

# Mosaic

Thank you for the opportunity of sharing with you what we have been doing at Mosaic, CCL's evening service.

## **First, why *Mosaic*?**

The name *Mosaic* comes from our vision for the evening service. After a season of visioning in the summer of 2018, we felt that our unique mission was to reach out to people who had never really looked into the claims of Jesus as well as to others who had left traditional church. We also strongly felt that the evening service should not take the form of a traditional evangelistic service since those who do turn to Christ need to be challenged to walk with Him and grow in faith and maturity.

Additionally, we felt (and still do) that Mosaic had a unique role to play among the international student body and young professionals in the Lille area. This mix of nationalities and backgrounds is what makes our evening services a truly unique *mosaic*.

## **Second, how have we been doing?**

We knew from the start that finding the right balance between speaking to the unconverted and the converted would be tricky. With God's help, though, we feel that we have been going in the right direction with sermon themes that are relevant to both groups. The Word of God is deep enough for us to approach fundamental topics from angles that have something to say to more mature Christians.

For the past few years worship has also contributed to Mosaic. Passers-by have stopped and attended services, and both new students and young professionals have generously volunteered their gifts to make our services musically relevant and special. We thank God for everyone of them!

Our efforts led to an average attendance of 30-40 during the pre-Covid period, with people literally coming from the four corners of the earth. This is the kind of Mosaic that we had envisioned in 2018 and we believe we have only scratched the surface of what God has in store for Mosaic.

## **Third, our challenges?**

The restrictions linked to Covid-19 have profoundly altered the way we have been doing "community." Please pray with us that we will have minds and hearts open enough to new ways that God will use to keep growing a sense of community that cares for the undecided as well as for the committed.

**Paul Devos.**