



NCFI

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P2. Theme announced for Congress 2024. New videos released on NCFI YouTube.

## Annual Conference of NCF in Sierra Leone



Dr Tove Giske from Norway



Newly elected President Ambrose Amara G Koroma

In February, members of NCF Sierra Leone gathered for an Annual Conference, and to inaugurate their new officers. There were 150 participants, including 82 Student nurses. The Theme for the conference was Biblical Leadership for Nurses and Midwives. Dr Tove Giske, past President of NCFI was the guest speaker.



## Managing Challenging Times

The NCFI European Conference recently held in Bergen Norway (21-23 April) had a relaxed schedule, giving lots of time for relationship building and reflection on the theme, How to Manage Challenging Times for Nurses.

Time together included a trip to the mountains to enjoy some of the beautiful scenery around Bergen. Venue for the conference was the VID Specialized University in Bergen.



Group excursion. See next page for more pictures.

# Theme announced for NCFI World Congress

## Strength and Courage to Care: *God's Love and Resources for Nurses and Midwives*

is the theme for the 2024 Quadrennial World Congress. It speaks to the primary purpose of our first in-person congress since 2016. That is to build up nurses spiritually and professionally, following the strains of the global pandemic, and the conflicts occurring in many parts of our world.

We acknowledge the importance of those concepts in nursing, and note the focus on *moral courage* and *strength based nursing* in current nursing literature. The need for strength and courage is not exclusive to Christian nurses and midwives, and we hope that those of other faiths and no faith will also be interested in exploring a Christian perspective on these two issues. The theme's title and subtitle will provide a rich opportunity to do this, both through both professional papers and and Bible teaching.



Conference venue, Casa Diocesana, Malaga, Spain.



Malaga, on the Costa del Sol (coast of the sun), Spain

An Ancient Chinese Philosopher once said, “*Being deeply loved gives you strength. Loving deeply gives you courage*”. This is universally true, but to a Christian it speaks of God’s love and the strength we draw from it, and of the courage to care through the extension of this love to others.

It is not too early to save and plan to be in Spain for the next NCFI World Congress! God willing we will once again meet in person for this unique event that brings together Christian nurses from around the world.

Click on the image to see a video preview of Congress.



Further details and key dates for Congress and Pre Congress courses will be released soon on the NCFI website page, including call for abstracts, and earlybird registration. Go to: [NCFI World Congress - NCFI / IICN](https://www.ncfi.org/world-congress-2024)

## European Conference Continued.

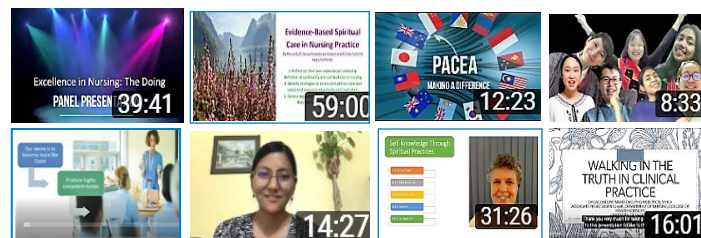


The NCFI Region of Europe is very diverse, culturally, politically and economically. Yet Christian nurses in Europe are connecting with each other despite the differences in languages, nursing traditions, and large movements of nurses around the region.



Rosa Lopez of Spain is the Chair for this NCFI Region.

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