

Buckshots

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Thoughts

Fire can never make *ice*, the *devil* certainly cannot make *saints*; neither can prayerless pastors produce warriors of intercession; yet one spark from an anvil may set a city on fire. Imagine the fire we can light if we first start with prayer! – Unknown

"Faith and prayer are so inter-linked that faith is prayer and prayer is faith. You cannot separate them. You could not have the one without the other." – A. Lindsay Glegg



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Goodbyes and Bonjours!

It's a new season! Winter is here, and the frigid temperatures make hot chocolate a fabulous treat! It's a new season for our family, too, as we pack our suitcases and get ready to begin working for Jesus' Kingdom in Lyon, France. We have our visas, our luggage, and we've even packed some taco seasoning to take with us. All we need is 5 more monthly commitments to reach 100% of our budget!

Thank you for giving! Thank you for praying! We are deeply aware that this work would be impossible without your prayers and faithful giving, and we are grateful to our prayer partners and giving partners.

If you have made a monthly commitment, and haven't started giving yet, now is the time to start. May God bless you richly as you act in faith.

If you haven't made a monthly commitment, you still can! Please fill out the online commitment form on our website at www.sendthefire.org/support.

If you want to make an end-of-year tax-deductible contribution, it must be received at AGWM by December 31st for 2010 tax credit. Mail your check (with Buck 266656 in the memo line) payable to A/G World Missions, 1445 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield, MO 65802 or give online at www.sendthefire.org, then click the Give button at the top of the page.



How can they hear if nobody tells them? Rom 10:14b MSG

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



Prayer Requests

#1 Most important of all— Please pray for divine appointments and the Holy Spirit to guide our steps and our words.

Please pray for open doors for evangelism and wisdom to share the gospel effectively.

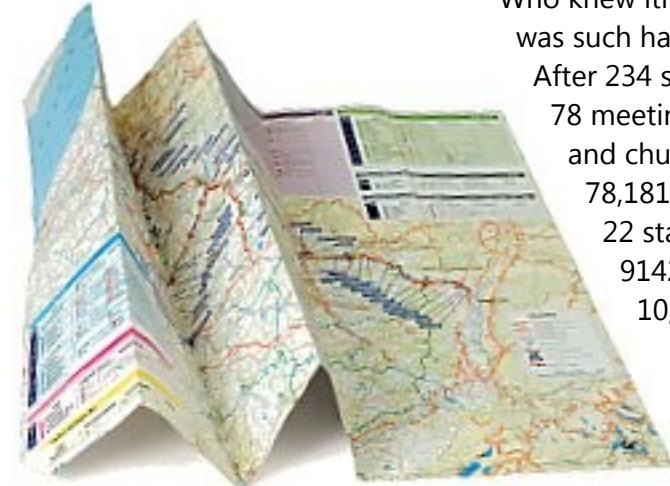
Please pray for a smooth transition for Rebecca, Jeanne and Jonathan, who will say good-bye to Grandma and Grandpa in two weeks.

Please pray that we will find an apartment that is reasonably priced in Lyon.

Please pray that Ed will quickly become fluent in French.

What does it take to raise a budget?

We're leaving for the mission field! And we are so thankful to all of you who have made a commitment to support us with your prayers and your finances.



Who knew itinerating was such hard work! After 234 services, 78 meetings with pastors and church leaders, 78,181 miles driven in 22 states, 9142 phone calls, 10,742 emails...

We are ready to get to work over there. Thank you for making this work possible.

One happy ending—Angelique's story



My childhood was filled with anguish. Sexually abused at the age of four, and again at eight, by people who were close to me. I thought it was normal, and that it was truly love. My parents, both alcoholics, divorced when I was one year old. So, I lived with my mother, and my brother lived with my father. My mother married three times afterward, and often had new lovers, which meant that we never stayed anywhere for long, and moved almost every year.

I fell into a very deep depression. That's when I met some Muslims. They told me about the Koran and acted very nice to me. I felt loved. These Muslims tried to convince me that I had everything wrong! And the worst thing was that I believed them!

One day I went to a mosque with a Muslim friend. It was the time for me to say the words to become a Muslim. They gave me some pages with words from the Koran. It was written that Jesus said, "After me will come Mohammed." When I read these words, I couldn't see the word Mohammed, but I could only see the word "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!" At that moment, my heart trembled. I didn't know any more what was true. I dropped the pages and went home.

I telephoned my brother to tell him what had happened to me. My brother told me simply, "Listen, Angelique, ask the God of Truth to answer you. And He will tell you the truth, you can be sure of it.

"So that's what I did. I got on my knees, I cried, and I begged God to tell me the truth about Jesus. At that moment, an incredible Peace entered me. And then, I knew that my heart knew the truth! Jesus is really the Son of God! Since that day, I follow the Lord Jesus Christ. He is my Savior and Lord. He died for me on the cross. He is alive, because God raised Him from the dead!

Thanks for supporting us in prayer. We need it today more than ever.

Europe in the vortex, spinning into darkness

Pakistan and Saudi Arabia (1.5% and 0.9%) have more Evangelicals per capita than France. How can this be?

Everything that we know as western civilization is a result of Christianity and the church. The impact of Christianity on Western Europe was more extensive and more enduring than anywhere in the world.

What went wrong? The short answer is the French Revolution of 1789. That cataclysmic event destroyed Christian civilization and instituted the religion of socialism, first in France, then throughout Europe.

Now, Europe is the dark continent, and God is calling missionaries like us to reach these people, lost in darkness. 400 years ago, the light of Jesus shone brightly here. Now, we who have received that light, passed down through generations, must send it back to these nations who once sent missionaries to America. What a privilege, to give back what we have freely received!



The Light of God's truth has been snuffed out in Europe, now the least Christian and the most secularized and socialized part of the world.

