

*New Release – Amsterdam, Netherlands*

*Allow me to share a testimony that will give glory to God. In 1997, a very famous professor of psychology at the Free University of Amsterdam gained worldwide recognition for research in his academic field. As a result of this achievement, he received a 1-year sabbatical in Leeds, England. While in Leeds, he had a radical encounter with Jesus and gave his life to Him. He also received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in a Pentecostal church.*

*Upon returning to the university in Amsterdam, he sought out and began attending a Pentecostal church. As this professor grew in his relationship with the Lord, he became more and more concerned about the spiritual life of the students at the university.*

*The designers of the 16-story building, which houses the university, followed the ideas of a famous Dutchman named Cuypers. A chapel and an open-air veranda were constructed on the top floor. Students would be able to use this floor in view of the open sky to contemplate and worship God. The floor immediately below was designed for the faculty of Theology. Thus, all the other disciplines would be under the chapel and the Theology Department. The Theology Department had long since become very liberal, with only a handful of students. The chapel doors remained locked for many years.*

*God chose and prepared this doctor of psychology for His great purposes. He approached the university requesting to use the chapel as a meeting place for international university students. His request was granted, and after locating the lost key to the chapel, this distinguished professor of psychology, and more than 20 international students, gained access. It was around this same time that our A/G missionary to the Netherlands, Tim Southerland, asked the pastor about the possibility of developing a university ministry in Amsterdam. The pastor informed him that this group had begun only the week before.*

*Now Tim and this professor are partnering to reach out to students on this strategic campus. In view of the sovereign way God has brought this together, we expect a powerful impact on the other 14 floors and the surrounding campus of the Free University of Amsterdam. By the way, the group has now grown to forty.*