



SPOTLIGHT ON G.B. ZIMBABWE

SPOTLIGHT ON OUR COUNTRY

Zimbabwe is a landlocked country situated in the south of Africa between the Zambezi and Limpopo Rivers.

Places to visit:

The Victoria Falls (1,7km wide) (One of the 7 Wonders of the World)

The Kariba Dam (The world's largest man-made lake)

The Great Zimbabwe (The great ancient city of Zimbabwe)

The Eastern Highlands (Beautiful mountains)

Hwange National park (Largest park in Zimbabwe 7,770km²)

Capital City – Harare

Population – 15, 966, 810

Economy – Agricultural economy

Currency – Zimbabwean dollar (Z\$) also a multi currency nation including US\$, SA Rand, and Pula

Languages – English, Shona and Ndebele (2 major native languages + 12 other native tongues)

Climate – Savanna ecosystem—

Winter (130C) Summer (240C +)

National Flag



SPOTLIGHT ON A GB MEMBER

Hello GB Friends!!

My name is Tanyaradzwa Irene Mandengu.

I am 20 years old and I go to GB in Zimbabwe, Africa Fellowship. Currently, I am the African Millennial Ambassador for GB.

I am the second born and only girl in a family of three and my mom is the backbone of the family. Our family lives in a small town called Hatcliff in Harare. I love my family because we are a Christian family and we attend The Salvation Army church.

I completed my Ordinary level studies in 2015 and currently I am pursuing my studies towards nursing. I chose this channel because of the love that stems from within me to help others in need whilst it has also been groomed from various GB teachings.

My GB is held every Saturday in Hatcliff at the Salvation Army church and I am proud to be a Young Leader within the company. I love attending GB sessions in my company because it is one of the vibrant companies in Zimbabwe and there are amazing activities during our sessions. These include devotions, bible study, drill, games, dancing, singing, craft making, and moral lessons.

I enjoy GB because it has moulded me to be the girl I am today, I am Confident, Smart, God-fearing, I am loved. I am a multi-skilled young woman because of GB, I can knit, bake, cook, sew and make so many crafts. The prayers we do I have seen them answered and through that I have a positive view into life and faith in God.

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PHOTO GALLERY

Brigaders with their home made aprons



GB Zimbabwe Ceremonial Uniform





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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 Zimbabwe began in 1965 in the second capital city of Zimbabwe called Bulawayo. To date (2017) GB Zimbabwe celebrates 52 years of mission and ministry. Its current goal is to increase its membership. Could you think of a way to increase your company's membership?

Statistics

Number of companies: 17
GB Members: 250 (2016 figures)

Age Groups & Sections

EXPLORERS: 3- 6 years
JUNIORS: 7-10 years
BRIGADERS: 16-18 years
SENIORS: 11-15 years
OFFICERS: 18+

Uniform

Ceremonial uniform is worn for special occasions and includes white long-sleeved shirt, navy blue skirt. The Explorers wear a red sash on top of the shirt. All sections wear a navy blue tie and black shoes with white ankle-socks. Officers wear a navy suit, white open neck short-sleeved blouse and black shoes. The casual uniform includes GB T-Shirts, caps, sun hats and blouses.

Programme

Our programme is called SPES
Spiritual – devotions, bible study, memory verse and conducting a church service
Physical – drills, games, sports and exercises
Education – moral lessons (biblical/ advocacy/social)
Service – practically giving back to the community/ campaigns.

Awards

Explores – Star badges
Juniors - Circle badges
Seniors - Triangle badges
Brigaders - Brigader brooches



Activities

Apart from their weekly work at company level, members may get involved in competitions between different companies. These might include: Team Games, Girls' annual camps and GB Fun days. GBs in Zimbabwe enjoy mainly the "GB HAS TALENT" because girls get the opportunity to present their multiple talents. Why don't you try having this challenge and see what talents your girls have? There are also training weekends for Officers and new companies

Something Special You Should Know About Us

GB Zimbabwe is currently embarking on empowering young girls into first aid and nurse aid courses. Apparently these are offered free in Zimbabwe with some institutions. This would empower girls in their young age to fully provide service at home, church, school or the communities they function in.

Something To Find Out

In our country we have a tree called the Sausage Tree. See if you can find out why it is called that and what the tree is used for!

And Finally An Idea To Share

Please try making this simple cake even the juniors will be happy to be involved.

Ingredients: 200g margarine; 2 cups cake flour; 2tsp baking powder; 4 large eggs; 1tsp vanilla essence; 1 cup castor sugar, ¼ cup mazoe crush (orange juice)

Method: Cream margarine and sugar until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time to avoid curdling. Sieve flour, baking powder and add to the creamed mixture (fold in using a metal spoon). Add vanilla essence and orange juice. Pour into a lined and greased tin and bake at 180 degrees for 45 minutes or until golden brown.

Find Out More

You can find out more about GB in Zimbabwe on:

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