BONINS IN BELGIUM

advancing the purpose of Christ in European university communities



Spring 2010

Less than two weeks...about 10 days or so... with not enough hours in each day... are what remain until departure to our field of service for the 4th time since we embarked on this journey. One question looms in our minds after the recent collapse of the Belgian government amid cultural and linguistic infighting and just before Belgium assumes the role of the EU presidency. What does the future of Europe look like? There are certainly challenging days ahead for ministers, whether religious or political.

These thoughts have provoked us to seek a wisdom not our own but one from above, that wisdom espoused in James 3:17 which is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy." As the opportunities for strategic partnerships across geographical and cultural lines await our arrival on the new "dark continent", we are actively petitioning God for this other-than-human understanding coupled with a panoramic faith, which can see how the sovereign Lord is working in the events of this day. Pray with us as we navigate these new waters. We thank you once again for your valued partnership.

Family Matters

Blair and Dina are officially parents of a Louisiana State University student...Geaux

Callie! We are proud of Callie's academic achievements as the recipient of the Louisiana TOPS Honors award, the Louisiana Pelican Promise scholarship, the Ben & Clare Thibodeaux scholarship, a Sonlight Curriculum scholarship, and an LSU Freshman Academic Excellence Scholarship. Thank you for praying for her (and the rest of us) as she ends her 12+years of homeschooling and moves on to the next season that God has for her.

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Within several weeks of arriving back to Belgium, the Bonin family will be off to Budapest, Hungary as *Students for Christ-Europe* organizes a global student gathering. Students and leaders in campus ministry will gather from around the globe for this 9-day event for training and networking in university missions. Additionally, *Encounter2010* participants will engage in citywide outreaches targeting various local populations via compassion ministries, children's evangelism and even church planting. Pray with us for many students and leaders to be able to attend this historic event and for the kingdom of God to be advanced in Hungary and around the world.

After a long time of wishing she could take dance lessons, **Evangeline** was blessed with the privilege to do so this year. Although, getting a late start at age 13, her intense efforts earned her high marks and the "Student of the Year" award for her class.



Oh, the thinks you can think! The Christian Youth Theater's Seussical, Jr. production was a highlight of Callie, Claire, Christopher and David's semester and afforded them a wonderful opportunity for making new friends.

Prayer Matters

- **Callie's adjustment to university life in the USA and a discernment of God's unique purposes regarding her future.
- **Our transition to Europe coordinator's role wisdom, wisdom, wisdom
- **Blair's dad's health and salvation
- **Safety for all of us as we travel this summer

Thank you for praying!

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