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Heart to Heart with the Slaughters in the Capital of Europe



Bienvenue

Welcome! The past two months have been a fruitful time of ministry, working on projects through the Brussels-European Worship Institute, EXO, and Christian Center.

We had help from home with two of the projects: a team from Calvary Baptist of Shreveport came in March to help with Worship Institute events in Brussels and Rotterdam; and a team from Broadmoor Baptist of Shreveport came June 29-July 7 to join us for outreach projects in Brussels.

This issue of Coeur a Coeur details these ministry projects and others. As always, you can find more information about what we're up to by going our website (<u>www.chezslaughter.com</u>) and clicking through to our blog. Thanks for taking a few minutes to catch up with us. And please - let us hear from you too!

Jeff & Kathy

BEWI Hosts Events in Brussels & Rotterdam

In March, we hosted worship training events in Brussels and Rotterdam through The Brussels-European Worship Institute. Joining us from the USA for the events were special guest instructor Bryan Grisham and the worship team of Calvary Baptist Church from Shreveport, Louisiana.

"Having an entire worship team serve as guest instructors brings a different dynamic to a worship institute event," said Jeff. "There are opportunities to have personal interaction with the guest worship team and BEWI attendees benefit from the multi-disciplines of the team."

The 2008 theme, '7 Days 'til Sunday' revisited the importance of Sunday morning as the 'main event' in the life of the church. Morning sessions addressed such things as the importance of congregational worship, and how to better prepare personally and as a team. Afternoon workshops included "Strike Up The Band", "Ready, Set, Sing" and a creative video workshop: "Lights, Camera, Action!".

"Our goal at the Worship Institute is to equip, empower and encourage musicians, vocalists, choir members and media technicians in their service to the local church. And the team from Calvary did a great job inspiring our conference participants to new heights in their giftings and callings," said Jeff.



Some 125 participants from 15 churches attended the Brussels and Rotterdam events.



EXO Travels to France, Switzerland

Jeff traveled with EXO to Normandy, France, May 17 and to Nyon, Switzerland, May 24. The Normandy concert was part of a conference celebrating the unity of British and French believers in the area. The Switzerland concert was part of a youth event (see photo at left for all groups involved in the day-long extravaganza). Jeff and Nick also traveled to Orleans, France, to visit our old church there, lead worship and share a message of encouragement about worship. It was great to renew old friendships from our days in France.

Jeff Leads Worship At Global Day of Prayer

For the third year in a row, Jeff led worship at a Global Day of Prayer event in Belgium, May 11. Belgium joined countries across the world in the event which followed 10 days of prayer.





Christian Center Presents 'Creation Calls' Concert

On June 22, Jeff led the Christian Center Worship Department in an outreach concert entitled, "Creation Calls". The program featured the worship team and the adult and children's choirs, as well as featured artists Yara Kupper, Salt & Light Dance Company, and painters Elria and Nerese Ellis. Jeff wrote the script and selected creation-themed music from a variety of sources.









Broadmoor Joins Us For 'Summer Family Week' & 'Serve The City'





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European Contributions Christian Center Account #310-0885167-31 Broadmoor Baptist joined us June 29-July 7 for 'Serve The City' projects and a 'Summer Family Week' program at Christian Center.

The group helped 'Serve The City' by serving meals to the poor, helping with projects at an Arab church, painting a community center, and helping with other outreach activities. In the evenings, more than 100 participated in the 'Summer Family Week' program. The team taught VBS to the children, and the 'Financial Peace' course to the youth & adults.

"We were proud of Nick (lower left photo), who translated from English to French for some of the VBS classes," said Kathy. "And we were thrilled to have this wonderful group join us for ministry in Brussels."





Summer PUSH School Project!



We have one major project this summer and that is our 'Children's Education Fund'. When September rolls around, Kayleigh begins her junior year at LSUS, Justin begins his senior year at St. John's, and Nick transitions to homeschool from Belgian French school.

We need to raise at least \$6000 toward this project by August 15 in order to help Kayleigh with her tuition and books, bring Justin's monthly tuition bills down to a manageable level, and to purchase a homeschool curriculum for Nick.

Would you prayerfully consider standing with us on this project? To contribute to the Summer PUSH School Project please see contact info at left or the enclosed project card.

Thanks so much for your consideration.