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## Excitement at the Belgian National Convention!

Throughout the city of Izegem yellow posters proclaiming, “Is Jesus Really Alive?” could be seen. They announced the Belgian National Convention. The question was constantly addressed during the meetings – with the answer, “indeed, Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever”. He is still in the miracle working business today. The event was a prominent topic of conversation in churches of all denominations, as well as in newspapers. FGBMFI members felt they had truly impacted the community.

The 410 attendees witnessed first hand Mark 16:20, which says, “And the Lord was working with them, confirming the Word with Signs and wonders following.”

Belgium leaders would like to especially thank guest speakers: Frank Breido, Michel Chevalier and Ray Brooks for their availability, support, and example.

During the weekend many:

- ♦ committed or recommitted their lives to Jesus Christ as Lord of their lives.
- ♦ were healed and set free. One very notable example was documented when, Else Vervenne, 21 years old, who had acute leukaemia was diagnosed by doctors to be totally healed. Prayer changes lives! Luka Ballegeer, who suffered for many years from arthritis, walked away, leaving his cane and wheel chair behind after he was prayed for. Someone else was healed from a problem with the thyroid gland.
- ♦ people were set free from terrible depressions. Demons had to flee in the name of Jesus...
- ♦ could enjoy a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit which is still at work now.

There was a:

- ♦ fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
- ♦ new sense of unity for the work of the FGBMFI.

The FGBMFI vision to reach our world for Jesus Christ was clearly anointed, resulting in:

- ♦ new members.
- ♦ people from dormant chapters resolving to restart them.
- ♦ many determining to step out in faith and take action under the leading of the Holy Spirit.

There was a realisation that this convention was just a glimpse of what Jesus wants to do through believers in these last days. As Jesus put it “The harvest is great and the labourers are few...” Therefore pray with us in expectation for more of these kinds things and that God would pour our His spirit in an even greater measure.

*Rik Van Neste, Izegem*

## European Spiritual Advance Week-End

All meetings will take place at Hotel MERCURE

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## The Hour of the Vision

We are all aware that we are living in a unique time. In our day God is at work in special ways. The FGBMFI is a tool that God has raised up for the end-time revival. The reason for this is that our goal is to encourage ordinary people to speak out about what God is doing in their lives. We are Christians from virtually every denomination, who continue to be active in our respective churches while joining together for outreach and fellowship with other believers in our respective geographic areas.

Even as simple “business people”, when we begin to allow the Holy Spirit to guide us, we see such powerful events as the Bercy and Budapest outreaches. During the past months the Lord has taught us some keys that lead to the success of the Vision.

With this in mind we are planning a weekend in Strasbourg where our main speaker, FGBMFI International President, Richard Shakarian, will share with us what he received from the Lord when he was praying about the future of the Fellowship. Make this seminar a priority. You will be renewed with fresh vision for you personally, your chapter, and our Fellowship.

## **DURING THE WEEKEND:**

- ☞ we will spend time in praise and worship, as well as listening to the Holy Spirit.
- ☞ we will fellowship with leaders from around Europe.
- ☞ we will receive direction from the Lord and important keys for effective work.
- ☞ our wives will also be blessed.

All of you who are committed, even if you are not currently in a leadership position, are welcome to this European Spiritual Advance WeekEnd.

*The European Council*

## **Sweden**

We are very excited about the growth of the Fellowship. Lately more people are attending our meetings, and chapter members are beginning to travel, sharing their testimonies. An enthusiasm is welling up. The vision of the Full Gospel Business Men has always been that people would reach out to people of their own peer group, the "plumber to the plumber", the "doctor to doctor". We now have a team of young business men starting a Chapter aimed at their peer group. Pray for their success.

*Alf Liljehall, Sweden*

## **Seattle**

In an unknown town outside Seattle God is changing the lives of young people. This is just one more example of how the Holy Spirit of God is moving in our day. In Marysville, Washington, Benny Perez is holding youth services. There you will see ex-gang members and drug addicts worshipping alongside honour students and star athletes. The worship varies from

**We wish you a  
blessed new year  
in Jesus Christ.**

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Thank you,  
Blair Scott  
International Publications Director

thunderous praise to hushed worship.

Perez says that this movement is fueled by impassioned prayer and fasting. Since 1995 the church has been on a daily prayer and fasting vigil for the youth. The teens themselves are also involved in the vision. For a half hour before each service you will find 100 youth in a long storage room, doing warfare in the spirit.

Perez doesn't sugar coat his message. Using examples from the scriptures, he preaches the straight truth to them, calling for repentance. And the teens are responding, having their lives totally turned around by the Spirit of God.

*Editor*

## **Canadian National Convention**

**Edmonton, Alberta, Nov. 1997**

Speaker Karl Koke spoke on the key word, Joseph, meaning to "add to". Karl has a special ministry within the body of Christ for reconciliation. There were approximately 500 people attending the evening meetings and 400 during the day. Each of the sessions were inspiring and uplifting. Noting a few highlights: on Friday night Mark Anderson shared an amazing testimony on how he came to the

Lord Jesus Christ through the loving witness of his caring, patient coach, who quit his job to train Mark for the Olympic Games in 1984. Over one hundred people came forward to make a deeper commitment to Jesus at the end of that meeting. Saturday evening singer Mike Adkins kept us all highly entertained as he half sang/half shared the amazing things God has done in his life and the tremendous love he has learned through those God had led him to minister to. One such experience was made into a film called "Norman". While he had us laughing at some of the amusing things that had happened to him, Mike zeroed in on our hearts, and the power of the Holy Spirit came over us. The evening culminated in a beautiful time of healing and prayer. Throughout the convention there was a reoccurring theme of loving and forgiving one another. This deeply touched the hearts of many of us there.

*Editor*

*We would like to wish you all a  
blessed and healthy New Year  
and would love to see you here in  
Budapest in 1998. There will be  
two great opportunities: 22-23  
May and 28-30 August.*

*Miklos Molnar, Hungary*

## **Outreach Agenda**

**6<sup>th</sup> January 1998:**  
**9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> January 1998:**  
**16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> January 1998:**  
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**23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January 1998:**  
  
**30<sup>th</sup> Jan.-1<sup>st</sup> Feb. 1998:**  
**13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> February 1998:**  
**15<sup>th</sup> February 1998:**  
**16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November 1997:**  
**17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> February 1998:**  
**Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>-Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> 1998:**  
**13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> March 1997:**  
**13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> March 1998:**  
**20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March 1998:**  
**28<sup>th</sup> March 1998:**  
**27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March 1998:**  
**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> April 1998:**  
**4<sup>th</sup> April 1998:**  
**24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> April 1998:**  
**May 1998:**  
**9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> May 1998:**  
**21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> May 1998:**  
**28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August 1998:**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> October 1998:**  
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**14<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>th</sup> October 1998:**  
**16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>th</sup> November 1998:**

New Years Seminar, Denkendorf, Germany.  
National Leaders Weekend, Versailles, France.  
Management Seminar, Berlin, Germany.  
Georgia Men's Camp, USA.  
Chapter Leaders Seminar, Strassbourg, France (for French & German languages).  
Men's Advance at "Sidholme", South Devon.  
Hohenstein-Ernstthal, Germany.  
Teaching Seminar, Izegem, Belgium.  
Kniebis/Schwarzwald, Germany.  
World Convention, Manila, Philippines.  
National Leaders' and Men's Weekend, Longborough, England.  
Marriage Seminar, Kniebis/Schwarzwald, Germany.  
Chapter Presidents Weekend, Dijon, France.  
Training Seminar, Beilngries, Germany.  
Concert, Annaberg-Buchholz/Erzgebirge, Germany.  
Swedish National Convention, Gislaved, Sweden.  
11th Midlands Advance, England.  
Regional Convention, Ruhrgebiet, Germany.  
Men's Retreat, Kniebis/Schwarzwald, Germany.  
Israel Jubilee.  
Italian National Convention, Venice, Italy.  
Men's Camp, Vichy, France.  
Middle Europe Convention.  
National Belgium Convention, Brussels.  
Three-Nation Convention (Germany/Austria/Switzerland) in Bregenz, Austria.  
Jerusalem Outreach Convention.  
Training Seminar, Kniebis/Schwarzwald, Germany.

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