

# The Flowers

Church Planting in Charleville-Mézières, France

October 31, 2024

Dear Supporting Friends,

Something unusual has happened since our last update. Clément, who is the head of our basketball club and a high school teacher at a local Catholic school, invited one of his co-workers to our church. What is so unusual about this is that Clément himself has never attended our church! We have a great rapport with him though because he has been Lincoln's coach for years, and he apparently felt quite comfortable inviting his friend to visit us. As it turns out, Karine is a high school English teacher who spent twelve years teaching French at Cornell University in upstate New York. During her time there, she was invited to a Gospel-preaching church by friends and was eventually converted to Christ. Upon returning to our area, Karine never found a good church and struggled for years in her Christian walk. Fast forward now to this past September when she showed up on a Sunday morning and has since come every Sunday. Please pray for Karine's spiritual growth and for her unsaved daughter, Juliette.



Annie

Annie Hénau is a quiet lady from the neighborhood who has been attending our services. She had lived for years with a troubled marriage and a troubled mind, spending a significant amount of time with psychiatrists. She came quite faithfully to our Tuesday night Bible study last summer, and the Word of God began sinking into her heart and mind. However, Annie was walking toward her apartment near the church this past fall when she was attacked in broad daylight and robbed. This terrible episode led her to retreat into herself and to cut off contact with almost everyone, except her children. This went on for many months. I texted her periodically to let her know we were praying for her and that we were here to help. In the spring of this year, I invited her to our Easter service, not really expecting her to answer—and what a surprise it was when she said she would come! Annie told us that she had trusted Christ as her Savior right before the mugging, but didn't end up confiding in us until she came back to church. She has made a huge transformation. She has so much peace and is growing in her walk. Lincoln and I have been discipling her, and she recently made a public profession of her faith through baptism.

Over the past few months, spiritual warfare has never been more obvious to us as missionaries. We have a real enemy who is constantly at work. Without going into great detail, it seems like every new dawn has brought a new challenge. We do appreciate your financial support, but we ask that you also pray for us and the work here in France.

In Christ,

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