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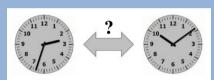
... 'And this is how we know that he (God) lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.'

1 John 3:24 - NIV

Time between ...

Dear friends and interested parties,

The time between: your diploma and a job or further education, a medical examination and the results, your wishes and dreams and whether or not they are fulfilled. Sometimes it can't go fast enough for you and sometimes you want that time to last much longer.



In the Bible people experienced this as well. Sometimes people thought that the Second Coming would be very soon and they forsake their tasks, our CBS group encountered this in the study of 1&2 Thessalonians. Paul recommends 'stay faithful and watchful at your post', we will know when the time comes. That may also encourage us in everything that we personally experience or see globally in society that can frighten us.

We live in an 'in-between time', but we are not alone in this. Let us encourage each other as Christians so that we do not lose sight of God's promises because of what we experience. A CBS circle can play an important role in this. We also know that God is faithful and trustworthy and has not left us alone here on earth. He has given us the Holy Spirit who intercedes and prays for us!

I would like to wish everyone a relaxing Summer, with time between labor and relaxing. Ánd with the certainty of God's nearness, wherever we are.

On behalf of our team and together in Christ,

Wilma Aalbersberg National Coördinator Community Bible Study Netherlands



The CBS Nederland (fencing)banner is hanging again at the New Wine conference.

Do you see it there? Please draw others' attention to our organization. Thanks!



2 participants share ...:

It has been 12 years since I first joined a CBS Bible study group. What struck me and still strikes me is the warmth, familiarity and security that I found and find there. I think that's what the Spirit of God does. With many gathered to open God's word, to learn from it and to share knowledge with each other. It doesn't matter which church you are from, because CBS is all about the Bible.

The personal questions relate the texts from the Bible to our own lives in the present time. This creates beautiful conversations, in which you hear the other person and can help or be helped yourself.

In summary, I think the CBS is great and the meetings feel like a warm bath to me. I hope to be a part of CBS for a long time to come. Thanks!

-Elly

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I live already many years in the Netherlands, but felt for a long time also very unsecure about myself. I also worried about my family in Colombia. I came in a kind of burn-out. Several times I was invited to this group, and when I did finally I started to feel better.

I learned through the Bible studies that I must really trust in God and also leave the care of my family to Him. It is good to pray together with the group for everything that is happening.

These studies give you Bible knowledge, but it is also about your own life. I used to read the Bible, but now it comes to my heart more. It helps me to grow spiritually. **-Rocio** – (Colombian, and married to a Dutch).

New study: God's Amazing Book with video



A new version of the study 'God's Amazing Book' is available. We have been offering this study for a long time, but now in a new and different way. The Workbook, with which all participants prepare at home, is in color now. After the group discussion, you watch a video together (with Dutch subtitles) with further explanation.

This study gives a general introduction to the Bible. In 7 lessons you will see how the Bible is structured and what its content is. How does God speak throughout the Bible and how do we get to know Him and the Lord Jesus?

This study is well-suited for those wishing to explore the Bible (perhaps maybe for the first time) with others, as well as those who know God and His Word. After all, God's Word is a living word, always surprising and appealing to us.

The Workbook can be ordered via us, for the videos you will receive a link from our Europe office.

For the video associated with Lesson 1, see here, or look at our website => Nieuws.



Women's Leader's Day: D.V. November 5 from 9 am - 8 pm

For anyone who fulfills a task in a group or the national work. A day with encouragement from God's Word, relaxing, community, hearing and learning with each other.

- Location: the **Eemlandhoeve** in Bunschoten-Spakenburg.
- Click <u>here</u> or check the website for all information => News => <u>Conferences</u>.
- Do you have any questions or would you like to join us, there is still room! Mail annet@cbsi.nl.

The information at the website is in Dutch ;-) This is a Dutch speaking day, so all Dutch speakers are very welcome!

Ukraine:

In March you received an extra Newsletter regarding the situation in Ukraine. Almost daily we receive a message from our CBS colleague there, Pastor Vasyl. Life is full of uncertainty, adjustments and often shortages. There is a lot of destruction, as we can see in the media. Food and other aid is offered by all kinds of organizations.



Pastor Vasyl, along with many others, has almost a day job distributing the food and basic needs to all kinds of churches and places or bringing it himself with a team.



A prayer meeting is also held in the church almost every evening. Let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters there and throughout that region.

If you would like to donate to help Pastor Vasyl's work, you can do so through our CBS Europe office: https://cbseurope.org/donations/.