

The Girls' Brigade International Council The European Fellowship

Hello Everyone!

The European Fellowship is the part of the Girls' Brigade family made up of England and Wales, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Romania. The Fellowship has some 62,000 members and is working in over 12,000 companies. As you will see from our mission statement, the aim of the fellowship is to support and encourage our member countries, helping them to accomplish the world wide aim of our organisation of helping girls and young people to meet with Jesus.

I have been privileged to lead the fellowship since April 2006 and am continually amazed at all that is happening around GB Europe:

- National Boards striving to create structures and constitutions able to meet the changing world of the 21st century.
- Work groups developing modern programmes and planning events which meet the needs of the young women living in a changing and developing culture
- Faithful leaders providing secure environments and building relationships that are lasting and valued.
- Young people who are passionate in their faith and responsive to Christ's call to follow him.
- Christian women seeking to bring the message of God's love to the unchurched young people in their corner of the world.

What a privilege to work with all these people!

Part of the purpose of the Fellowship is to encourage its leaders and each year we hold a conference to help us to do just that. If you are a GB leader this annual conference is for you. If you ever feel you need some space for yourself, if you could do with a word of encouragement, if you would you benefit from having time with like minded people to meet with God and listen to Him..... then don't miss this conference. Look out for times and places and book yourself in.

Christian Blessings
Vivienne Aitchison
(European Fellowship Chairman)

PS Have you seen 2 of the new initiatives GB Europe has been involved in launching recently – **Seek. Serve. Follow** our refreshing faith building resource for leaders

AND

the **helpsheet resources** working with children in need of additional support.