

Aglow Generations

How To Start: Guidelines For National And Local Leaders

Our heart is to see women and men of all ages participate in the ministry of Aglow. You are raising up leaders and moving the ministry forward in your nations. Great treasure you have to hand to the next generation.

In the “How to Start” Generations guidelines we share ideas for how you can involve young people in the Aglow ministry. The “How To Get Involved” guidelines are designed for you to copy and give to young people that are interested in getting involved in Aglow and people of all ages interested in starting a new Generation Group.

Aglow is mobilizing millions around the world into a company of warriors, champions, and global leaders of significance.

Aglow Generations is…

Aglow Generations is an integral part of Aglow International with a focus on raising the next generation. In Generations, we want to bring forth fresh, new growth in the fertile spiritual ground that has been tilled in Aglow International for 50 years. In each nation powerful Kingdom communities are being founded on the fullness of Christ where people of all ages are empowered to know who they are in Christ and make Him known in their communities, bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to earth.

One generation shall praise your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.

Psalm 145:4

The heart of Aglow Generations is young people being active and empowered in the Aglow ministry. **We need the wisdom of the older and the zeal of the younger.** Jane Hansen Hoyt shares, *if I could pick one thread that runs through Aglow, I would say that it is relationship. You can walk into an Aglow anywhere in the world and you will feel instantly “at home.”* There is a place for all generations in Aglow!

Ways You can Involve Young People in Aglow:

* + Invite them to attend and participate in a local fellowship, event or outreach
	+ Have an open and welcoming heart for younger generations.
	+ Give local meetings and events a multi-generational appeal and involvement
	+ Start a mentoring and/or *GameChangers* Processing Group
	+ Support those interested to start a Generations Group
	+ Encourage young adults to be active in an existing Generations Group
	+ Invite a young adult to serve on an Aglow Local Fellowship or National Board when you recognize a leadership gift in them.
	+ Note to National Leaders: When Aglow Generations Groups grows sufficiently in your nation, you may want to appoint a Generations National Coordinator to your Board. They would need to meet the qualifications of the National board members.
	+ Encourage local fellowships to have outreach/activity for kids and teens
	+ Support young people to attend Aglow’s Global Conference & the Generations meeting
	+ Invite young people on the Aglow Israel Trip or a Transformation Trip
	+ Give young people information to participate in Global Prayer Calls with hundreds worldwide
	+ Collect contact information for young adults and teens involved in Aglow in your nation and send to Aglow headquarters. The young people will receive updates of what God is doing around the world in Aglow and Aglow Generations. They can also like our Facebook page and visit our website with updated events and testimonies: www.facebook.com/aglowgenerations and www.aglowgenerations.org
	+ Send contact info to Aglow headquarters, Generations Director: generations@aglow.org

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| Name | Age | Country | Email address |

* + \*This information is only for Aglow’s database and will not be shared anywhere else.

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| Types of Involvement in Aglow Generations |
| 1. Young people participating in the Local Fellowship
	* Ages: teens-30s Attend & Participate in Meetings
	* Multi-Generational Meetings
 | 1. Generations Leader Serving on a Local Fellowship
	* Ages 18-30s
	* A young adult can be invited to serve as a leader on a Local Board
 | 1. Aglow Generations Groups for Young Adults
	* Ages 18-30s
	* Affiliated Generations Groups
 | 1. Aglow Generations Groups for Kids and Teens
	* Ages 5-11 Kid’s Groups and 12-17 Teen’s Groups
	* Outreach of Local Fellowship & Affiliated Groups
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1. Young People Participating in Local Fellowships

We encourage the Aglow local fellowship groups to have a mixture of ages involved. God designed for the generations to be together, blessing and encouraging one another.

We encourage leaders to:

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

 Proverbs 22:6

* + Invite young adults to: lead worship, do announcements, lead prayer, or testify. Allow young people to use & develop their gifts in your meetings.
	+ Make meetings relevant to multiple generations. Invite speakers of different ages.
	+ Have creative activities that allow the different ages to work together.
	+ Invite young people who want to grow spiritually, need a mentor or a place to belong.
1. Generations Leader Serving on a Local Board

The Local Fellowship Board can appoint a young person to serve as a leader on their board. To do so, the Leadership Team would need to send in a Change of Information Form for the Generations leader and have them fill out a Leadership Questionnaire.

The value of this is to:

* + Bring a young perspective and voice onto a Local Fellowship Board
	+ Train the young person to serve the local group and be an active leader
	+ Bring creativity to multiple generations participating in the Local Fellowship
	+ Help draw young people to be active in local groups
	+ Encourage the young people to develop their gifts.
	+ Connect and communicate with National Generations Coordinator (if their county has someone serving in this position) and Aglow’s Generations Director at Headquarters.
1. Aglow Generations Groups for Young Adults

A young adult or any age above can start and lead an Aglow Generations Group for young people ages 18-30s.

* + The group has one leader and as many co-leaders as needed.
	+ Examples of types of groups: College, Young Adults, Young moms, Young Couples, Young Professionals
	+ See the “How to Get Involved: Guidelines for Aglow Generations” section for more types of groups, outreach ideas and how they affiliate.
1. Aglow Generations Groups for Kids and Teens

Aglow groups for Teens or Kids can be organized as an outreach of a Local fellowship.

* + A committed adult (or 2) can organize a monthly meeting for teens or young children as an outreach of the Local fellowship.
	+ The adult(s) would serve as the leader of the group and plan teachings and activities focused to the needs of the age group.
	+ The adults can involve the teens in various ways to raise them up in leadership skills.
	+ A Kids group can serve as “child care with a purpose” during the monthly Aglow fellowship
	+ Generations Groups for teens can also affiliate as a separate group.
	+ A teen, young adult or older can lead a teen group.
	+ They would need to fulfil the qualifications and guidelines for affiliation.
	+ See the “How to Get Involved: Guidelines for Aglow Generations” section for more types of groups, outreach ideas and how they affiliate.
	+ Leaders would relate to the National Board and the Generations Director at Aglow Headquarters.

The Start of a Generations Group and Who They Relate To

When there is interest in starting a Generations Group for young adults or teens in your community the intended leaders connect with a Local or National Board. **All Generations Groups and leaders are approved by the National board.** The Local or National Leaders connect and pray with the leaders. The Generations Groups are under the National Leadership and they receive the completed affiliation paperwork and leadership questionnaires for the group. Then all completed affiliation information is sent in to Aglow Headquarters. If a Generations Group is started out of a local fellowship or in the same town of a Local Fellowship, they can relate to each other and the Local Fellowship can be their main connection and accountability.