



Buckshots

Rebecca & Jeanne
on their way to camp

Climbing higher
and higher

Young
missionaries



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Thoughts

"If a commission by an earthly king is considered a honor, how can a commission by a Heavenly King be considered a sacrifice?" -- David Livingstone

"It is possible for the most obscure person in a church, with a heart right toward God, to exercise as much power for the evangelization of the world, as it is for those who stand in the most prominent positions." -- John R. Mott



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Massive Summer Outreach

The French church here in Lyon is planning a massive outreach this summer. We'll be giving out copies of the "Book of Hope" to people we already know and have befriended. Each person is challenged to give twenty copies. **As we pray for the people we'll be giving the books to, I am amazed and encouraged at the number of relationships we have already formed.**

In this reserved country, where they say it takes six years to make a friend, we've already become acquainted with so many people: the kids' piano teacher, many of the neighbors in our eight-story apartment building, the doctor, the dentist, students at the language school, mothers we have met because of our children playing together.... God has really given us favor here, and we are surprised that we've come to know so many people. One of our children said to me yesterday, "I like living here. I already have so many friends." It is a beautiful thing for a parent to hear, isn't it?



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"If God's love is for anybody anywhere, it's for everybody everywhere." – Edward Lawlor



Prayer Requests

For divine appointments – evangelism by relationship, in the street, and by making the most of every opportunity.

Thank you for praying for our children. Because of your prayers, they are healthy and happy here, and shining the light of Jesus.

I passed a very difficult language test recently thanks to your prayers! Please continue to pray that I would learn to speak fluently.

The new church is growing. Thank you for praying, and please don't quit! We rejoice to see new believers being baptized and growing in faith.

Pray for the new people coming to church – for them to make a decision to follow Christ, and for courage and faith to grow.

Reaching the Unreachable

There is a service for unbelievers twice a week. The message of salvation through repentance and faith is clearly preached, and people are invited to respond to the call to follow Jesus Christ. At the end, there is also prayer for healing.



Last week, a group of prostitutes came to the evangelistic service for the very first time. For the missionaries who spent years reaching out to these "unreachables," and for those who have prayed for a harvest in this work, what joy and celebration to see these answers to prayers.

Truly God is reaching out to those who are too lost to seek Him, and there is great satisfaction in working with Him to reach them.

Isaiah 65:1-2 "I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me..."

Sasa Came to Church!

Remember Sasa? **The woman who stepped into the Muslim outreach center** because she saw the word "friendship" in the sign by the door, **is now attending church!** It's as hard for a Muslim to walk into a church building as it would be for us to take a trip down Niagara Falls in a barrel – maybe harder, because they are taught by their teachers (imams) that great curses come upon them if they walk into a church. *We are so thankful for your prayers for Sasa, and we're excited to see her taking steps toward faith in Christ.*



Street Evangelism

- A Muslim man, when I offered him a tract, ran away shouting, "You are trying to send me to hell." He is only repeating what he was taught at the mosque.
- A group of elderly women turn away shaking in fear when they recognize that the pamphlet I am holding talks about God and faith and hope. Many people here believe that faith is a forbidden subject, and anyone who talks about God is trying to trick them into joining a destructive cult.

- But some dare to take a tract, and read each page slowly and thoughtfully, glancing at me occasionally. Very few will talk, but recently I met someone who had never heard of Jesus.

We are planting seeds, and praying for a harvest here. Thank you for praying with us.



Three new people came to the Muslim outreach center. One man exclaimed to another, "You will not find hospitality like this among the Muslims." This is high praise, and it's gratifying to know that the unbelievers are astounded by the love of Christ.

