

Ellel Ministries Netherlands
“Huize Baak”
Annual Report 2020



Introduction

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven...”
2020 has had its challenges and the words of Ecclesiastes have never felt more true, with Covid 19 in the mix even “a time to refrain from embracing”. Along with Covid we have experienced many highs and lows as we navigated the uncharted waters of forced separation, changing rules and regulations, serious illness, and the joy of a great debt forgiven. Some of us have carried a greater load due to a change in team membership. And God, as He so often does, has stretched us in ways we could never have imagined with the testimony of lives restored to sustain us. We have been blessed to remain in operation for most of the year; missing only one Explore weekend, and give God all the Glory for what He has done.

The Ellel Ministries Netherlands Team.



Overview

Many of our team were blessed to be able to travel home for Christmas 2019, something which became impossible in 2020. Along with the Covid shutdowns came the challenge of engaging with our guests and students in new ways. Our technical learning curve was; and continues to be steep, as we find our feet in the screen age. We have experimented with, and become fairly comfortable sharing teaching via Zoom.

In March we welcomed our last international teachers for the Covid season, and took on the load of teaching in-house. Whilst stretching, this has brought a blessing in growth and maturity for both us and the students not least in a greater level of dependence on God, as we all learn new ways.

This 7th year under Marc and Margaret's leadership has seen us stretching in new directions partly due to Covid and partly due to unexpected health issues. The fulltime team went from 13 to 11 during 2020, then to 9, as two YPT's left the programme during the Christmas break. Our part-time team have remained a constant support, bolstered by our faithful volunteers who continue to fill the gaps from the garden to the kitchen.

The In-house teaching team including Marc, Margaret, Vicki, Johan, Conny, Arie and Tanja took on many new courses in the EXPLORE A and B schools, and with limited resources we presented our first On-line course "Getting to the Root of the Problem" including a Q&A session.

"At the end of the morning, Wooooow, what a beautiful ... educational ... healing Webinar. God touched me and I had to cry in between and I again experienced God's healing. I really enjoyed the day and I learned a lot. It was a great blessing to me. Could you please let me know when the next Webinar will be? I would love to participate."

Testimony: "Getting to the root Webinar" May 2020

We recorded sessions for our new "Healing Retreat Day" programme which ran in September and December, complete with worship, teaching and drama. Some of the ministry team were able to sleep on-site, while each guest watched 4 teaching sessions at home, before an on-site day of prayer and final teaching. We ran 2 EXPLORE A schools during the first Covid lockdown, with our whole team joining together as students. This was great for team building as everyone was on the course and sharing the catering, it also kept our YPT's up to date with their Flourish! programme. We also ran a modified ministry training, and workshop programme for our Flourish! students to complete their year.

Unable to venture very far from Baak we took on many long talked about projects, with a focus on team building. During the lockdown we also took time as a team to study "The Bait of Satan" by John Bevere, while our Flourish! students focused on "Hearing Gods voice". Inspired by our team discussions we had an opportunity to share feedback with each other in groups of three. Specifically, we shared "What about you I find a blessing, and what about you I find a challenge". It was a blessed time of open communication that was appreciated by all.

Marc took time during the Christmas shutdown to lay fibre optic cables across the grounds in preparation for the new season, this proved a blessing when Covid forced us online. Covid was also the catalyst for striking out in a new direction with our first webinar in May “Getting to the Root of the Problem”; which attracted 100 guests, our maximum possible capacity for the event. It was made available again in June attracting a further 64 guests. Marc together with Johan, and Conny taught the sessions while Rhode assisted Marc with the filming and technical aspects. While Marc’s focus remains on business matters, he has made time for teaching and ministry where necessary. In September he taught both EXPLORE A & B, and at the same time managed to provide Zoom teaching for our sick and international students. In November he taught “Lost and Found”.

Marc has been blessed to have Rhode’s assistance with some technical needs. He still carries the bulk of technical and computing requirements of the work, while we wait for a technically gifted team member. He has continued to work with Johan Evenblij and with Michelle (who finished this December) in the area of finance. Marc still plans our teaching year, and resumed the full load of advertising, venue hire and legal/council matters when Erwin finished in July.

In the midst of all this Marc had a course of Chemotherapy in May for a blood disorder, which was discovered after a period of illness. We thank God that he recovered rapidly after his hospital stay, we stand amazed by Gods goodness and mercy.

Margaret visited family in Australia over Christmas; during the serious bush fires, and developed pneumonia which took several months to clear completely. With the departure of Erwin and Anita in July, Marc and Margaret took on leadership of our YPT’s. Margaret’s focus remains on developing and training the Team, oversight of the Ministry Office, Ministry Team, and Volunteers. She continues as PMA co-ordinator, writes the IPU contribution, and has also taken responsibility for organising the in house teaching team.

Margaret also took on both planning, and teaching of “Healing Through Creativity” as Covid prevented Julie Smith from attending. We were blessed to have Julie join us for one session on Zoom. Margaret also taught “Knowing God” with Vicki’s taking one session, and “Godly Sexuality” with Vicki and David Cross (on Zoom), each teaching a session. She took on oversight of our new YPT’s running a scaled back programme from Flourish! which we hope to resume when we have the right leaders on team.

As Covid led to new ways of working, Margaret developed the “Healing Retreat Day” programme, and a review process for Team. She also made time to interview all the full and part time team members. In September Margaret and Kathleen were involved in a car accident, resulting in whiplash injuries they are both still recovering from.



Vicki was also fortunate to visit family in New Zealand and Australia before Covid, and has continued to serve as part of the ministry, teaching, and Leadership teams. 2020 was her 7th year on team, she taught the “Sheltered” weekend and some other sessions on EXPLORE. She has continued to oversee the translation, editing and printing of all our EXPLORE materials.

Jack celebrated his 10th year on team at Baak, and has continued the work of restoration and painting various parts of the main house, and other buildings. He also still carries full responsibility for food shopping and weekend catering, along with the Painting.

Hein’s also travelled to family in Texas over Christmas, his main work is still maintaining the estate, improving the garden beds, and organising volunteers to work in the grounds. Together with Marc he reviews and corrects the translation of EXPLORE. He also Translates for courses, leads Bible study and mentors for the YPT’s, and is part of the Ministry Team.

Erwin and Anita continued as the leaders of Flourish! our Young Peoples Team programme. This was our second year of Flourish! Unfortunately, the planned outreach to Albania was cancelled due to Covid, so they challenged the students to find new ways to reach out from lockdown. We had many positive responses from the grateful recipients. To round off the programme they had an off-site week with the Flourish students.

Erwin continued to work on venue hire; and our fire safety upgrade together with Marc and Hein. Anita continued in the role of House Manager along with her Flourish responsibilities. They both also continued as members of the ministry team.

In February, they attended Operation Blairmore in Scotland. In July, we bid them farewell after nearly three years on team, releasing them into their next adventure with God.

Birgit Seepe joined the full-time team in April, moving to Baak from Germany. Birgit is well known to us having joined the Modular schools in September 2015. She has been a faithful member of both our ministry team and our worship team, which she continues to serve on. Birgit has also been serving in House and Catering, taking on the full responsibility for House Manager since Anitas departure in July. She is also a YPT mentor.

Rhode and Alicia finished their Flourish! year having richly blessed the team with presentations on subjects like “Hearing Gods Voice”, preparing a beautiful team picnic in our garden, and a social event to welcome Birgit to our team. In place of their Albanian mission trip they made an outreach to our local community, delivering cards they produced. They also made an electronic outreach to all our students, team and volunteers during the

Covid lockdown. We received lovely feedback from both our village, and students who were greatly encouraged by the outreach in the midst of lockdown.

Rhode along with house and catering, was a great help to Marc on our steep technical transition. She also was a great help to Margaret in managing our Covid logistics and preparing a banner for the Creativity corporate project. We recommissioned Rhode back onto full-time team in July, before releasing her for a summer holiday. Though quiet she makes a strong and beautiful impact in the team, at Christmas with a little help, she painted a Nativity on our front windows for all the village to see.

Alicia along with house and catering was a lovely team member. During her stay she also joined with our worship team. She did indeed flourish in her year at Baak and has returned for several B schools. We released her from team in July. She is now studying fulltime, and it is always lovely to welcome her back.

Kathleen has been serving on team since she returned to Baak in Nov 2019, she continued to work alongside our YPT in house and catering. In September she joined our EXPLORE B school. Kathleen prepared soup for our weekend courses and was a great help to Margaret in preparing creativity materials for several courses. In September she sustained a whiplash injury which she is still recovering from, this has greatly diminished her physical abilities and she has ongoing medical assistance. She has continued to serve on team as she is able.

In September we welcomed two young men and one young lady to our Flourish! Team. Joel Misiedjan a Nederlander, Ryan Woods from England, and Rhode Knot from Germany. We ran a reduced Flourish! programme while we wait for a new team member to take up leadership. Marc and Margaret have oversight for now, while Marc, Hein and Birgit mentored the students. They attend the A school, a Healing Retreat, and come alongside the team in most areas of the work. Their regular activities are mainly in the house, grounds and catering. It has been a challenging year not least of all with the Covid restrictions, in December Rhode returned to Germany, and Ryan to England, Joel has stayed on to finish his Flourish! year.



Our Team Day out for 2020 was a rowdy affair with our new YPT's along for the adventure. We had a day picnicking, canoeing and scootering. The canoes were a challenge with team learning to work together, to go in a straight line... not so successfully most of the time. There was much bumping into things and laughter. The scooters while easier to manage were exhausting, especially for the more mature members. We finished the day with a team meal in a socially distanced Chinese restaurant, luckily before the hard lockdown. During the

lock down we took time for some games nights, trying our hand at double Rumicub and Bilingual Scrabble. The team also had a chance to watch Live Stream broadcasts with Peter Horrobin together.

The major highlight of the year was our great debt forgiven. In May we had news that the Christian lender would completely release Huize Baak into the full ownership of Ellel Ministries Nederland. It was a day of deep joy, gratitude and rejoicing in Gods absolute faithfulness.

We were especially blessed by visiting teachers helping us find our feet with Explore, Morna Gillespie and Jen Perdriau in January, David Cross in March. Jill Southern and Angela Weir taught on Modular B before Covid hit, others that had planned to visit were unable to come. In the absence of Fiona and the Creativity crew “Bridge from the Head to the Heart” was rescheduled for summer 2021.



Our two Open Days were able to proceed, the first with 20 guests enabled us to fine tune our Covid procedures before welcoming our Explore students back for a weekend. The second with 40 guests required a second dining room space, due to social distancing. Covid has also limited our Conference Hall to a maximum of 45 people, so our ministry team have been watching the teaching in the Flourish room via Zoom.

With both “Opwekking” (Dutch for Revival) at Pentecost, and the “New Wine” conference cancelled our possibilities for advertising were greatly diminished.

House and new equipment

The Covid shutdown in March allowed time for some very deep cleaning. The Boerderij, our conference hall was emptied and cleaned top to toe. All 150 chairs were moved into the garden, so the dust could be beaten out of them. It also gave time for a whole team garden day, we accomplished a much, and had a lot of fun in the process.

When we were finally able to reopen our doors we discovered the blessing of a house with many rooms and buildings. We were able to house all our guests in single rooms, and find space to keep our social distance. We installed disinfecting stations, increased cleaning measures, we also planned and signed a one-way flow for halls and staircases; this was a big project but well worth the effort, to ensure the safety of all.

We upgrade some equipment in the main house including a new freezer (which required a team effort to install because of its size), it is a great improvement on our old chest freezer. We also purchased a new commercial dishwasher to replace our leaky old one. We continued to upgrade our technical equipment particularly for the Zoom teaching, and purchased a professional camera for recording.

Upgrading of the fire safety system has also continued, the self-releasing magnetic latches to the fire doors in the main house are operational, and glass in some areas has been replaced to required standards. This is a huge project that will require more time and finances to complete, we are blessed that the authorities have allowed us to upgrade in stages.



Volunteers

Arie and Tanja have been constant and faithful supporters of the work, and are active members of our ministry team. They both taught sessions for our “Healing Retreat Day” Zoom recording, and provided worship for our Zoom teachings. Arie continues as Healing Retreat coordinator, and works on translation of books and mail outs. Tanja has oversight of the worship team and equipment, and together they lead worship at all our events throughout the year.

Conny has taken on more teaching in the EXPLORE school, and continued to work alongside Vicki in office administration several days a week. She is also a ministry team member and mentors one of our YPT's. In March Conny taught “Inside Out” with Johan, in July she taught “Connected”, and together with Marc and Johan she taught on our first Zoom teaching day.

Johan has continued to teach on some weekends and Open Days. In March he taught “Stress Anxiety and Burnout” with Marc, and in November he taught “Deliver Us from Evil” He has also continued in management support, and assisted Margaret with interviewing team members and volunteers in our Team Review.

Evert-Jan has had less time available this year, but he has continued to work on restoration of critical areas of the property.

Inge and Hein share on-site course translation Dutch/English; Danielle was unable to continue having contacted Covid. Sahar translates when we need Farsi. Ariana has continued to translate all our new Explore materials. Zwanneke is also working on book translation.

With Covid there have been less international visitors to Baak, we were blessed in February to welcome Richard Fila back to work on the new website. Moyra Sims also came from Ellel Belgium, together with Marc and Erwin they worked on the website in three languages.

Frans E joined Hein working in the garden, first one, then two days a week. He has been a great help to Hein, also with maintenance tasks. Manfred a former student did some major electrical work installing two new fuse boxes in the main house. Tosca volunteered in the house for a week in May, and Karen S (the daughter of a student) for a week in August. These along with many others have cooked, cleaned and contributed in a variety of ways that have enabled us to open our doors and welcome God's children into His house.

THANK YOU DAY

Our Annual "Thank You Day" now "Thanksgiving Day" was moved to November in line with the International Ellel family. Unfortunately, Covid prevented us from welcoming our usual visitors, we did still celebrate the day with prayer, thanksgiving, and cake. We also wrote to all our friends, encouraging them to join us in remembering with thankfulness all the Lord has done through this His ministry.



Ministry Office

Despite the lockdown 2020 proved to be a busy year for the Ministry Office. Margaret and Arie have continued to work together, Arie as Healing Retreat Coordinator and Margaret on administration of the Ministry Team and Personal Ministry Appointment (PMA) schedule.

Having put in place a new Ministry Team Application and Training process in 2019 we ran our second new Training Day in February "Dancing with the Holy Spirit". Margaret and Conny ran the day which was well attended by both current Ministry Team members and trainees. One of our trainees Tom taught a dance lesson, where everyone had a chance to see what it's like to both lead and follow a lead. This led to an excellent discussion time on the role of Holy Spirit in both ministry, and in relationship.

With the blessing of the Exec we pioneered a new "Healing Retreat Day" programme. The at home Zoom teaching was well received, and it was lovely to welcome the guests for their on-site ministry day, which included a worship time and testimonies. The guests were blessed by God and thankful for the visit to Baak.

We held two PMA Events to catch up with our waiting list after the lock down; with some of the ministry team sleeping several days at Baak, one in June and one in July. We were able to spread out across all the buildings, keeping social distancing in place, everyone brought their own lunch and picnicked in the garden.

Venue Hire

With Erwin's departure in July, Marc resumed full responsibility for venue hire and on-site guest liaison. Many planned events needed rescheduling because of Covid, and it heavily impacted our income for the year. Some, like the planned event for Canadian veterans on Moral Injury proceeded via Zoom. Many of our annual visiting groups postponed their events till next year, hoping for a lifting of restrictions.

In September the Elders of Menorah met here, and in November we were able to welcome Ebenezer back for their annual conference. The Ebenezer weekend was split in two parts, so that all their guests could enjoy one day on-site together.



Huize Baak Hosted 4 socially distanced weddings in 2020 including one of our students, Reguilio and his beautiful bride Loes. The first wedding in June was finally given council permission to have 47 guests; provided they took the event outdoors, this led to a procession of well-wishers bringing drive through gifts and greetings.

Margaret Schuthof
Deputy Centre Director



Office Manager's Report – December, 2020

The year 2020 seems to have flown by, but with many challenges and opportunities, no doubt similar to what people all around the world have shared, because of the unusual situation with Covid-19. In mid-March we shut down all our weekend courses, but our centre stayed open and we carried on with our normal daily tasks. For my work in the office, it was a kind of 'down time', where I could complete tasks which had been 'on the back burner, due to lack of time, but mainly I had time to thoroughly prepare for teaching on the Explore School. I took on Explore A9, 'Sheltered', which we held as a two-day event in May, along with Explore A8, 'Connected', taught by Conny. It was a satisfactory time for me, as I had never taken on a whole Explore subject before!

My main administration task in 2020 has been continuing with organising and developing the new Explore Course. Explore A was almost complete, but then there was Explore B to begin working on. Explore has been a major job, involving 18 booklets of course notes. We have been very grateful for our volunteer translator, Ariana, a Dutch woman living in Russia. She has taken on the task of translating all the Explore material into Dutch. Our graphic designer, Joëlle, turns the notes into beautiful booklets, which have been very popular with the students, and a major step forward, compared to the old Mod B notes which were just pages of A4 text.

As Office Manager, my other tasks are the administration of all other Ellel courses, covering all the bookings, data basing, welcome packs, course notes, name badges and programmes. This includes the Healing Retreats, other various weekend courses, plus Open Days, as well as keeping records for all Prayer Ministry Appointments (PMAs) completed. I couldn't carry out all these functions without the invaluable help of my volunteer off-sider, Conny, who does most of the day-to-day admin.

My other office tasks include organising the preparation and printing of our Ellel pamphlets and fliers, overseeing the daily calendar for the centre, (which includes all our own events plus outside groups who hire our venue), keeping the database up-to-date, ordering office supplies, emails, phone calls, collecting and sending postal mail, dealing with couriers, keeping vehicle records, recording energy usage, recording all statistics for the Annual Report and maintaining all photo and other archives.

I write the bi-weekly contribution for Newsbits, along with photos I have taken, plus I coordinate our entry for the bi-monthly Ellel International Prayer Update (IPU). I am also responsible for the bookshop, making sure it is well stocked with both Ellel and other books, in both Dutch and English. We also stock popular gift items such as mugs, notecards, journals, pencils, pens, bags, bookmarks and colouring books.

In the past I have headed up our Modular C School, our ministry team training school, coordinating and teaching it along with Conny. We stopped running the C School in October last year, and are now concentrating on training (and re-training) the ministry team in other ways.

Because of the Covid-19 situation, our usual teachers are not able to travel here from the UK, so we are doing most of the teaching for the Explore School with our in-house team. In late October, I taught 'God's Master Key', a weekend on forgiveness, which I really enjoyed, and I look forward to more opportunities to teach in the future.

Vicki
Office Manager

Painting and Restoration

I have two jobs for which I am responsible. My primary job is painting and restoration of the buildings, both interior and exterior; however I spend more time on my secondary task, which is kitchen supervisor. This tends to take up most of my week, preparing for our weekend courses, doing the shopping, setting up the dining room, overseeing the volunteer cooks and kitchen crew, ensuring the meals are served on time, and then the clean-up at the end of the day, as well as a major clean-up at the end of the weekend. I also coordinate the kitchen and supervise any outside groups using it who hire our property for their events, making sure they know how to operate our equipment and carry out their own clean up.

I also liaise with Margaret over planning and ordering any new crockery, kitchen supplies, etc. I am also responsible for food shopping for the team meals during the week, as well as coordinating all recycling and waste disposal.

My other job is restoring the buildings as a painter. There is a lot of restoration and repair work needing to be done on every one of the four buildings on the property.

This year went a little bit different than other years, because of COVID-19. We were closed for about three months before the ministry started up again, which gave me time begin new restoration work. I completed four dormitory windows, several window frames, as well as door frames and doors on the Koetshuis (dining building). It took the whole spring and summer to strip off the old paint, remove the wood rot, and then sand, restore and paint. Some of the dormitory windows were in a very bad condition with a lot of wood rot. I also did some painting on the front of the Boerderij (conference hall).

Now I am busy with three doors inside the Koetshuis, removing single glass and replacing it with safety glass, and repainting them. I am also replacing broken safety glass next to the front door of the main building, and repainting the frame.

Jack
Painter



Grounds and Buildings Maintenance

This year was an unusual year as it was for everyone else. However, it had its upside especially as far as the work in the garden was concerned. I could spend much more time there than usual, especially in the springtime when there are always lots of things to do. There is a new volunteer helping me in the garden, Frans, who together with his wife Nicole also participates in the Explore School. In the beginning, in the early spring until summer, he helped one day per week and later two days per week, which helps me greatly. Also there is regularly one of the young people helping me, Ryan or Joël. On the other hand, the volunteers from Urk, who always come with a large group one day per year, did not help me this year, probably because of the corona virus.

The summer was another dry one, now three dry summers in a row, so we needed to do a lot of watering of the flowers and shrubs and vegetables. However, it was less work than other years because we have a water pump now and we got more hoses, which helps to work more quickly. However, a dry summer has definitely advantages as well so this summer we finally could finish cleaning the pond and we got all the sludge out! This project took seven years to complete, but it feels very good to get it done. Now it just needs yearly upkeep by removing the leaves before they completely break down. In addition, we got a part of the moat completely done as well (by hand, because machines cannot do the job there).

Next year we can start with another part of the moat, weather and time permitting. Even though financially it was difficult, we decided that because of the low water level we should hire a custom worker with an excavator to clean another part of the moat that had fallen dry. So now, there will always be water in that part of the moat without lots of grass and reeds growing there. Huize Baak looks nicer. In preparation of this last job, we also needed to thin out part of the forest so there would be space for the sludge. Next year we hope to have another part of the moat and forest done this way.

Another larger project this summer was to move a walking path on the front of the property a few feet to give it a better shape alongside some big trees that were getting so big that they expanded onto that walking path. This was more work than anticipated but the result is very nice so that most people will not notice any change. Another project that did not draw much attention but still required a lot of work was reshaping all the grass fields alongside the pebble stone pavement. The grass was invading onto the pebbled area and we cut sometimes up to a foot of grass away to give it back its original boundaries.

There were also many regular jobs done that required a lot of work; one huge old oak (150 years?) needed to be cut down because it threatened to drop dead branches on the road. Two horse chestnuts died unexpectedly, fell down and needed to be cleaned up. (One dropped partially into the moat, the other fell just right causing minimal damage to other trees). We planted several new trees although some most likely will not recover from the dry summer, but we will not know until next year.

Besides the garden we did a lot work on the buildings as well. The most important was finishing the fire detection system on the top floor of the main house, that was completed this spring and is working properly now. We also finished insulating the hot central heating pipes in the dining building this year, and replacing all the remaining emergency lights that were not done earlier years. All the rainwater downpipes of the main house now release the water into the moat, as some of them were pouring the rainwater into the sewer system. We hope to reroute the down pipes of the other buildings in the future. From the farmhouse we opened and cleared the clogged rain pipes; these already did drain into the moat.

I removed all the moss growing on the roof tiles of the sleeping building. Parts of the farmhouse and dining building were also done, but the farm building still needs a lot of work done in this area.

I am also a member of the ministry team but spent much less time praying for people because of the corona virus; most PMAs were canceled and several Healing Retreats as well, and the Explore courses do not require as much ministry time as the Modular Schools did.

Hein
Groundsman

House Management

Hello, I am Birgit, I am 53 years old. God asked me some time ago, to live here and join the house team. In April 2020 during the lockdown of Covid I moved from Germany to the Netherlands.

On 1st September 2020 I took on the role of the House Manager of Huize Baak, Ellel Ministries Netherlands. Before I took on this responsibility, Anita, the previous House Manager, instructed me, before she finished her job. Some of these tasks I learn by experience and doing.

With my new task area - just in time - 3 new young people joined the team at the end of August 2020; two young men and one young lady. Amongst other things they work with me to clean and tidy the buildings here at Huize Baak. It's a privilege and lot of fun to work with them for the Lord, but also a challenge, because I have to give them instructions, teaching, advice, correction and encouragement.

I am responsible to manage the cleaning process of the used areas, after the guests leave from the schools, PMA's, Healing Retreats and Weddings.

We also prepare the guestrooms for the visitors to follow with a beautiful flower, and a tray of snacks as a warm welcome.

There are many different "daily breadcrumbs", because we are 11 people living here together in one household. The rooms like the team room, the team kitchen, toilets and hallways also need a nice wipe every week.

I have to overlook the cleaning equipment and supplies, vacuum cleaner bags, -and so on- to be stocked and ordered in time. Another part of my job is to take care about the laundry. We have a lot of laundry here!

At the school weekends, mostly on Saturday and Sunday, I am preparing the breakfast for our guests and the ministry team.

I like my job and I'm learning to trust God more than before. I'm also a part of the Worship-team here at Ellel Netherlands, leading the Worship. While living here I learn to speak Dutch, that's very helpful.

Jesus ask me to be member of the Ministry Team and I enjoy seeing Him working here! Every two weeks I take a time as a mentor for one of the young persons to accompany her in her process here.

Birgit
House Manager



Technology

Early 2020 we finished connecting all the buildings with optic fibre cables. Just in time for the Covid restrictions! The new infrastructure allows us to stream our sessions from the conference hall to any room on the property and over the internet. Guests who were not able to attend due to sickness or not allowed to cross the border were able to follow the sessions via Zoom. And on the days that the conference hall was full, ministry team could watch the sessions from another location on the property. It took a while to figure it all out, but once we did, it was very effective, and in the end, quite cheap.

Books

We continue to translate and sell Ellel Ministry books here onsite via our bookshop and online using various channels. This year, we added "Rescue from Rejection" to the list of translated books. We also picked up the rights to the book "Boundaries" by Cloud and Townsend which we hope to publish sometime in 2021.

Re-Structuring

We continue the re-structuring of Ellel Ministries Nederland with the aim of separating the teaching and publishing activities from the property. Small steps. We hope to complete this in 2021.

In finishing this Annual Report

2020 has been another year to remember. It was the year that we were severely restricted in every aspect of our life, but it was also the year that we stepped out and started doing courses online.

We did ministry at 1.5m distance and God showed up, we taught via Zoom and God showed up, even when I had no faith, He showed up and made it happen.
We have an amazing God. All praise and glory to Him.



Marc Schuthof
Centre Director
Ellel Ministries Netherlands at Baak.

Event Statistics for 2020			
Centre:	Ellel Ministries Netherlands 2020		
v 7.1.21	Dates	Event Name	Number of Attendees
Healing Retreats			
	Feb. 28- Mar 1	Healing Retreat # 72	10
	Sept. 19 - 20	Healing Retreat Days	13
	Dec. 5 - 6	Healing Retreat Days	11
	Total Healing Retreat numbers		34
Short Courses			
	Jan. 10 - 12	EXPLORE A5: God's Enemy Exposed	49
	Jan. 17 - 19	Mod B5: Understanding Abuse	24
	Feb. 7 - 9	EXPLORE A6: Inside Out	57
	Feb. 14 - 16	Mod B8: Dealing Stress, Anxiety.	21
	March 6 - 8	EXPLORE A7: Knowing Me	42
	March 13 - 15	Mod B9: Healing Victims Accident and Tr.	19
	July 9 - 12	Mod B7: Healing Through Creativity	28
	July 16 - 17	EXPLORE A8: Connected	33
	July 18 - 19	EXPLORE A9: Sheltered	36
	Sept. 4 - 6	EXPLORE A1: The Big Picture	26
	Sept. 11 - 13	EXPLORE B1: The Family Business	19
	Oct. 9 - 11	EXPLORE A2: Knowing God	22
	Oct. 16 - 18	EXPLORE B2: Rewired	25
	Oct. 30 - Nov 1	EXPLORE A3: God's Master Key	29
	Nov. 6 -8	EXPLORE B3: Deliver Us From Evil	24
	Nov. 19 -23	Healing Workshops - Mod. B & Explore A	20
	Nov. 27 - 29	EXPLORE A4: Lost and Found	30
	Dec. 11 - 13	EXPLORE B5: Godly Sexuality	22
Total students on Short Courses			526
Schools			
Total students All Schools			
Other Events			
	July 4	Open Day & Free Teaching Day #1	20
	Aug 15	Open Day & Free Teaching Day #2	46
Total All Other Events			66
Personal Ministry Appointments (number only)			71