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NCFI planning a  
virtual World  
Congress in 2021



Photo: JNCF English class

## A World Congress project for Japan NCF



In preparation for the NCFI World Congress this year, Japan NCF formed an English class to assist Japanese nurses planning to attend. Dorothy Lam who was a short term missionary in Japan willingly assisted in this project. When she went home to New Jersey, USA in March due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, she was willing to continue to hold the class online once or twice a month for us.

Dorothy helped us to finish an English version of the JNCF brochure in April, and also helped us work on a description of JNCF in English for the NCFI web site. For this project, Saki and I wrote to her first to discuss the contents together and it gradually came together. Dorothy is a good teacher, and the 6 JNCF English Class members got

involved not only in learning English ,but in learning more about NCF. They came to know what and how to share our ministry to nurses, and about the history of NCF in Japan.

I wanted to share with you these activities because this class became for us a rich source of learning and thinking about JNCF and our ministry. The attendees were of the younger generations and they are the ones who will receive NCF ministry baton in the near future. We believed that God was preparing them both for NCFI Congress and JNCF. It is a very special provision of God for me and JNCF.

The World Congress was not able to be held this year because of the global pandemic, but NCFI is planning a virtual Congress in July 2021 that many nurses will be able to attend. Our Japanese nurses will continue to prepare as we look forward to the Congress next year. Please pray for us, and for our JNCF Committee as well.

Chieko Fukushima, President, JNCF



# New International Board Online

In June this year a new NCFI Board was appointed for the 2020 - 2024 term. Over the next four years they will guide the work and be actively involved in taking forward the vision and mission of NCFI. Due to the postponement of the World Congress and Board meetings this year, they have been meeting on Zoom to get to know each other and to begin carrying out the Strategic Plan. You can meet them on the new NCFI - IICN website [www.ncfi.org](http://www.ncfi.org), and read about the eight Board Committees and their roles.



NCFI Board in the Zoom Room (Tove Gisk, President in centre). Not all members are shown on screen.

## The goals of the NCFI strategic Plan

- Expand the network of prayer and praise across the organization
- Achieve a sustainable financial and administrative infrastructure to accomplish the aims of the organization
- Support the growth and development of the International Institute of Christian Nursing to equip nurses in professional practice, education and collaborative research
- Expand the organization through outreach to new countries, and increase activities with volunteers, students and retirees.
- Maintain an effective worldwide communication and collaboration network
- Plan, organize and evaluate international conferences - normally held every four years - as a way to fulfill the mission of NCFI
- Develop key partnerships across like-minded organizations and institutions.
- Represent Christian nursing in the global nursing health care.

International Board members from NCFI regions will keep member countries in close touch with further plans and development, and will value your prayers.

## New Web Site for NCFI - IICN

This month NCFI launched a brand new web site! By combining our two existing sites we are now able to provide easier access to all our resources and a seamless way for visitors to discover more about NCFI and the International Institute of Christian Nursing.

**Features include:** the six world regions of NCFI and their member countries, professional development courses and training programs you can use to strengthen your Christian life and witness as a nurse, nursing related Bible studies and devotionals, newsletters and the CNI Journal. You will find us at the same address, [www.ncfi.org](http://www.ncfi.org)

## A Virtual NCFI World Congress in 2021

**Opportunities and  
Challenges in Nursing Today:  
A Christ-Centered Response**

Following the postponement of the 2020 World Congress due to the global pandemic, NCFI are planning a virtual Congress for July 2021. Main speakers have notified their willingness to be available next year and the theme will be the same. Once this can be confirmed, further information will be given.



The Media and Technology Committee of the International Board provides leadership and oversight for NCFI communications, including the NCFI-IICN web site, social media, and an online newsletter. The committee also prepares promotional materials for the organization.

We are keen to receive news that can be used to share what is happening in NCFIs and among Christian nurses around the world. We may share this through our newsletter, social media, web site, brochures or other promotions, so permission to publish would be needed. Good quality photos (sharp and well lit) are especially useful if they depict nurses interacting at NCF events, or nurses in the work place.

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