



# SPOTLIGHT ON G.B. NIGERIA

## SPOTLIGHT ON OUR COUNTRY

Nigeria, our country, is situated in West Africa.

**Places to visit:** Jabi Lake in Abuja capital city

The Bar Beach in Lagos Western Nigeria,

Kurra Falls in Plateau State,

Yankari Game Reserve in Bauchi state NE Nigeria

Jos Wildlife Park in middle Nigeria.

Udi Hills in Eastern Nigeria. No mountains, only hills.

**Capital City** Abuja

**Population** About 130 million with 60% under age of 18 years.

**Economy** Agriculture and petroleum exploration (crude oil).

**Currency** Naira, ₦500 =1 dollar (Not stable).

₦600 = 1 pound sterling. / ₦500 = 1 Euro

**Language** English and up to 800 other languages

**Flag** Green (green vegetation), & White (peace and unity)

**Climate** Tropical climate, very hot, temp ranging from 20-39°C

## SPOTLIGHT ON A GB MEMBER

Hello,

My name is Darice I am 18 years old, I live in Gboko Benue state of Nigeria. I live with my parents and three siblings.

I attended Excel Grace Secondary school Gboko, Benue State.

I started GB as an explorer at age 4 years, I was taken there by my aunt who was also a member of GB. Presently I attend GB at 85<sup>th</sup> Benue company URCC Kontien (Universal Reformed Christian Church).

Our meeting days are Wednesdays and Fridays from 4:00pm – 6:00pm. During our meetings, we are taught the word of God and other programs like bead making, baking and physical activities. I enjoy dancing with my friends.

GB has helped me to know Christ and have a relationship with him, it has inculcated good morals in me, it has also helped me to be bold and an entrepreneur, I make beads and bake cakes for sale.

Darice



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## PHOTO GALLERY

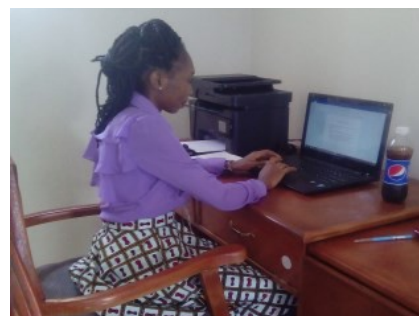
**Nigerian Brigade Members**



**Our Badges**



**At Work in our GB Office**



**GB Nigeria Executive**



**Nigerian Flag**





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Every GB country around the world has the same:

## Aim, Motto, Principles, Badge & Vision

But, look at the GB facts here and spot the similarities and differences between GB in our country and yours!

## Our History

The Girls' Brigade organisation started in Nigeria in 1942 by an SIM missionary lady called Marjorie Burrough, who came from the 1st Leyton company in England. She came to Nigeria to do church planting with her husband. She started Girls' Brigade with eight girls! Just look at how many members we have in Nigeria now!

## Statistics

Number of companies- 404

Number of members- 6254 (2016 figures)

## Age Groups & Sections

Explorers 3-8 years,

Juniors 9-11 years

Seniors 12-14 years

Brigaders 15-18 years

Non-commissioned officers (NCOs) 18 years and above

## Uniform

Ceremonial uniform is a white sleeveless gown (dress), navy-blue beret and red belt for Explorers. All other sections wear a white gown with shirt collar and short sleeves. Junior girls wear red ties, senior girls turquoise blue ties and the Brigaders' ties are maroon with stripes. Junior, Seniors and Brigaders wear a navy-blue sash and a navy-blue beret and belt. All sections wear white shoes with white socks. The non-commissioned officers wear a red sash. The officers' uniform is a white gown with shirt collar short sleeves, white belt and lanyard indicating their ranks e.g. captain, red lanyard, lieutenant-blue lanyard, and warrant officer -black lanyard.

## Programme

Girls' Brigade Curriculum:

**Spiritual:** memory work, recitation, Bible exposition (study), God's family, worship, prayers, Bible storytelling (for Explorers), mission, discipleship and counselling etc.

**Physical:** Dancing, figure marching, racing, walking, aerobics, skipping and many others.

**Service:** Body care, healthy living, baby care, babysitting, caring for the elderly and sick people.

**Education:** crafts, painting, beadmaking, flower arrangements, interior decoration, baking, juice making, tying of head scarf, facial treatments, needlework, knitting, photography and many others



## Awards

Girls of all ages win awards in all subjects taught for the year.

Explorers - work for STARS

Juniors - gain CIRCLES

Seniors - get SQUARES

Brigaders - earn TRIANGLES

(See pictures of badges in the photo gallery)

In every section the badges are coloured: white for spiritual, blue for physical, yellow for education and red for service.

We also have a badge to encourage perseverance and hard work.

## Activities

Camping is one of our favourite activities where girls and officers of different age groups and cultures interact with each other. Sightseeing, picnics, partying, visiting mission fields, orphanage homes etc. - are also part of our programme. We also enjoy competitions, sporting activities, cookery and craft exhibitions

## And Finally An Idea To Share

Try making Yam Balls, one of our national dishes.

**You will need:** 400g of yam flour.

Boil 900ml of water in a pot. Put a small amount aside.

Using a wooden spoon stir in the flour. Add extra hot water if needed. Form into balls. Cover the pot and cook for 3 minutes. Serve with hot vegetable soup.



Or... why not try working with beads and see what you can make? It is one of our favourite crafts.

## Find Out More

You can find out more about GB in Nigeria:

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