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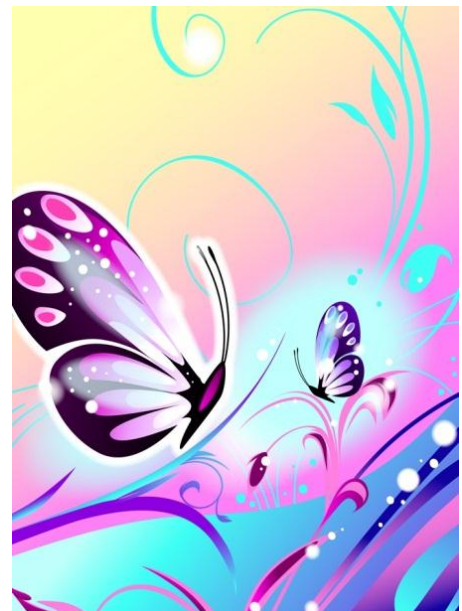
Congratulations iconz4girlz! In just three years our membership has grown to **more than 500** – this was the magical number we were trying to achieve to share at the Girls' Brigade National Conference. Well done everybody!

We have another new Unit starting at the beginning of Term Three – welcome on board Parklands Baptist. Parklands is one of Christchurch's eastern suburbs so

they have had more than their share of traumas in recent times. We honour these leaders who are embarking on this new mission outreach in difficult times.

Ultimate Programme

We have an incredible programme available for your Ultimate girls – those aged 14 years plus. Girls in this programme work with “mentors” rather than “leaders” and it is a real journey of discovering about themselves, their relationship with God and others, and the world around them. There are twenty different options known as “Apps” to choose from and five different choices within each App. We would expect that a girl would do about five of these in a year.



ULTIMATE PROGRAMME

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As usual this resource is available free of charge to any Unit working with girls in this age group. This includes a "Guidelines for Leaders" Booklet, an "I-achievement" journal for each girl, as well as all the programme material.

Our People

We are sad to have to say good bye to our friend, Joanna Elliot who has been such a wonderful asset to the Ministry Team over the last three years. Joanna is returning to her career in teaching. Thank you, Joanna, we wish you every blessing in this next chapter of your life.

Joanna represented IFG at the Girls' Brigade Conference and did this very well indeed. Joanna was presented with a gift and a thank you by Jennifer Box at the close of conference and Joanna's reply to conference was both encouraging and challenging, ending conference on a good, positive note for all.

Of course we are now seeking a new "Joanna". Any ideas?

The ladies pictured here work at our IFG Resource Centre. They look after the day to day running of Girls' Brigade NZ but also attend to your uniform requests and the IFG accounts. From left they are Dorothy, Elizabeth and Sue. You may get confused on the phone at first with Dorothy and Elizabeth as they are both from Scotland. You will probably have the most contact with Sue as she is the "go to girl" for uniforms, badge orders and account inquiries.



You are not going to believe this. Our Ministry Team Convenor, Jennifer Box, flies out this week for – wait for it – the Caribbean! Jennifer is the Vice President (Pacific) of the International Girls' Brigade Committee and is going there for a Presidents' meeting. Still, having to live in Dunedin for the rest of the year, I guess she deserves some time in the sun! Safe travels, Jennifer.

Facebook Launch

Esther from Oxford Baptist is working on the finer details of this now, so it should soon be up and running.

Programmes

Later in the year the Ministry Team will be starting on the review of all programmes. If you have ideas on how any of the badge subjects can be improved please let your regional Ministry Team person know. If you have any ideas for new subjects please send us those as well and we will add them to the additional subjects programme book.

Two comments that we have heard are that the girls want more “out there” subjects and the girls want to do the same as what the boys ICONZ are doing. Send in your “out there” subjects and we will write them up and if the girls want to do the boys’ stuff just do it. Let’s know if you need additional badges created for any of these and we will get them organised for you.

Training Days

These are happening in the North Island this month and we will report back when all three have been completed. (South Island’s turn is in the New Year when the presenters have another free Saturday available.)

Publicity

Deadline for Newsrap articles is August 17.

We would also like to include articles in the national magazine put out by the Church your Unit belongs to. This will be an excellent way of spreading the word about IFG to the other churches in your denomination. Look forward to your contributions.

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Please don’t hesitate to contact us if you have a query – or you want to share some GOOD NEWS!

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