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Dear friends,

Happy Easter and spring greetings from Evangelical School of Theology in Wroclaw, Poland! We are praying for you and hope that you are enjoying God's blessings in 2009. As we approach Easter we pray you will find comfort and hope in the miracle and power of the resurrection.

At Evangelical School of Theology we are into the second semester of classes and have much to be thankful for. We are encouraged to see and hear how God is working in the lives of our students and how He is guiding us at EST with new ideas and plans for the future. We would like to summarize in a few paragraphs what is going on at EST right now. The last few weeks have been full of activities in the lives of the faculty, staff and students and in the life of the school.

- 1. Recently we had another extension weekend for Students in the B.A. program and it was encouraging to hear the students share their testimonies and express their care for EST. The students told stories about how EST has played and still plays a crucial role in their lives and ministries. Two of the faculty shared the following about their class discussions:
  - "During missiology class we had a great and inspiring discussion concerning contemporary mission issues in the market place. How to build bridges between the Good News and today's busy society? How to share and live the Gospel in such a way that it will become a message of hope to people around us? We talked about the importance of integrating words we share with our lifestyle. It was good to see how our students truly seek to engage with the needs that they see in their local contexts of work, family and other important aspects of life. Most of them are already involved in one way or another in Christian ministry that seeks to serve in a Christ-like manner. It was a blessing to me to hear some of their stories and engage with them from the perspective of holistic understanding of the Gospel which ministers to all aspects of humanity." Dr. Wojciech Kowalewski
  - "Does four years of biblical, theological and pastoral training make a difference? Yes! **The students in my Ethics class** astound me regularly with their ability to address key moral issues Christians face today. They **demonstrate their passion for church renewal and vision for impacting society."** Dr. Joel Burnell
- 2. Also during the extension weekend, Dr. Patrick Nullens (the President of Evangelische Theologische Faculteit in Heverlee, Belgium) visited EST and

taught in the area of ethics. He presented great lectures and the students had a good time together with him!

Thank you for your faithfulness, your support and your prayers. We all need God's blessing and guidance during these challenging times. As we have shared with you, the school is growing in several dimensions and as our programs and ministries expand the need for additional support has increased. **Evangelical School of Theology needs to raise an additional \$8.000 a month for the work of this ministry. Funds are needed either in one-time gifts or in monthly support.** 

Blessings in Him,

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