

HOW DID GIRLS CLUBS BEGIN

As a result of prayer and vision, the International Department of Women's Ministries initiated Young Ladies Ministries in 1969. The department was seeking to minister to and train young women in Christian graces and lifestyle. This vision was prompted by the desire to obey the scriptural admonition which exhorts the older women to teach the younger women. (Titus 2:3-5)

As the YLM grew in number, the need for clubs for younger girls was realized. Therefore, Joy Belles was introduced in 1974, Bluebelles in 1984, and Little Sweethearts in 2002.

These clubs are the result of the giving of many hours by a number of dedicated women who cared enough to share their time, energy, and special abilities. Those who first saw the need and initiated this ministry are now joined by the many coordinators, prayer mothers, pastor's wives and laywomen who foster and promote this successful ministry today and into the future.

