## YWAM Missionaries in The Netherlands

"HELPING PEOPLE DISCOVER THE TRUTH THAT TRANSFORMS"



WHAT DO WE DO EVERYDAY?



SUPERNATURAL HEROES WIM STUDIES



PLANS, PLANS & MORE PLANS
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## Life After Furlough

We thought it would be good to send out an "extended version" of our usual newsletter since it's been so long since we've written one! Since returning from our trip to the US, life here in The Netherlands seems so much different...better! We feel so refreshed, more free and more at rest. Of course we still dream about new things and long for more, but we have peace to be where we are now. We trust that if God wants us to move on to another place, He'll



let us know loud and clear. For now we stay faithful to what He's called us to do here, and we really see that He's increasing our opportunities and impact. We're so thankful!

## YWAM Heidebeek: Day by Day

At YWAM Heidebeek, Jenni works Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday morning. And Wim works Wednesday afternoon, Thursday & Friday. There are also evening activities for Heidebeek and our church that vary week by week, so we're pretty busy! Jenni is still working in the Prayer & Worship Center. Preparing worship times for different events and other office tasks that need to be done to keep our ministry going & growing. She's also helping prepare for the upcoming School of Intercessory Prayer - SOIP (we'll mention more on that later!). Once a month the Prayer & Worship Center hosts something called "InFaith". It's kind of like an outreach to the local community, but also for people from further away. We spend time in worship, pray for people to be healed and practice listening to God for "prophetic words" (words of encouragement from God's heart) for whoever is there that evening. People who come are always so encouraged and really appreciate the open atmosphere to practice hearing God's voice and stepping out in faith.

Last month Jenni was asked to lead worship at Heidebeek's yearly "Open Huis". There were about 600 visitors that day- people who've been to Heidebeek before for different reasons and also people who just come to see what we're about. It was a nice experience! She also recently participated (singing) in an evangelistic campaign called "The God Story", a ministry based out of Heidebeek that uses dance, spoken word, art, stunts, music and many different things to tell the story of Jesus in a creative and accessible way.







Jenni leading worship at Open Huis

Open Huis @ YWAM Heidebeek

Wim working in maintenance

Wim is still busy in the maintenance team, and the work never ends! Lately he's been using the skills he learned while working in road construction to do a lot of bulldozer work on the property of Heidebeek. But really, there's so much to be done. Did you know that next to our main building that hosts space for more than 20 different YWAM ministries, there's also around 20 singles/families that live on base and 3 other properties outside of Heidebeek that house more staff and students... and this all has to be maintained so the ministries can continue to function well! It's seriously a lot of work. In Europe we are known for having one of the most skilled



Wim levelling ground with the bulldozer

YWAM maintenance teams, and it's really true. There are so many quality people (former mechanics, carpenters, people who laid carpet & flooring, truck drivers...) that have left their "normal" jobs to serve God full time with their practical skills. It's such a beautiful ministry!

Wim also really loves to share the things he's learning. It's like he's a tape recorder... he hears something and then plays it back for others to hear. Somehow this is also part of his "unofficial" ministry at Heidebeek-

sharing the revelation and insight he's received with others in normal everyday conversations.

At the end of June we will go as a family with the maintenance team on an outreach to a YWAM base in the South of Germany. Our team will help renovate some of their buildings. Wim will be busy most of the time, but I'll also help out however possible and lead some worship times while we're there. There are several other families going as well as many singles. It's our first time to go on an outreach like this as a family, but we're sure it's going to be a great time!

### Wim is a Student!

In February Wim became a student in a year long "school" that our church here in The Netherlands started, called the "School of Supernatural Heroes". He attends "school" one Saturday a month, with the exception of a few conferences that are from Wednesday-Saturday. Next to that there are several required-reading books and homework questions to work on. There are



over 600 students from The Netherlands, Belgium and other surrounding countries, Wim even met a girl from Luxembourg! The teachers are both Dutch (Jan Pool, Daniel Renger, Mattheus van der Steen, Jan Sjoerd Pasterkamp & more) and international (Bill Johnson, Shawn Bolz, Heidi Baker, Todd White & more)...and it's just an amazing thing to be a part of.

## Plans, Plans & More Plans



Yes, we knew we'd catch your attention with that picture! IT'S TRUE- Jenni is pregnant and we expect our third child around the 23rd of December! Nora is already super excited and talks about all the things she's going to do with the baby. Ezra... well he doesn't yet realise that he's losing his spot as the "baby" of the family, but with his sweet personality we're sure he's going to love her/him! So far the pregnancy has been fine and Jenni's looking forward to the 2nd trimester and the return of her energy!

In the beginning of this newsletter we mentioned something about the upcoming **School of Intercessory Prayer**. Well, it starts in September and **Jenni will be full-time staff**. That means that Wim will stay home with the kids for 3 months... yes, he's a Super Papa! Nora will also start school in September, and Ezra will continue to go to preschool 3 mornings a week. So probably Wim will still come now and then to Heidebeek to get out of the house and maybe even help out in maintenance with some odd jobs. But I (Jenni) am really looking forward to being able to be full-time in the school! It's so nice to be able to go the whole journey with the students and I also learn a lot from sitting in the lectures. I'll be pretty pregnant by then, but I'm trusting that I will be fine. There's freedom for me to rest when I'm tired and also to go home early if Nora needs some more "mama-time" while adjusting to school. For now we are already busy processing student applications, and we will start staff training at the end of August. Exciting!

### One More Thing...

There's one last thing we just would like to make known to you. As we were preparing this newsletter we felt like it would be good to let you know that **we really could use more monthly support.** This is always a tricky topic, because we live from "faith-based support", which basically means we trust God for our finances. So we definitely pray about this often and also just try to "keep our trust on"- keep trusting that God will provide. But we also wanted to let you know, so that if you feel led to support us monthly or occasionally, then you can! If you don't know the need then you can't help, right? Anyways, we'll put our giving information below and you can do as you feel led. Thanks so much for your love and support!

much love & many blessings,

## Wim, Jenni, Mora, Ezra & baby



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