

ASSEMBLIES of GOD WORLD MISSIONS

## WORTH THE WHILE !

Spring 2008

Hello friends, As you can see, we are enjoying the spring weather! Thank you for taking a few minutes to read about our life in Belgium. We are continually amazed at the faithfulness of God toward us and KNOW that it is because of the involvement of people like you who pray, send notes of encouragement, and give sacrificially. This work is advancing because of the team effort! Thank you!

Have you ever had one of those thoroughly satisfying moments of being completely overwhelmed with a sense of wholehearted contentment? I had one recently. It felt like the kindness of God smiling down on us. It happened when I received some feedback from a few students and former students asking what the ministry of Students for Christ (SFC) has meant to them. Here's what they had to say:

- "In SFC I found an incredible welcome, a family, and friends who I can count on, not to mention super activities on campus and a training program through which I've become a student leader." Yohan, SFC-Mons
- "Through SFC God revealed my true identity to me and I discovered more deeply the love and encouragement of God. And I have understood that I can't live without Him." Goduine, former student from SFC-Liege/Louvain-la-Neuve and now our contact for SFC-Antwerp
- "I don't know what I'd do if SFC were erased from my life...I've never even thought of 'after SFC." Davida, architect and former student from SFC-Louvain-la-Neuve currently helping to lead this local group
- "Your vision is a success as I'm definitely taking the gospel to the marketplace." Lara, public relations coordinator working in London and former student who met Jesus in SFC-Louvain-la-Neuve

Mes amis, ça vaut la peine! (My friends, it's worth the while!) Again, thank you for giving us the means to minister. He has been so faithful to allow us to experience some of the greatest joys and rewards of ministry among students and young professionals: seeing them discover who Christ is, grow in faith, and minister in their corners of the world through the power of God's Spirit.



In February, we had to say "au revoir" to a great friend. Joseph Crapanzano, our former landlord, once told Blair that he was

convinced that God had sent Blair to him. During their relationship that lasted more than 10 years, Joseph professed faith in Christ. Joseph passed into eternity on Valentine's Day after a 2 1/2 year battle with cancer. Please pray for his wife and two daughters as we continue to minister to them.



Belgium Internship is nearing the end of its first year. The goal of this

project is to equip those who feel called to full-time student ministry with theological and practical training. We are making plans now for one of the three interns from this year becoming our first full-time, fullysupported home missionary with SFC Belgium in the fall! Please pray that interest in the internship would remain high and that more students would feel a call to full-time service.

**Family Matters** 

Mark your calendars for the 25th of May. On that day, 25,000 people will gather behind the start line to run the 20km of Brussels, and among them will be Blair, Claire and Evangeline. Along with training to run 12.4 miles, they have been finding sponsors in order to raise funds for our annual training conference in August. Blair had a great time when he ran last year and we **pray** that the weather will cooperate again this time. Who knows? This may turn into a new activity for the rest of the family, too. (But then again, maybe not!)

SFC-Belgium sent out two missions teams during the Easter break. One team served another campus ministry group in Toulouse, France, home to the second largest population of university students in the country. The second team travelled to

Roubaix, France, known as the city with the largest number of Muslim immigrants per capita. This team helped a local church in their outreach 2 SFCers sharing faith efforts to their community. with Roubaix youth

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