE A TAPESTRY OF GREATNESS?

The weaver bird's story is about the wonder and the tenacity of weaver birds, the most able of all nest builders! Alas, the first efforts fall apart, but they keep learning and trying. Eventually they create a nest which happily holds together, giving the chance for the dance of attraction. The nests stay the distance and attract a mate.

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We too can learn from this winning formula:

- 1) **Thinking** with one mind.
- 2) **Being protective** of each other.
- 3) **Seeing** activities through to the end and in time.
- 4) **Being proactive** in decision making.
- 5) **Revering excellence** and be driven by excellence.
- 6) Keeping the young ones **protected** so they too can fly.
- 7) **Identifying and defining** the challenge.
- 8) **Searching** for unconventional and innovative ideas.
- 9) **Learning** the rules before you set out to break them.
- 10) **Breaking through**, cross domains and broadening your search.
- 11) **Staying** the distance, **enduring**, and being consistent.
- 12) **Revising** constantly till you get it right. Keep on keeping on!

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Being a woman is not a one day event but a lifetime experience so let us heed that call together and resource the future.

“Let Blessings come to Life!”
- Yvonne Busisiwe Kgame


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