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THE RIALS IN BELGIUM



WHY BELGIUM?

... BECAUSE Belgium has fewer born-again Christians than most nations of Africa -- even fewer than Cuba, Kenya or Russia, per capita (Source: Operation World).

WHO WE ARE: Kerby & Sheila Rials, AGWM missionaries since 1997.

EDUCATION: Michigan State, Mount Hope Bible Training Institute, (Kerby) Wayne State (Sheila)

THE NEED: Muslims outnumber protestants 2 to 1, Atheists/ Agnostics are increasing and outnumber protestants 15 to 1. Rates of suicide and depression are among the highest in the world.

THE OPPORTUNITY: Dramatic declines in the Catholic church are creating a spiritual vacuum that will be filled with cults, atheism or Christ. Belgium is the capital of NATO and the European Union. **OUR MISSION:** Personally planting churches in the least-reached part of Belgium, a nation of almost 11 million people in the heart of Europe.

BELGIUM: Is a close U.S. ally. Belgians speak Dutch, French, and German, and they like Americans! Bastogne (the site of *Band of Brothers*) was at the heart of the Battle of the Bulge, in which 19,000 American young men died. Today it has 2 Catholic churches, a Jehovah’s Witness Kingdom Hall, and one mosque, but no Protestant church building of any kind. It’s time!



PROGRESS: We have helped start the church in Arlon, and are beginning in Bastogne, and have worked extensively in Marche.

WE NEED YOU! 1) We need your prayers and financial support to help us plant the church in Bastogne, and 2) We are looking for helpers who can come for at least 3 months.. Drop us a note! (kerbyrials@aol.com)

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