

The Buck Family

Spring 2020

Interesting inspection

We've had a little excitement here. Recently, both our ministry center and our local church had a visit from the assistant mayor, the county commissioner, the police, and the fire inspector for their "annual inspection". This is the first "inspection" in the past 5 years. Their stated purpose was to ensure that proper fire and safety codes were being followed. But they asked questions about our funding sources, recent travel, and relationships with other pastors. It was obvious that they had already done extensive research and were asking questions to evaluate our responses. The government has always been suspicious of churches and even today government representatives are present in our services occasionally. As long as Christians kept to themselves and churches stayed small and insignificant, they weren't seen as a threat. But God is moving here in Troyes! Our local church has grown to about 180 people each Sunday. People from across France, Belgium and Switzerland are coming to our conferences seeking revival in their cities and nations. Our media ministry is transforming lives, marriages, families and churches throughout French-speaking countries. As the light shines bright, the darkness will try to extinguish it. Yet, God's light will shine forever. Please pray for the believers in France, that their faith will be strengthened, and that they will not be intimidated. Pray for the Spirit to continue His work in drawing the lost to Jesus.



Missionaries to France

Word on the (virtual) Street

Even through the shutdown, our ministry team continues the work here, only with a skeleton crew of 3-4 people. We had a "Fresh Wind"

conference planned, but due to restrictions on gatherings, we decided to



move it to an online live conference instead. Although we have produced hundreds of TV programs, this was our first live broadcast. The first night, over 900 people participated via YouTube Live! That's more than we could ever host physically! People are hungry for a life-changing move of the Holy Spirit, especially during this distressing time.

Do we have your email address?

Due to circumstances that have captured the attention of the entire world, the printing company shut down their mailing services until further notice. Since you are reading this, they are back to work.

Did you know that we send out a monthly email newsletter?

While our printed newsletter is only mailed about 3 times per year, if we have your email address, you can get updates right away without having to wait for the next mailing. **Sign up on our website** (www.sendthefire.org) or just **email us at edward@sendthefire.org** to let us know that you want to receive our email newsletter.



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Thoughts

Stand Fast,
Stand Firm,
Stand Sure,
Stand True
— Harrison
Gray Otis



An MK in quarantine

We pray that you are doing well and staying safe during this astonishing time. France has been in lockdown for nearly three months. We may now travel within 100km of our house. We may leave the home only for one of a few specified reasons, and must have a signed document for each occurrence. As a result, it's very quiet here. Our son, Jonathan, made a short video about his view of the quarantine. You can view it on our website.

Prayer Requests

Continue to pray that lives will be transformed by Christ here in France, and all across Europe.

Pray for those who participated in our conference online, that they would continue to grow in their hunger for God.

Please pray for our children. This quarantine has been especially difficult for them being stuck inside, separated from friends.

Please pray for health, wisdom and unity for the team, as we move forward into what God has for us.

Please pray for those who have viewed a service online, that they turn to the Messiah.

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Our last men's group before lockdown



Making masks
Fido felt left out



Buckshots



Our first conference broadcast "Live"



What kids do during quarantine

