



LAURA'S COMMENT:

"The old eDOT website recruited me to eDOT. I'm excited to see the ways God uses the new website to recruit for His work in Europe."

Laura, website designer



PRAYER POINTS

- For preparation of eDOT resources being developed to share with other GEM missionaries at Annual Conference in early August.
- For fruitful use of the virtual prayer walking website in partnership with several local German churches.

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!"

Isaiah 41:18-19a (NIV)

Focus on eDOT's Website

In the world of technology, the only thing constant is change. And we are excited to announce a big change—not in eDOT's mission or focus, but in how we share it with you, our partners, as well as with others on the World Wide Web: our completely redesigned website!

In 2008, God brought Laura to work full time with eDOT in Germany. With a degree in computer science and nine years of experience in web design, plans were made for her to redesign eDOT's website as soon as she finished language school. In addition to a facelift, we needed a site that was more interactive, clearly laid out, and easier to navigate. It was also important to create a website that would flex with rapidly changing technology.

Laura began the complex process in early January 2009: surveying, determining our audience, gathering the content, determining design, and coding the site. One of our highest priorities was to create a site which would recruit "digital natives" and techies who want to use their abilities to disciple all peoples of Europe so that rapidly reproducing churches will become a reality. To learn what techies appreciate in a website, Laura surveyed college students at several Christian colleges, giving her helpful perspective on layout and design. God has given us wide open doors for ministry across Europe, but we need more techies—who love God—to implement technical tools in ministry contexts.

You are cordially invited to an "open house" at our redesigned site: www.GEMeDOT.com. We think you will enjoy Laura's fresh, conversational style that allows you to read the highlights—or the whole story. On every page you will see colorful photos of Europeans as well as eDOT staff and volunteers involved in ministry. Examine our history page—you will find that our mission hasn't changed. We are still using reproducing technology to help build the church in Europe and the world—through discipleship, outreach, and training. But our innovative, cutting-edge site paints a beautiful, clear picture of eDOT's effectiveness in Greater Europe. Please share the site—or this newsletter—with others who might like to partner with us in prayer or hands-on ministry.

