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ADVENT MESSAGE 2018 FROM THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

For unto us a King is Born. !!

2018 has been and has gone so fast. It has been a year full of excitement and celebrations as we looked 125 years back !! What a journey it has been.!!! We celebrate and salute those who were before us, our Pioneers, for answering to His call for a Mission for girls. We take pride in being the Oldest, strongest Christian movement for girls.

Ebenezer !! Thus far He has taken us !!. But having come this far we face a challenge to Remain relevant and responsive to the Generation of Today, while maintaining our Christian values. A group of us want to do things the way we have always done. Any deviation is met with anger and demands to do what we have always done. But that same passion is not evident about participating in work of the Gospel to transform lives. We spend hours discussing protocol, programmes, uniforms and sometimes we forget about the great Commission. Where is our focus as GB ?

We go into the New year on the heels of ICGB 2018, where we were challenged to be Fruitfull and overflowing. Some of the key words/phrases that should continue to speak to us and help us start our journey for the next 125 years, *Intentional*, *Pioneer Again*, *Understand the Soil*, *Be Authentic*, *Embrace Technology*, *Be Innovators*, *Tell People how good your fruit is(Be Masterful)*, *Gusty (Champion our Uniqueness)*, *Make People (Girls) our priority*.

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As we celebrate the Birth of Christ this Christmas may we be truly thankful and pray that we will " Be Joyful" despite the pressures of this world and continue to Abide in Him and Bear fruit. Romans 12 : 12.. " Be Joyful in Hope, Patient in affliction, Faithful in Prayer "

I take this opportunity to wish you all and your families a Very blessed Christmas and all the best for 2019. !!!

*****HAPPY HOLIDAYS*****

Peace, Love and Joy,



Priscilla P. Penny

International President

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