

The Flowers

Church Planting in Charleville-Mézières, France

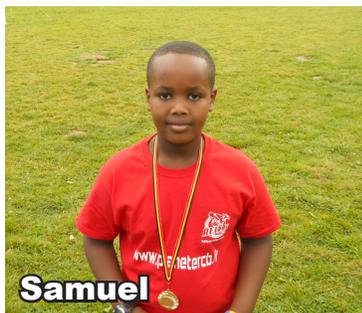
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Dear Friends,

One of the highlights of our summer was leading Bernadette (mentioned in our Dec. 2015 letter) to the Lord on July 26. After more than ½ a year of faithfully studying with her, we were impatient to see her make a decision. We have, unfortunately, arrived to a similar point with others in the past where they were so close to trusting Christ but then ultimately rejected Him. Praise God that was not the case this time! Please pray for Bernadette to make her spiritual growth a priority.

I do not consider myself a language expert, but I was recently asked to be an English tutor. Our family doctor asked me to teach his 12-year-old daughter, and then a basketball teammate asked me to teach his nephew, who is a university student in engineering. Each session has taken place at our church because my ultimate goal is to present more than just the English language to anyone I tutor. Please pray that God would open doors to witness and to impact these young people.

There was a good amount of preparation and effort put into teen camp this summer. Janice and I headed up the French-speaking classes and services, and there were more unknowns this year as we had to change camp locations. Camp was still in Belgium but was at a different facility out in the country near the Luxembourg border. Space was not sufficient to accommodate both the English and French classes indoors, so our French teens met outside in an old military tent. Before camp we had been mainly concerned about how hot it would be in a tent, but the weather changed on us, and it ended up being cold. Very cold! We finally gained access to a small, wood-burning stove, and it's amazing how everyone's spirits lifted after that. We had a wonderful group of teens this year who had good attitudes and were open to learning and growing in Christ. It was a blessing to work with such great kids.



Hours after teen camp was over, hordes of children starting arriving for the start of their camp. I had the privilege of teaching in the evenings and of helping out wherever I could during the day. (That's code for: I did a lot of dishes.) For the first time, Lydia came along and helped as a counselor; she really enjoyed the experience. The climax of the week was Friday evening when a 10-year-old boy named Samuel raised his hand after the lesson with questions about salvation. I found a quiet place outside to read some Scripture with him and to help him understand what Jesus had done on the cross. Through tears, he bowed his head and asked Christ to save him. Incidentally, Samuel is the younger brother of the boy I led to the Lord last summer. It was another great

year of camp....praise God!

Please take note of the change in our mission board's mailing address (found below). Any support should be sent to this new PO box. As always, any personal correspondence can be sent directly to our address here in France. Letters usually arrive at our home within a week, and we've never had trouble receiving mail. We appreciate the letters and notes of encouragement that you send to us throughout the year.

In Christ,

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