

# steiger

## NEWSLETTER № 2-2006

### Dear friends,

*One thing is for sure: spring comes! And whilst one or the other may develop spring fever, it is a good point in time to make a proper spring cleaning for many others. Allow some fresh air in your house and in your relationships. Maybe even in the relationship with God.*

*God does not want a dusty, dry relationship with you. He does not want a relationship with you that is governed by religious sense of duty. God does not want a relationship with you that is governed by fear. He wants to be our friend.*

*He wants you to be a friend with whom He can discuss His plans, as He did with Abraham. A friend He can drop in by, just like that. A friend who believes in Him. A friend who is honest, even if he's doubtful. A friend who knows that he won't be able to make it without Him. A friend who is respectful. Because he knows Him.*

Michael

### STEIGER IN KARLSRUHE

**LIFT** » We were a bit surprised when we received only one application for the next LIFT discipleship school. Until then the school had been growing.

For me (Michael), the possibility of not doing the school was not a matter of question. We had only just rented an eight bedroom flat in order to accommodate all students. And then: along comes Johannes who is responsible for running the school and asks me whether I had thought about not doing the school. Maybe God wanted to tell us something by the non-existing applications. So I went on my »walking-the-walk«-walk in order to seek God about this. I thought about the lack of finances that would occur if we did not do the school. Then I had more and more ideas of what we could do and how good it would be for our team if we did not

do the school this spring. Then I suddenly had a feeling of real safety, as if God was saying, »Hey, things don't just continue automatically. Have a break with the school.«

When I introduced this at our staff meeting, people were surprised but also surprisingly agreeing about this being the right thing to do. As six former students had decided to stay, the financial shortcomings have been cut, the rooms are occupied and we can pay the rent.

We will use this half year in order to integrate new co-workers, to train up new leaders and to prepare the new discipleship school. We have also decided to run the LIFT school internationally, i.e. bilingually from September onwards.

Steiger is growing all around the world and besides the school in New Zealand (which is for leaders) there is a demand for a discipleship school for people who want to grow in their relationship with God, in their personality and their ability for responsible ministry.

Our school caters for these demands but only in German so far. Now we've got the time to make the necessary preparations.

**House** » We had huge problems with mould in our rented flat. The house seems to have been badly constructed because on three outer walls and close to the windows we had mouldy spots. Additionally, the flat roof is not quite water proof in two places.

The lease is for until the end of June and after that both we and the landlord have to decide about how to go on.

As we expect our discipleship school to grow we need more space. On the other hand we learned last summer that landlords do not want more persons than rooms in their flats. (A part of the learning process in our school is to learn to live together in dorms.)

A second house would be useful but that would mean a whole load of more work, both administrative and otherwise. On the other hand we see the practical advances and we know (out of experience with our house here, the Schleuse) that God has all possibilities.

We urgently need your prayers here. We need wisdom and clear announcements from God.

### STEIGER IN PFORZHEIM



**Alfi Christmas Party** » The children's programme *Alfi* by Steiger Pforzheim has been running for eight months. Every Saturday afternoon about 25 children come to Alfi, about twenty of them come regularly. Of course we had a Christmas party before Christmas, too. The room was decorated. At the beginning we played some games, or tinker around. After that we offered alcohol free punch and chocolate and sang carols. Then we did a nativity play with Mary, Joseph, Baby Jesus, shepherds and angels... it was so important for our children to hear that Jesus was born especially for them because he loves them. Some children heard that on Christmas for the first time ever. Finally, every child was given a present: a mug with an Alfi face print, jelly bears and a children's bible. 29 children had come and we had prepared 29 presents.

*Special thanks to the LIFT students who did really well when working with Alfi. We miss you! We still need more committed workers for this blessed children's ministry!*

## STEIGER INTERNATIONAL

March 2006

Dear Steiger Europe

Jodi and I have been amazed at how Jesus has moved in our ministry this past year. For example on our most recent tour we had an evangelistic concert at a darkwave festival where there were more than two thousand people.

The bands that played there were openly satanic bands. Many were into voodoo, sexual perversion and vampirism. The logo for the festival was a crown of thorns and flames. In the festival, they sold books on Satanism and there was lots of sick stuff going on.

We played after a well-known band from France who had just toured with The Sisters of Mercy. By the time they played they were all so drunk that they could hardly stand up.

While the French band played we huddled together with people from a local church in a small backstage room. We cried out to Jesus and asked Him to totally disarm Satan in that festival and that the people would have the opportunity to experience the power of Jesus.

When we began our concert at about 1:15 am, that's exactly what happened. While we played there was no screaming, mocking or swearing. The audience was very respectful and they applauded when we demonstrated how Jesus rose from the dead in our concert.

This is an incredible miracle!!!

Earlier I had asked the organizer if there was a room where we could talk with people after the concert. He told us we could use the video room next to the stage because the French band who was supposed to be there didn't want to sign autographs and so it would be free for us to use.

I invited those who wanted to know more about our message to come to that video room.

The room was packed. Our team spent a good hour after the concert talking and praying with people. Jodi and I both clearly felt God's presence despite all the perverted stuff going on all around

us. People were crying as we prayed for them and many found Jesus that night.

\*We are still working in these clubs so I am leaving out names of bands and venues.

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Jesus said that there is a great harvest and we have seen it with our own eyes. That's why we feel so passionate about raising up a new generation of radical evangelists and church planters that can bring the gospel into secular places where the truth is never told.

Forty-one young leaders from Brazil, England, USA, Finland, Poland, Germany, New Zealand and Australia are attending our third Radical Missions and Leadership Training School on the Kapiti Coast in New Zealand.

Pray that God moves powerfully during this intensive 2½ month period as we seek Jesus together.

It is our goal to send out bold young church planters and evangelists all over the world.

Thank you for your years of faithful prayers and support that make it possible for so many around the world to hear that Jesus loves them.

### For this lost generation

David & Jodi Pierce

*Steiger International Inc,  
No Longer Music*

### NEWS

\* The donation receipts are out! Thanks to all who help so faithfully. You help us to do our work! If you have made a gift but not received a receipt, please get in touch. Again and again we receive donations we cannot allocate.

\* After the last LIFT discipleship school that ended in January six (!) students decided to stay and live and work with us! We are happy about every single one of them.

### PRAY WITH US!

#### Karlsruhe

\* For new and good housing. God's leading and wisdom as we are looking for lodgings.

\* That the new members of staff will be integrated and settle in nicely.

\* For the preparations of the new LIFT.

#### Pforzheim

\* For committed Alfi workers

#### International

\* URGENT NEED: Eight students still need sponsors for the *Radical Missions and Leadership School*. Perhaps you should consider sponsoring one of these radical young leaders! 3.000 NZ dollars (approx. 1.900 US dollars) covers all costs of school including housing and food for one student.

\* Jodi is leading the school. Pray that God gives her a real anointing for this task. This is valuable time with these young leaders and we don't want to waste it!

\* Pray for my speaking schedule in March. That I can have God's heart for each meeting



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