# Accreditation & Quality assurance

## **EEAA** accreditation

Cornerstone is registered as an institution for Higher Education (www.internationalstudy.nl), but a Certificate or Diploma of Higher Education, do not have a legal status within the Dutch education system. This means that no Dutch student grants are provided and your Cornerstone qualification does not guarantee entry into further study programmes in The Netherlands.

However, our Certificate and Diploma programme are accredited and recognized by the European Evangelical Accreditation Association EEAA (www.eeaa.eu). This means that Cornerstone complies with all the quality requirements of the EEAA. Every year the EEAA demands a written report on our study programme, facilities, staff qualifications, etc. Every four years, Cornerstone is inspected by a visiting team from the EEAA. This continuous evaluation ensures a quality control system which demands high educational standards and results in a programme which provides our students with skills necessary for the cross cultural work they are expected to be involved in after their studies.

## Code of conduct

Cornerstone also complies with the Code of Conduct International Student in Higher Education, to which all Dutch Universities and other Institutions of Higher Education have subscribed. This code of conduct focuses on ensuring that students are informed timely, appropriately and fully on issues like finance, accreditation, application procedures etc. (www.internationalstudy.nl).

## Closely linked with missions

Besides the quality control of the EEAA, Cornerstone also complies with the demands of the mission organisation WEC, of which Cornerstone is part. We also receive inspection visits from WEC, who insists that the whole study experience continues to prepare students for the world of hands on cross cultural mission work.

Our training programme also has a good reputation with many other mission agencies. Our graduates have joined organisations such as: Wycliffe, OM, People International, AIM, ECM, Liebenzeller Mission, DMG, Frontiers, OMF, Interserve and others.

## **Internal evaluation**

Also internally we keep an eye on the quality of our programme. Students evaluate every course and our academic dean discusses these evaluations with the lecturer. Lecturers also observe each other's classes and give peer to peer feedback.

With the input from all these different angles, we continuously evaluate the content and quality of our study programme and adjust and develop our curriculum. The fact that a wide range of mission organisations accept the Cornerstone study programme as a good preparation for their new candidates indicates that we continue to reach our aim of preparing our students for cross cultural mission work.