

60,000 Christians Rally for Jesus in One of the World's Most Secular Countries

Roughly 60,000 Christians recently gathered for a four-day event to mark Pentecost in one of the world's most secular countries.

The vast majority of citizens of the Netherlands, 60 percent of the country, have no religious affiliation at all. But in recent years, Gen Z has been leading a growing return toward Christian faith, according to The World by PRX.

The latest sign of that is seen as tens of thousands of Christians have gathered each year to fervently seek God at the Opwekking Pentecost Conference at Walibi Holland, a large amusement park in Biddinghuizen, about an hour from Amsterdam.



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"What a powerful and historic moment. Truly, the Holy Spirit is moving in a glorious way all across Europe, and here in the Netherlands we can feel the wind of revival blowing stronger than ever," wrote European evangelist Jean-Luc Trachsel.

Opwekking means "revival," and this massive Christian awakening attracts over 60,000 attendees, many of whom camp on site and attend various events throughout the conference. In 2025, approximately half of the attendees were under the age of 30.

The Opwekking Foundation, which began during the Dutch Pentecostal movement, has shared that its mission over the last 60 years has been to follow "Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit."

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