

ICGB/AGM 2022 News sheet 1 October 2021

Dear Sisters in Christ,

As we begin to look toward the end of 2021, I am sure that as national teams you are preparing to join our First Ever Virtual ICGB and AGM.

At this point I thought you would appreciate having an overview of what needs to be done to book in for the conference, and also actions required for the Girls' Brigade International Council (GBIC) business matters that may be raised at the business meetings during the conference.

I know too that you will be keen to know some details about the conference program and how it is all going to work out.

Please see below and on the attached documents for the following:

1. Registration details

- Registration details will be sent out by 31st December 2021.
- The AGM will be open to 10 Official Delegates per Country and registration details will be available in 2022.

2. Business matters and deadlines

The GBI Council (GBIC), meets during the conference and Council delegates hear, discuss and decide matters important to GB development around the world. Issues raised will include GB's strategic vision, matters internal and external to GB that impact on The Girls' Brigade's mission and ministry, motions put forward by member countries and finances. This GBIC conference will be different as it will be virtual.

We asked you our members and some voted to have a virtual GBIC meeting, some voted for in person. We heard you all, however, the pandemic is still with us and we continue to pray for a time when we can get together again in person.

During this time, a new International President is elected for the next four years and a new International Treasurer is appointed.

Delegates and Eligibility

- Every member country of GBI is entitled to send voting delegates to the Council meetings at the conference, as follows:
 - **Up to 10 delegates** per member country may attend the business meetings. 50% of each delegation must be aged 18 – 30.
 - Each member country has 1 vote at the business meeting.
 - Countries that have paid their 2020-22 membership fees have 1 additional vote. This will be confirmed to the lead delegate of each country at the beginning of conference.
- Motions for discussion/proposal: - National Boards can submit motions for discussion by 28th February 2022.
- Nomination Forms 1.1 and 1.2 to be submitted by 28th February 2022.

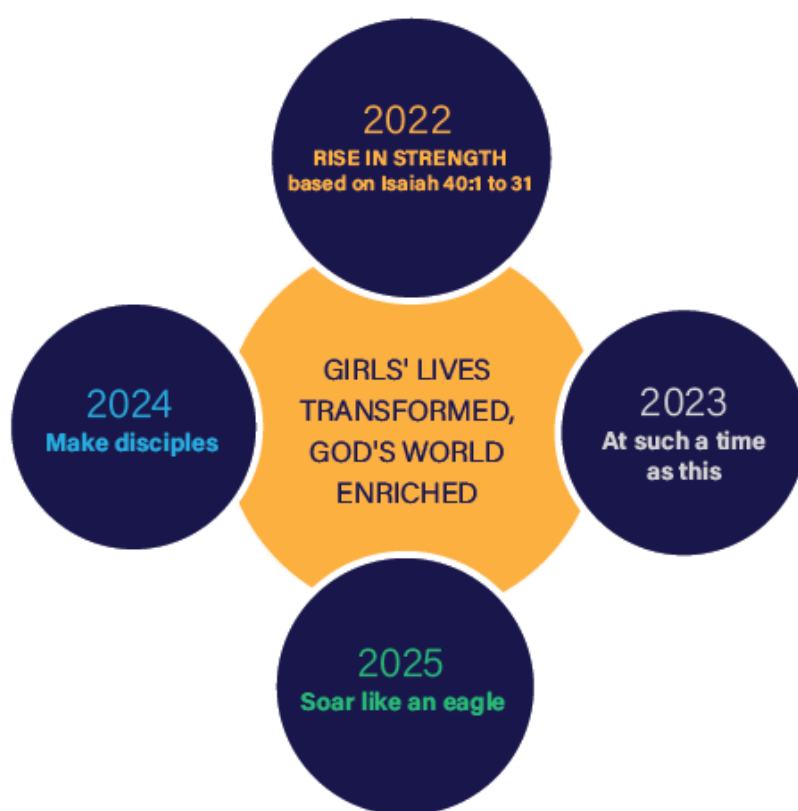
3. An overview of the conference

ICGB is intended as a time of fellowship, learning, worship and inspiration to feed our leadership of The Girls' Brigade around the world. It is a unique opportunity for GB leaders (local and national) to discover more about our mission in the various world contexts, and to have time to discuss together key issues of Christian mission.

The 2022 conference theme is:

RISE IN STRENGTH based on Isaiah 40:1 to 31

Each year for the next four years, the GBI team will produce a few thoughts and resources to help us all look at these elements of our four-year focus, 2022 to 2025:



- **2023** - RISE IN STRENGTH... AT SUCH A TIME AS THIS
- **2024** - RISE IN STRENGTH... MAKE DESCIPLES
- **2025** - RISE IN STRENGTH... SOAR LIKE AN EAGLE

PROGRAMMING

This is our first ever Virtual ICGB. We recognise that it will be challenging because of our different time zones. Some programmes maybe run twice to cater for the time differences. However, the first event and the final event to close off, would be ideal for everyone to attend at the same time, meaning we will have to compromise on the times. IPC has decided to run ICGB programmes over 6 months Lined up as follows: -

- **1ST Event, January 2022:** Prayer Gathering/Unpacking the theme/Opening ceremony - CAF Proposed
Date 29th January
- **2ND Event, March:** IWD, Link to CSW/GBIC Business 1 - 5th March IPC
- **3rd Event, April:** Gathering in different groups - 2nd April IPC
- **4th Event, May:** Networking/GBIC Business 2 – 21st May Europe
- **5th Event, June:** Celebrating 129 Years/GBIC Business 3 - 11th June Asia & Pacific
- **6th Event, July:** End of ICGB and **AGM**/Closing Ceremony - 29/30th July, CAF and Africa

As IPC, we would value your thoughts and feedback on the programme line up and any suggestions on the “Group Gatherings” and topics.

Suggested Groups are:

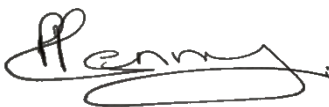
National Leaders (The President and two Executive members)

Company Leaders & Captains

18 to 25

26 to 35

Peace, Love and Joy,



Priscilla P. Penny

The International President

"For we walk by faith and not by sight".... to see girls' lives transformed: God's world enriched!

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