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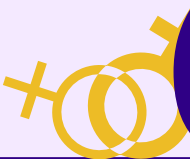
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# Editor's Note



Distinguished Readers,

As we celebrate this edition of our newsletter, themed "Her Impact," we take a moment to honor the remarkable contributions of women within JCI Nigeria and beyond. Women have continually broken barriers, shattered glass ceilings, and paved the way for future generations to thrive in leadership and service. Unlike many leadership organizations where women struggle to rise, JCI Nigeria has been an exceptional platform that not only supports but actively empowers women to lead and create meaningful change.

In our 68 years of existence, JCI Nigeria has produced eight female National Presidents, a testament to the inclusive and progressive nature of our organization. These women have not only led but have inspired others to step forward, take up responsibilities, and make their voices heard. Their leadership has shown younger generations that gender is never a limitation when purpose, passion, and perseverance are at play.

This month, we spotlight some of the incredible women in JCI Ibadan who have excelled in their respective fields and contributed immensely to our community. From educational pioneers to digital storytellers, their journeys remind us of the power of resilience, commitment, and impact. We also commemorate International Women's Day 2025, where JCI Ibadan took bold steps in gender advocacy, engaging young female students and encouraging them to challenge societal norms and embrace their full potential.

As we move forward, let this edition serve as a call to action. Let's continue to create an environment where women can thrive, lead, and inspire. Together, we can build a future where impact knows no gender and opportunities are limitless. Enjoy this edition, and let's keep making an impact!

**JCI Amb Olansile Olanrewaju**

2025, Chairman Editorial Board,  
JCI Ibadan

# Her Impact: Women Thriving in Leadership at JCI Nigeria

For decades, JCI Nigeria has stood out as an exceptional organization where women are not just included but empowered to lead, excel, and make a lasting impact. Unlike many leadership organizations where breaking the glass ceiling remains a struggle, JCI Nigeria has consistently provided equal opportunities for women, enabling them to take up top leadership positions and inspire future generations.

From boardrooms to project execution, from advocacy to nation-building, women in JCI Nigeria have played pivotal roles in shaping the organization's legacy. They have led with vision, broken barriers, and paved the way for others to rise, demonstrating that leadership is about competence, commitment, and impact—not gender.

## **Breaking Barriers, Setting Records**

In 68 years of JCI Nigeria's existence, the organization has proudly produced eight female National Presidents, a testament to its commitment to gender inclusivity and empowerment. These women did not just occupy positions; they redefined leadership, challenged norms, and proved that women can lead at the highest levels.

Their success has been a beacon of hope and inspiration for young women within and beyond the organization, reinforcing the message that there are no limits to what women can achieve when given the right platform and support.

## **A Network of Support & Mentorship**

One of the greatest strengths of JCI Nigeria is its culture of mentorship and support. Women who have walked the path of leadership continue to lift others, nurture talents, and provide guidance, ensuring that the next generation of female leaders is equipped with the confidence, skills, and experience needed to thrive.

Through initiatives, training programs, and networking opportunities, JCI Nigeria creates an enabling environment where women can excel, make a difference, and contribute meaningfully to their communities and beyond.

## **More Work to Be Done**

While we celebrate the achievements of women in JCI Nigeria, we acknowledge that there is still more ground to cover. Raising the bar for women in leadership means continuously pushing for more representation, amplifying voices, and creating even greater opportunities for women to lead and transform society.

As we reflect on Her Impact, let's continue to support, uplift, and empower women to dream bigger, lead boldly, and inspire the next generation. Because when women thrive, we all win.



# Women Leadership



**JCI Amb. Olajumoke Adelabu**  
JCI Ibadan President 2025



**JCI Amb. Toyin Atanda**  
JCI Nigeria President 2025



**JCI SEN Sandra Ekene Efemuaye**  
JCI Nigeria President 2024



**JCI SEN Onyinyechukwu Mbeledogwu**  
JCI Nigeria President 2020



**JCI SEN Adetola Akinola**  
JCI Nigeria President 2019



**JCI SEN Adelayo Abass**  
JCI Ibadan President 2017

# Women Leadership

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**JCI SEN Feyisayomi oyeleke**  
JCI Ibadan President 2015



**JCI SEN Olabisi Aniso**  
JCI Nigeria President 2013



**JCI SEN Chogwu Akoh**  
JCI Nigeria President 2009



**JCI SEN Jokotade Odebunmi**  
JCI Nigeria President 2003



**JCI SEN Kunbi Wuraola**  
JCI Nigeria President 2001



# JCI Ibadan Hosts 'Bábà', Features JCI Senator Nneka and JCI Senator Rotimi at the March Business Meeting

JCI Ibadan's March Business Meeting was a gathering of wisdom, leadership, and impact, featuring distinguished guests who shared invaluable lessons on persuasion, networking, and personal growth.

## Mastering the Art of Persuasion

JCI Senator Nneka Itabor, President of JCI Africa and Middle East Senate Association, led a dynamic training on the art of persuasion. She highlighted persuasion as a crucial skill for success in leadership, business, and daily interactions. Her session covered:

- Building rapport – The key to gaining trust and influence.
- Understanding human behavior – Recognizing motivations and cognitive biases.
- Emotional intelligence – Strengthening engagement through empathy.
- The power of ethos, pathos, and logos – Using credibility, emotions, and logic to persuade effectively.

## Personality of the Month: JCI Senator Babajide Olatunde Agbeja

JCI Senator Babajide Olatunde Agbeja, 1991/1992 President of JCI Ibadan and 1995 President of JCI Nigeria, was honored as Personality of the Month. Affectionately called Baba, he shared insights on networking and entrepreneurship, urging members to build relationships wherever they go. His advice?



- Network everywhere – Even on flights, connect with the person beside you.
- Surround yourself with value-driven people – The company you keep determines your growth.
- Hire people smarter than you – It's the secret to building a lasting business.

## The Power of Relationships in JCI

JCI Senator Rotimi Adewole, Immediate Past Chairman of JCI Nigeria Senate Association, emphasized the value of relationships. He shared that relationships open doors, but attitude keeps you in the room. He also spoke on JCI's role in giving back, reinforcing the importance of service-driven leadership.

## A Special Pledge & New Inductees

Senator Agbeja unveiled the February Newsletter and pledged to cover its printing through his company, Boff & Co. The meeting also welcomed three new members into JCI Ibadan:

- Adebayo Odudiran (Media)
- Oladunni Adelabu (Public Service)
- Oluwadamilola Raheem (Tech)

With impactful lessons, meaningful connections, and a spirit of leadership, the March Business Meeting left attendees inspired and empowered.





# JCI Ibadan Champions Gender Equity with Impactful Women's Day Advocacy

In celebration of International Women's Day 2025, JCI Ibadan took a bold step towards Accelerating Action for gender equity through a transformative Gender Advocacy Campaign on March 7th and 8th.

Understanding that true progress begins with education and empowerment, our team engaged with young female students at Baptist Secondary School, Oke-Ado, and United Missionary Comprehensive College, Molete, Ibadan. These sessions were not just conversations; they were calls to action, designed to inspire and equip the next generation of female leaders.







Through powerful storytelling, real-life experiences, and interactive discussions, our speakers encouraged the girls to:

- Challenge gender-based limitations and biases that attempt to define their capabilities.
- Pursue their dreams and aspirations fearlessly, refusing to be confined by societal expectations.
- Support and uplift one another, fostering a culture of empowerment and unity.
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The campaign was a testament to the strength, resilience, and potential of young women, reinforcing JCI Ibadan's commitment to bridging gender gaps and creating a future where every girl has the opportunity to thrive.

While we celebrate progress, we acknowledge that the journey toward full gender equity is far from over. JCI Ibadan remains steadfast in accelerating action, ensuring that no girl is left behind in the fight for fairness and opportunity.

Join us in this mission. Together, we can create a more inclusive world where every woman and girl can rise, lead, and make a lasting impact.



# Access to Justice: JCI Ibadan Raising the Bar for Fairness and Freedom

Justice should never be a privilege; it is a fundamental right. Yet, across Nigeria, countless individuals remain behind bars not because they have been convicted but because they cannot afford legal representation. For many, the walls of custodial centers are not just physical barriers but symbols of a system that has failed them.

JCI Ibadan, committed to Raising the Bar in service and impact, has taken a bold step to change this narrative. In partnership with the Nigerian Correctional Service (NCS) Oyo State Command, we launched the Access to Justice (A2J) Project 2025 on March 3rd and 4th 2025 with a clear mission to provide legal aid for indigent inmates and help decongest custodial centers.



During our engagement with the Agodi Custodial Centre, the NCS pledged full cooperation, promising to support our efforts in securing justice for those who have been forgotten by the system. We conducted interviews with 24 inmates, 19 men and 5 women, each with a story of hardship, helplessness, and a desperate plea for justice. Their voices echoed a painful reality: without intervention, many would remain detained indefinitely, trapped by circumstances beyond their control.

This initiative is not just about legal aid. It is about restoring hope, upholding human dignity, and ensuring that justice serves all, not just the privileged. By Raising the Bar, JCI Ibadan is reinforcing its commitment to Goal 16 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring fairness, equality, and access to justice for the underserved.

We are not just advocating for change. We are making it happen. Justice delayed is justice denied, and we refuse to stand by in silence.

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**OLAIDE  
BUSARA  
ADEWUYI**



# Women in Jaycee: Spotlight on J&IN Amb. Olaide Bushra Adewuyi



At JCI Ibadan, we celebrate women who are raising the bar, breaking barriers, and making an impact wherever they go. One such inspiring woman is J&IN Ambassador Olaide Bushra Adewuyi, a proud Ibadan-born storyteller now living in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada.

Though miles away from home, Bushra remains deeply connected to her Yoruba heritage, using digital storytelling to bridge the gap between the past and the present, home and the diaspora. Her YouTube channel serves as a vibrant platform where she reviews Yoruba movies, highlights indigenous food, celebrates language and values, and shares relatable experiences of raising children abroad while staying rooted in cultural identity.

Her journey as a content creator took on deeper meaning after relocating abroad, facing the challenges of settling into a new country, and taking a four-year pause to focus on family. When she returned, it was with renewed passion and a sense of purpose—to ensure that Yoruba culture thrives in new generations, no matter where they are in the world.

What started as a personal passion project has now evolved into a growing global community. Through her storytelling, Bushra has connected with like-minded individuals across Canada and beyond, sparking conversations about culture, identity, and belonging. Her work has led her to speak at events and platforms, inspiring others to embrace their heritage and share their own stories.

Bushra attributes much of her confidence, leadership, and public speaking skills to her experiences in JCI Ibadan. The training, opportunities, and encouragement she received within the organization gave her the boldness to step into this new season of impact.

Her Message to Women:

***"Impact often begins small—with a story, a video, or a conversation. The work we do in our corner of the world can create ripple effects in ways we never imagined."***

Here's to women who use their voices, tell their stories, and inspire the world!

*"To all the incredible women out there: with persistence, sacrifice, and a strong support system, you too can break barriers and achieve greatness while keeping your spirit light and your heart open."*

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**ADEOLA  
OGEECHI  
TEJUMADE**

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# Women in Jaycee: Celebrating Excellence with JCI Amb. Adeola Ogechi Tejumade



In the spirit of honoring the remarkable women shaping our world, JCI Ibadan shines the spotlight on an extraordinary woman—Ogechi Tejumade. Her story is a testament to resilience, passion, and unwavering commitment to education, leadership, and impact.

For Ogechi, choosing the path of higher education was a bold deviation from the norm. Coming from a family rooted in traditional career paths, she dared to step into academia, breaking barriers and setting new records. Earning a BSc in Botany from the University of Ibadan in 2016, she went on to achieve a first-class MSc in Pharmacognosy, becoming the first in her family to do so. Now, with her PhD journey nearing completion, she is on the brink of yet another groundbreaking achievement.

Her research is deeply personal and impactful, focusing on developing accessible healthcare solutions for underprivileged communities, with a special interest in sickle cell disease. Despite facing resource constraints that required her to pivot her research, Ogechi remained steadfast, proving that perseverance always finds a way.

Beyond academics, she is a woman of many talents. Her passion for cultural heritage led her to establish a cooking business celebrating her Yoruba and Igbo roots—a venture that has taught her discipline, creativity, and the art of balancing multiple responsibilities.

Ogechi's journey with JCI Ibadan has been nothing short of transformative. Since joining in 2021, she has led impactful projects, including serving as Chairman of the Mental Health Awareness Initiative, Chairman of the Officer Training School, and Team Lead for the Muiyiwa Bamgbose Academy.

In 2024, she served as Treasurer, and now, in 2025, she continues her service as the Director of International Affairs, strengthening JCI Ibadan's global partnerships and presence.

Her story is a powerful reminder that women in Jaycee are not just making strides—they are raising the bar, breaking barriers, and building legacies.

Ogechi's Message to Women:

***"To all the incredible women out there: with persistence, sacrifice, and a strong support system, you too can break barriers and achieve greatness while keeping your spirit light and your heart open."***

Here's to women who lead, inspire, and create lasting change!





# Secret Messages to Women in Jaycee



**Happy International Women's Day JC Temitope of Youkay.**

This is me extending love to you today and letting you know we love and cherish you in and out of JCI Ibadan. You're an inspiration to Teenage girls, ride on Mama.

JC Nancy, you have got a beautiful voice, good looking and yes intelligent, take this from me to you, you're a SPEC, a Chic and More

Professor in the making, with a sharp like that of Bambam, you're a full option from Brain to Body, I just want you to know you're loved and appreciated, by a fellow Jaycee. Cheers

My ride or die, Big bum baby, met you in church and taking you to church soon. Once you read this message, just buy me Tigernut or promise me Two bottles at month end Looooool. Happy International Women's day fellow Jaycee



JC Jumoke, Happy's Mentee, using this opportunity to give you a big hug, you prove that you're a Jaycee at heart, despite the difficult times, Oya take your flowers and keep giving your best.

Sweet JCIN Amb. Fisayo, Your unwavering dedication to serving humanity is truly inspiring. Your selfless actions and compassionate heart make a significant difference in the lives of many. Remember, your authentic self is remarkable and appreciated. Keep shining just the way you are.



JC Hali-Hony, you bring your energy and vibe to what you're assigned to do, and yes you're a beautiful soul in a fine body, I celebrate you today and always, continue to shine and greet Mum for me

**To all the incredible women of JCI**

You are the backbone of our organization, bringing passion, dedication, sweetness, steeze and heart to everything you do. Your selflessness, empathy, and kindness inspire us all to be better leaders and individuals.

Thank you for being shining examples.



JCI Senator Abass, Ma, on this month of March, I appreciate you now and always for all you do for Jaycee, and again special thanks for 2019 when you enlightened me that Training Retreat Accommodation is free for newly inducted, God bless Ma, Amen.

Happy International Women's Day Newly Inducted JC Temitope, I already love the aura you bring and your carriage, can't wait to see you experience JCI growth, don't worry I will be your Guardian Angel.

2021 2nd Vice President, awa miss yin gan oooo, greetings to the Twins and Daddy wa. Can't wait to see you one of these days at any Jaycee function

# Meet Our February Member of the Month: Gbenga Timothy Senaya



At JCI Ibadan, we take pride in celebrating members who exemplify dedication, growth, and service. This February, we recognize Senaya Gbenga Timothy for his remarkable contributions and commitment to the JCI mission.

A graduate of the University of Ibadan with a degree in Political Science, Gbenga is a passionate professional, a Customer Experience Trainer (Country Head) at Carlcare Development Nigeria Limited, and CEO of L&K Care Communications, a thriving phone and accessories business in Ibadan. His love for data and customer experience management drives his work, making him a standout in his field.

Although he had been introduced to JCI as far back as 2021 by JCIN Amb Happy Innocent Ezem, it wasn't until June 2024 that he took the leap, inspired by JCI's goals of personal growth, continuous learning, and service to humanity. Since joining in July 2024, he has actively participated in various programs, including July Confab, Training Retreat, Trainers Academy, National Convention, and the Southwest Training Retreat.

Gbenga has also made an impact within JCI Ibadan through his involvement in key committees such as Sina Adegunle Business Summit, Valentine's Hangout, Convention Committee, and the Green city Project. As the Committee Head for Corporate Trainings, he is dedicated to enhancing the learning and development of members through structured and impactful training programs.

For Gbenga, JCI is more than just an organization—it is a way of life. He believes in fostering growth, friendship, continuous learning, and structured personal development. His journey is a testament to the power of stepping out of one's comfort zone and embracing opportunities for growth and service.

We celebrate Senaya Gbenga Timothy for his commitment and look forward to seeing his continued impact within JCI Ibadan and beyond!

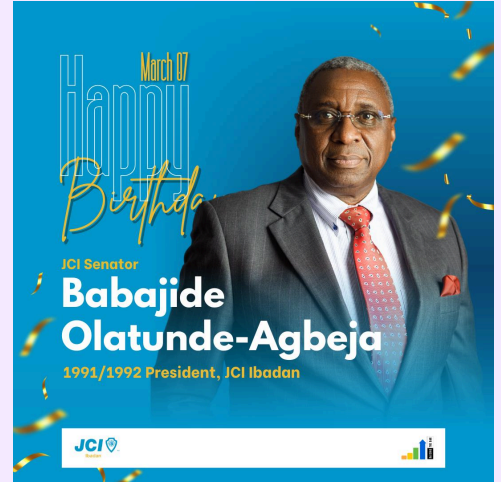
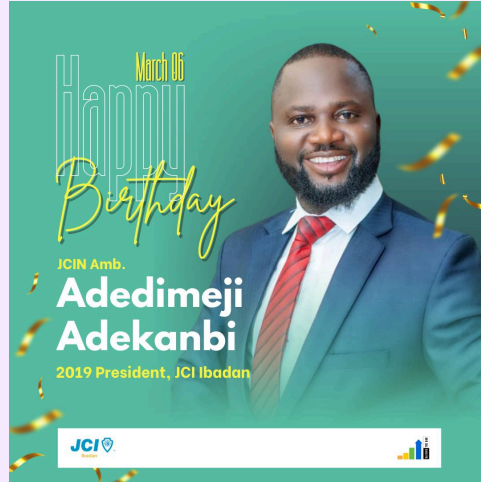


# MARCH INDUCTEES



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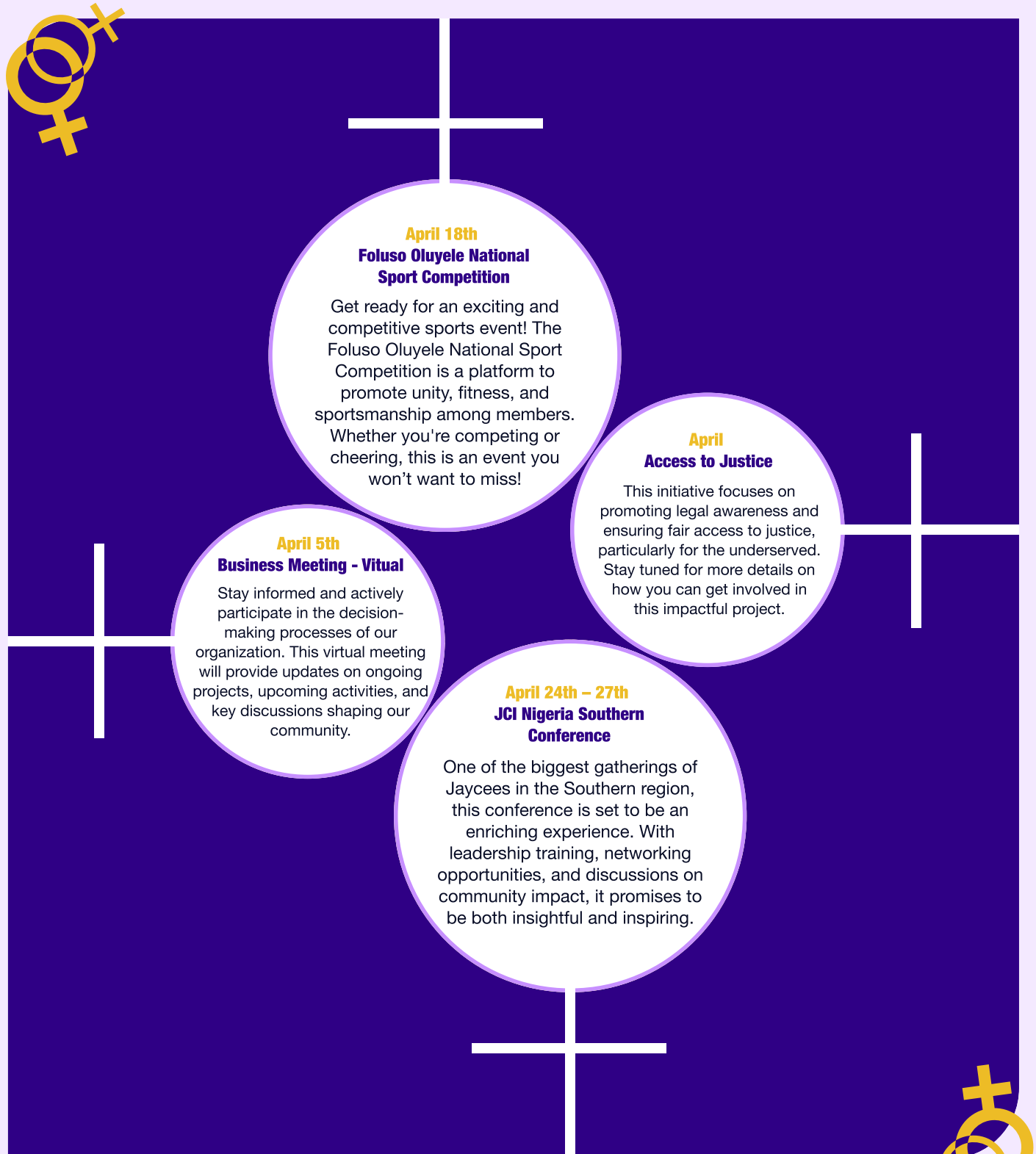
# JCI Ibadan March Celebrants





# Upcoming Events in April

As we step into a new month filled with opportunities for engagement and growth, JCI Ibadan is excited to bring you a lineup of impactful events this April.



Mark your calendars and be part of these exciting events! Let's keep the momentum going as we continue to Learn, Lead, and Impact.

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