

Bienvenue

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the summer edition of our newsletter! In this issue you'll find a report on our spring missions activities, a story about our first 'Go With Me' experience as well as a story about our summer missions activities.

Thanks so much for taking a few minutes to keep up with us.

We appreciate you!

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THREE JOIN US FOR 'GO WITH ME' IN BRUSSELS

In February, I hosted my first 'Go With Me: On Tour & On Mission' in Belgium. Three friends from Texas and Louisiana joined me in Belgium for a week of activities that included:

- Attending a service at Brussels Christian Center and serving lunch to the staff.
- An evening in the home of our friends, Hamed and Laila, who prepared a delicious Persian meal and shared their powerful testimony of healing and salvation.
- A day of ministry in Antwerp working with Shawn Alderman and 'Breaking Chains,' a ministry that reaches out to victims of the sex industry.
- An evening with our friend, Annayiz Goutier, who directs 'Students for Christ' in Belgium.
- An evening in the home of our South African friends Hans and Elria Ellis, who served us a scrumptious meal and shared about life in Belgium.
- Visiting popular sites such as: the Waterloo Battlefield, Villers-la-Ville Abbey, and the Grand Place.
- Enjoying Belgian cuisine, chocolate and pastries from our favorite bakery, 'The Farm.'



Three friends from the USA attended my first 'Go With Me' experience. They are (left to right): Karen Reavis Marshall of Dallas; Rhonda Self of Bossier City; and Ashley Klewicki of Shreveport.

Here's what two of the ladies had to say about the week:

"It was refreshing to meet so many whose main objective is reaching people for Christ," said Rhonda Self, of Bossier City, Louisiana "I came back a different person: with a renewed spirit, more knowledgeable, and more determined to see that the Good News of Jesus reaches the world."

"Go with Me' was such a blessing," said Karen Reavis Marshall of Dallas. "We met so many people, and learned so much about the Belgian culture and ministry opportunities. What a feast for the soul, emotions, senses, and tastes!! I would do it again in a heartbeat."

Want to 'Go With Me'?

If you're interested in participating in one of our 'Go With Me' trips, you can find more information on our website at: www.elevateurope.com

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ELEVATE EUROPE SPRING MINISTRY PROJECTS



Belgium: EWI Hosts Spark Digital Media Conference

Seventeen participants from seven churches attended our second Spark Digital Media Conference in Brussels. Our theme, 'Storify,' focused on teaching church communication volunteers how to improve their skills in telling their church's story online. Adam Highfill, a communications consultant from Barcelona, Spain led the general sessions. Workshops offered were for social media, websites and images/video.

Morocco: Sixty Attend ConVerge Morocco

We returned to Morocco for our fourth ConVerge worship training conference in Casablanca. More than 60 participants from six churches in five cities attended. On Sunday morning, our team led worship at Casablanca International Protestant Church.



Tangiers: New City, New Church

After leading worship for Casablanca International Protestant Church, our team traveled by van for four hours to Tangiers, a city in the northern part of Morocco. There, we held a Focus training session for the worship team at a church, and led a powerful night of worship for a packed house!



Spain: Focus All Nations

We spent several days in southern Spain, basing in El Puerto de Santa Maria at All Nations Church. There, we held a Focus training session for the worship team of All Nations and lead a night of worship.

Spain: Focus Marbella

We returned to The Wave Church in Marbella, Spain for an evening of ministry. Our teaching team, consisting of myself, Jim Young of Cornerstone Church, Jackson, MS and Angela Greenwood of All Nations Church in El Puerto de Santa Maria team taught on our theme, 'Who You Say I Am'. Then our team led in an evening of worship.



Portugal: EWI Returns for 3rd ConVerge

Riverside International Church in Cascais, Portugal hosted our third ConVerge Portugal in as many years. Some 40 worship leaders and team members attended the training event. Our team also led worship for two services on Sunday morning at Riverside.

SUMMER MINISTRY: IMMERSE CAMP, IYOUTH CAMP & CHRISTIAN CENTER VBS

In just a few weeks, Jeff returns to Europe for several weeks of ministry in Belgium and Germany. I'll also schedule meetings to make plans for ministry events in the fall.

Here's what's coming up this summer:

Immerse Worship Camp

Our theme is set, teaching team recruited and promotion in full swing – our third annual Immerse Worship Camp is just weeks away!



Our theme, 'Hallelujah Here Below,' is taken from the Elevation Worship song by the same name. Our teaching team is coming from Utah, Colorado, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Belgium, Spain and Australia.

PRAYER REQUEST:

Pray for the teaching team as well as for the participants. Our heart is to offer three days of intensive teaching, encouragement and moments of deep ministry with the hope that participants will leave renewed and ready to serve their churches for another a year.

iYouth Camp

This is the fourth year I'll be teaching worship classes at this European-wide international youth camp.



Held in Germany this year, this dynamic camp attracts 100+ youth from multiple nations including Belgium, Germany and Italy. Every year, kids get right with God, saved and renewed.

PRAYER REQUEST:

Pray for the teaching staff, camp counselors, speakers and especially for the youth who will come. These youth are the future leaders of the European church and our heart is to help prepare them to serve.

Christian Center VBS

Finally, I'll minister at Brussels Christian Center in a unique way: I'll teach about God's creative handiwork by sharing about chocolate with the children at Vacation Bible School.



Although chocolate is the surface topic, my real intent is to talk about the limitless creativity of God and how he formed the world with careful planning and in tedious detail.

For example, did you know that the tree that produces the cacao bean only grows 20 degrees north of the equator and 20 degrees south of the equator? That's just one interesting fact that I'll share to demonstrate that our world did not happen by accident, but was created by our Heavenly Father.

This is a foundational truth that these children need to understand in order to thrive in Europe's strong culture of evolutionary belief.

PRAYER REQUEST:

Please pray for me as I prepare this teaching and for the children who will be there. Lives can be changed at Vacation Bible School – so let's pray for salvations!

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