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50 years ago, G.B.'s uniforms were miniskirts, accompanied with a friendly smile.



The G.B. crest on the cap was totally different from the existing one! Moreover, the tie of the cadets was mainly red in colour, decorated with white patterns.



The first generation outdoor uniforms: white short-sleeved T-shirt (crest in the centre) and shorts. Well-designed for outdoor activities.



Later, the colour of T-shirt was changed to mango yellow, with the G.B. crest on the left chest. This has become the basic design of other uniforms afterwards. T-shirts were suitable for water sports too.





This 'Melon' T-shirt was the third-generation uniform; the orange and purple design at the back looked beautiful!



The fourth-generation T-shirt was mainly blue and yellow in colour. See how smart they look!

Purple T-shirt was launched in 2020 till now, aligning with the theme colour of G.B., making use of quickdrying fabrics, reflecting the spirit of the youth. Officers' uniforms remain mostly the same, yet quickdrying fabrics are used too, making outdoor activities more comfortable and movement more agile.



During the transition, cadets wore uniforms of various designs resembling an orchard of beauty!





Winter uniforms were maroon raglansleeved sweaters. They are warm, comfortable and fashionable.





G.B.'s full uniform enhances females' simple, natural and elegant temperaments. Since 2020, primary school cadets have started to wear culottes, which matched their liveliness better and make foot drilling much smoother. To meet the needs of the time, cadet award system has also undergone some changes since 2007.



G.B.'s Major Events in the Past Decade

Young Leader Reformation



The element of 'Servant Leader' has been added into the young leader training since 2000, enabling the words of the Bible to shape their lives.

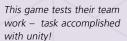
Since 2017, the young leader camp is held for young leaders from all four chevron courses, helping young leaders to get to know each other, and providing more chances for communications among companies. It was hoped that our future leaders would become more connected and more faithful to God.



Little Angel Campaign



Experiencing the joy of G.B. together!







Wow! Done! Making lots of friends. Let's join our G.B. family!



The Asia Officers' Conference held during July 1-4, 2016 was the first training camp that G.B. Hong Kong had ever hosted for Asia Fellowship officers! Coming from 7 regions, 115 officers gathered and enjoy the training camp, with the theme 'Be Courageous!'



The climax is the cultural exchange night on the third evening. Officers from varies countries wear school uniforms and national costumes to join the performance. You can tell how enjoyed they were from their smiles!

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Besides the workshops, of course we needed to explore the beautiful Hong Kong! We went for a city hunt on the second day morning.



Different countries, same salute. Not only as a same manner for a uniform group, but also a same respond to God's calling as G.B. officers!



G.B. officers from different countries wore their unique uniforms. Despite the language barrier, the same genuine smile showed that the love of God drove us to commit in G.B. mission with love!

'Proud To Be A Girl!' - Padman movie show



Thanks for the support and participation from the representatives of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Women League.

In Sep 2019, to kick off the 'Proud To Be A Girl!' project, a 'Pad Man' movie sharing session was organised in Telford Plaza, Kowloon Bay. It was wonderful to see a full house that day.



'Proud To Be A Girl!' - the First Sanitary Napkin Making Workshop



To make the sanitary napkins, participants needed to be focused and both hands had to coordinate well.



Cadets and their parents spent an afternoon making handicraft products - sanitary napkins - and turning them into a blessing. All products made were distributed to women in the remote places in Cambodia.



'Proud To Be A Girl!' workshop – it helped cadets understand that they should be proud of their gender since we were the creation of God! And yet in many countries, still many females feel ashamed of themselves during menstruation under the influence of traditional cultures.

G.B.'s Major Events in the Past Decade

'Proud To Be A Girl!'- a broadcasting project 'Small Interview & Great Discovery'



Interviewing Honorary Adviser Ms. Shirley Loo JP in order to understand her growth story, and her mental journey after devoting herself to serving families and the women community.



Interviewing YWCA's ministry staff to learn the story of the beneficiaries and understand what services do they provide to those women in need.

'Proud To Be A Girl!' - designing greeting cards



Knowing that girls in some places were under pressure, cadets from 79th company sent them self-drawn message cards, together with the hand-made sanitary napkins, as a means of encouragement.



Colour pens, stickers, creativity... cadets were exercising their talents! Girls from different places were united!

Adventurer



In 2017, to support and walk side by side with the young officers, and help them to get engaged in G.B. movement, experienced officers set up the 'SPARKS' Program. One year later, it was officially named 'Adventurer' group. All secondary school form 6 graduates in Pioneer group are welcome to join.



Monthly gatherings mainly focused on the building fellowship in Christ, which include the sharing of personal growth and companies' business, as well as broadening their global outlook, participating in overseas exchange programs and trainings.



to rest in the hustle and bustle of daily life.

Walk With Love



This checkpoint was 'Feeding Bananas'. Without being instructed, the blindfolded participant was required to feed her partner with a banana!





After the completion of the fund-raising activity 'Walk with Love', cadets and parents of 2nd Company were taking a photo together. See how smart they looked wearing the medals!

Have one more banana! Cadets were more agile than the parents. She finished eating half of the banana in one bite. Task completed!

The annual life camp was indispensable, making it possible

The Development of G.B. during the Pandemic

During the past decade, three years of which were under the influence of the pandemic, this was beyond our plan. Thank God, His wisdom is beyond our imagination. During this time, we learned to communicate through various platforms and channels. His almighty hands lifted G.B. up from the torrent, guiding us back to our core value – people oriented – so that we could continue to nurture females' lives in this new era. Adverse environment could never stop the work of God; He even helped us build a new way out!

Changing Gear for the Challenges • Breaking through and Walking Together (Training and local activities)

Due to the pandemic, the trainings of G.B. have undergone transformations. Instead of having face-to-face lessons, courses were carried out in the form of both face-to-face and online. We made good use of the flexibility of online platforms for lecturing, and organized face-to-face interactions and sharing. To show our concern to members' spiritual and mental health during the pandemic, besides the usual trainings, G.B. also organized a series of brand new programmes.

Story Books for Spiritual Growth Courses for Junior and Senior Sections

Through interesting, creative artworks, cadets understood the important traits for personal growth, and were equipped to adapt to the beginning of the new academic year under the pandemic.





Online Meetings Organized by the Headquarters

Since it was impossible for companies to organize any regular meetings, our Headquarters launched online gatherings for all companies immediately. Staff from the Headquarters coordinated officers and young leaders to take turns to lead the hymns,

devotion time and weekly programmes, which covered various awards. Cadets could continue their G.B. life, to interact with and encourage one another even under the pandemic.





The Online Dedication Ceremony

The Dedication Ceremonies in these few years were different. Due to the pandemic, some companies did this online. Although they could not physically hug one another, they still highly cherish this annual ritual and memorable day, which was a means to make a vow to God in the presence of the audience.







Thanksgiving Service and Award-Presentation Ceremony

Annual Parade cum Thanksgiving Service 2020 was broadcast live in YouTube. Instead of marching in the parade, members joined the service online, which was the very first attempt in the past 60 years. Cadets were excited to leave their messages in YouTube. We started a new mode in the new era to communicate with the youth under the pandemic.







The Development of G.B. during the Pandemic

Officers Training and Support

Under the theme 'Spiritual Health', we organized a mindfulness workshop. Officers learned to relax through exercising mindfulness. Moreover, through 'Pastel Nagomi Art Workshop', officers cultivated temperament and adjusted their mindset so as to face the fast-changing life pace under the pandemic.





Parent-child Baking Class - HYAB and Family Council Activity

Time spent with family was greatly increased due to school suspension. Making use of this opportunity, we organized an icy mooncake making workshop. Through online teaching, parents and children could cooperate to produce festive food as well as improve their communication. Making mooncakes at home – easy job!







Distribution of anti-pandemic blessing bags

In the beginning of the pandemic, people lived in fear and many activities were cancelled. G.B. grabbed the chance to produce some blessing packages for members and people in need. Besides spreading the message of love, it was also a way to protect ourselves and face adversities together in this difficult time.





Boundless Love • The Unchangeable Truth (Exchange, Publications and Media)

Pandemic stopped us from visiting other countries and yet G.B. still took part in international activities and broadened our horizons through online platforms.

Girls' Brigade Asia Fellowship Virtual Chorus

The Girls' Brigade Asia Fellowship organized an online prayer meeting on 30th January 2021, praying for the needs of G.B. Asia and the whole world. Before the gathering, the Fellowship invited representatives from different countries to sing 'This is my Father's World' so as to announce the message - God is the king of the world, praise Him!



The Development of G.B. during the Pandemic

Online Gathering with G.B. Overseas

Not being able to leave Hong Kong temporarily? Online communication was still a way out! Hong Kong's 17th company and Malaysia's 1st company held a joint online gathering. Hong Kong cadets introduced the cultures of our traditional Chinese New Year, connecting members from the other side of the world. What a good experience!

The Pandemic has become an important opportunity for G.B. to develop online and publishing work! The delay of various face-to-face activities gave us time to reorganize and explore ways to 'tell a good story of G.B.' so as to make both Hong Kong and the cyber world have a better understanding of our organization, as well as urging them to participate in G.B.'s movement.





My Color-full Diary

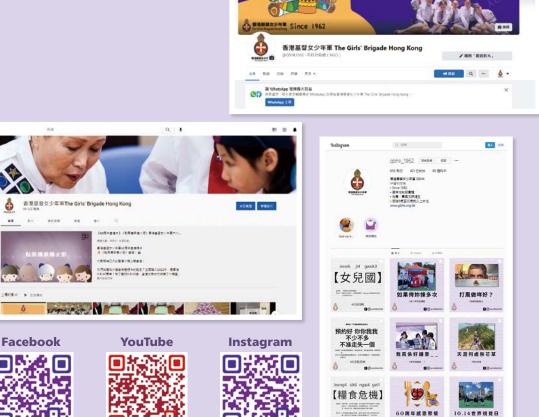
G.B.Hong Kong printed our first coloring book to promote the importance of personal spiritual needs as well as to encourage readers to show concerns and support to others. Through translating G.B. Thailand's Psalm 23 booklet, accompanied with simple quizzes and illustration for coloring, readers could feel relaxed and be comforted by the Words of God.





Development of Online Communication Tools

The Internet is an indispensable tool, especially in the era of 'one person, one smartphone'. In recent years, G.B. has put a lot of effort on online communication and publicity, to establish the value of G.B. females in the image of Jesus.



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Reviewing what has happened in the past decade, the past three years were particularly difficult. Yet at the same time, we were walking in the path full of blessings. Facing the coming 60 years, we hope we would still be under the blessings of God, and continue to help females in Hong Kong, especially young ladies, be equipped as servant leaders and become influential leaders in various posts in the new era.

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60th Anniversary Special Events

Candle-making workshop

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To align with the theme of G.B. 60th Anniversary: 'Count God's Grace, Call for Succession, Commit to Shine', a candle-making workshop was organized for chaplains and officers. Through the making of their own gel candle holders, the technique and message was passed on to the companies' cadets, realizing the act of 'Call for Succession'. Candlemaking symbolizes the uniqueness of individuals, the differences in character traits, hobbies... All are the creation of God; everyone is special and unique.

'G.B. 60 Challenge' Fund-raising Activity

Due to the pandemic, it was impossible for G.B. to organize any mass events. To overcome the hurdle, we adopted a new fundraising mode - 'working collaboratively on individual projects', and successfully launched the 'G.B. 60 Challenge'. The purpose of 'G.B. 60 Challenge' was to raise money for the long-term development of women's projects and the establishment of the training centre. Participants were to complete tasks related to '60', including the challenge of physical strength, the challenge of spiritual growth, and the challenge of creative arts and so on. Everybody did their best to help raising funds. Thank you for the support from our members and friends. In the end, some activities were performed face-to-face while some were broadcasted online simultaneously. The program was concluded with a sharing section.







Shooting the video 'Passing On The Light'

To celebrate G.B.'s 60th Anniversary, all companies in Hong Kong took part in the production of the video 'Passing On The Light' to demonstrate our togetherness and passed on the torch, the symbol on our crest. Thanks to the whole-hearted participation of advisors, officers and members, two versions of the video were launched - the 'Celebrations' and 'Interviews'. Thanks God for His guidance throughout the past 60 years and His blessings for various companies and women of all ages. We hope to pass on God's true light and love to the coming generations through the videos.



60th Anniversary Logo and Souvenirs Design Competition

Cadets and officers from different companies passionately participated in designing logos and various souvenirs, including God-sip Bear stickers, uniform-accessory-canvas bag, and coasters. Each and every piece was designed and drawn whole-heartedly, to celebrate G.B.'s 60th Anniversary. The winning products were turned into souvenirs and sold in charity sales. Money raised will be used to support the G.B.'s ministry.



60th Anniversary Award

In 2022, we welcomed G.B.'s 60th Anniversary through reviewing and restructuring the four domains of the awards. Whoever succeed in completing the course in any three out of the four domains, namely spiritual, physical, educational and social, would receive a 60th Anniversary award.







Scan the QR code to watch our promotional video: 'Passing On the Light – Interviews' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7qSN3aDObeI

G.B. International Conference

International G.B. President visiting Hong Kong in 2013

Ruth Chikasa (G.B. International President) visited the Navigators in H.K.S.K.H. Tai Wo Neighbourhood Elderly Centre when she came to Hong Kong.





Ruth, accompanied by her husband, attended an evening banquet organized by GBHK.



Ruth attended the young leader graduation camp at Chinese YMCA Wu Kai Sha Youth Village

ICGB 2014



The international conference that attracted the most members from Pioneer group was the trip to Perth in 2014; it was a satisfying experience for everyone.





During 2014 ICGB, participants totally committed in group discussions and thus a generation of new young leaders was nourished. Look! No one felt uneasy while communicating in English. Everyone was eager to share their experiences.

The conference arranged a candlelight session to light the G.B. crest. Despite the great difference in temperature between day and night, they were moved by the candle lights and felt their unity and love.



This ICGB helped GBHK and Asia fellowship members built up friendship. The participants took a photo with the Malaysian officers.

G.B. International Conference



In the cultural exchange night, cadets and officers from different countries put on their traditional costumes, singing and dancing together.



Taking a photo with the rainbow during the visit to Victoria Falls, which is located at the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe.



We took photos with G.B. cadets, officers and chaplain from different countries during the opening ceremony of the conference.



Officers and cadets of 33rd Company attended that ICGB. The age group of HK members was broad!

G.B. Asia Fellowship & Overseas Exchange



Representatives from the Philippines and Hong Kong extended a warm welcome to one another.



Though we are from different countries, speaking different languages, we are still united in Christ.

We are ready to set off to reach out and explore the community.



Officers wore their national costumes at the cultural exchange night. How graceful!



Uniforms of different countries are unique in their own ways. Can you spot the similarity? (Answer: all uniforms are mainly white or blue in colour.)

G.B. Asia Fellowship & Overseas Exchange

Exchange in Malaysia 2014



Short missionary/exchange trip activity – tasting Malaysian local food Prawn fritters ('Moon shaped Cake'). Thanks for the hospitality of the Malaysian officers.



Attending the Sabah Malaysian church gathering. Language barrier did not hinder our fellowship in Christ - we worshipped and prayed as a family.



On the second day in Sabah, we set off to visit the 1st Sapulut GB Company, where Hong Kong cadets witnessed the humble service of the Malaysian cadets and young leaders and got inspired.



God's creation is full of wonders. Birdsongs, fragrant plants and tranquility helped us get closer to Him. We were able to take a bath due to the rain God sent. God's grace is enough for us.



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The next activity was to visit another church in Sabah and worship with the church company there.



Thank God! A cadet in 72^{nd} Company decided to accept Jesus as her savior during the trip. It was so touching that we cried in gratitude.



Thanks to the Malaysian officer, we were able to visit 'TENOM COFFEE Since 1960' and get to know the process of coffee making.



After visiting Malaysia Masland Methodist Church, we participated in the church's visit to Agape Centre in Sibu. That was the very first time we had ever served SEN children. United, we co-operated well, making good use of our talents. With the help of the local officers interpreting for us, we completed the tasks in the grace of our Lord.



Malaysian missionary exchange helped enhance the friendship among cadets from 33rd, 46Bth, and 72nd company.



Thank you President of G.B. Singapore Ms. Tay, Ms Yong, Ms. Wong, Group Council members of Sabah and Masland, and various companies' officers for their hospitality. We departed merrily though reluctantly on the last day.

G.B. Asia Fellowship & Overseas Exchange







Officers, committee members, and staff members attended the Asia Officers' Conference, through which they shared their blessings experienced in G.B., encouraged each other and prayed.

Seeking God's vision; expanding the kingdom of God.



Attending G.B. Singapore's 90th anniversary thanksgiving evening party and sharing God's love and blessings with officers from various countries.