

## **IKON and Protestant Church launch unique website for people in their thirties**

**The Protestant Church in the Netherlands and the inter-religious broadcasting company IKON launched the site 'Geloofinjeleven.nl'<sup>1</sup>, a website for people in their thirties 'to surf through existential- and faith questions'. It is the first website of its kind in the Netherlands.**

*Many people in their thirties are rather 'searching', the makers of the site noticed, vicar René Kok and religious worker Suzanne Grootte. "They acknowledge that there is something that transcends them. But how relates that to our material wealth and to life- and existential questions?" says Kok. People in their thirties are in a crucial phase, they are facing many life-determining choices. Is this the partner that suites me and with whom I can build a future, do I want children and if so, when, do we buy a house, how do I go on with my career and: is this all? "Typical is that these moments of choice all come together in this stage of life," says Kok. "In addition the possibilities seem to be unlimited, but they are not."*

*IKON and the Protestant Church in the Netherlands offer with Geloofinjeleven.nl a unique platform to people in their thirties, which possibly picked up something of the religious faith from their upbringing, but recognize little in the present religious supply. The site is built around themes like: relation, work, children, world and future and contains films, texts, music and interviews with people in their thirties. Regularly themes are added. The site is continuously updated, also by the visitors themselves who have their own contribution on various places on the site.*

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<sup>1</sup> geloof in je leven = *believe in your life* as well as *faith in your life*