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LYON AND BEYOND

Our last newsletter was a special edition covering our trip to Guadeloupe in March. So this report will catch you up on other news items since February. ERRATUM: That last newsletter stated that I have made nearly 30 mission trips to Guadeloupe. That should read 14 trips since 1986.

LYON: The Harmony Chorus from Marseille arrived in Lyon just after our return from Guadeloupe. Because our church meeting hall is too small for such a concert, we rented a Catholic church for the occasion. Today very few people will attend Christian seminars, but they do come to concerts. This gives them the opportunity to hear the gospel message, and it is also good PR for our local congregation.

In April, I taught a lesson at church, warning of problems for a Christian who marries a non-Christian. It was a difficult lesson to give, but I did my best to be gentle but clear. One of our members (who married a non-Christian) took the lesson hard, and she sobbed & sobbed after services. Fortunately Pamela & I are close to both **Bo Kyung** & her husband and we get together often. She knows how much we love them, and she did not disagree with my lesson. In fact she has talked openly at church about it being a bad idea to marry a non-Christian. We think it was actually a good thing for the singles to see Bo Kyung crying since that reinforced the message.

We have asked you to pray for one of our church members, **Nathalie**. Her marriage is breaking up, so she has been suffering spiritually as well. Because of the steadfast love shown to Nathalie by several Christians, she has now started coming back to church in an effort to renew her relationship with God. We can all thank God, but we do need to pray that Nathalie will be well grounded in her faith.

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND: On April 6, we made a quick dash to Geneva for the baptism of **Michel Ravaux**, 71 years old. Michel & **Rose** live two hours away from Geneva, the nearest church of Christ. They are the parents of Serge, a Lyon church member who was killed in a motorcycle accident in 2006. Rose has been a Christian for 41 years, but it was Serge's death that triggered Michel's spiritual search. We need to remember lessons like that at times of tragedy. And also to never, never, never give up!

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND: The annual retreat for Christian women from all of French-speaking Europe was held in Lausanne, just 2 hours from Lyon. The theme this year was Peace. As always, the weekend was a spiritual mountaintop for the 75 ladies who attended.

FRIENDS

In March we were blessed by a 4-day visit from long-time friends & supporters, **Randy & Carol Brewer** from Tulsa, Oklahoma.



Visiting Old Lyon with Randy & Carol

We had a blitzkrieg visit with **Craig Young**'s family when the Chorale Harmonie came from Marseille. **Katie** does an outstanding job as director of the chorus.

Miriam (Mel) Lenon from Kansas and **Cari Field** from North Carolina came through for 2 days in April. They had been studying at Harding University's overseas program in Florence, Italy.

We also got to see our dear friend **Bill Brunet** from Vermont. He often comes to Lyon on business. Bill has been a blessing to the Lyon work as well as to the mission in Burkina Faso, West Africa.

Last but not least, our close friend **Evelyn Lundy** from St. Louis came to see us for 2 days in April. She was in France visiting daughter Alisa, en route to join husband **Dale** at a mission point in Cambodia.

FURLOUGH FALL 2008

Every 3 years we travel throughout the States to report on our work, and this is the year (probably November/December).

The exchange rate keeps getting worse and worse. This means that, when we convert dollars into euros, we get less & less salary each month. This also means that for this furlough trip we are in desperate need of much more help than usual.

One way that you could help fund our furlough trip is to contribute frequent flyer miles. Besides our overseas flights, we will need to take several flights within the U.S. If you can help in this way, please contact us as soon as possible.

Would you please continue to pray for our financial situation? We thank God for those of you who have helped us out.



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FAMILY NEWS

We're everywhere, we're everywhere! Please pray for our family, now spread out on 4 continents.

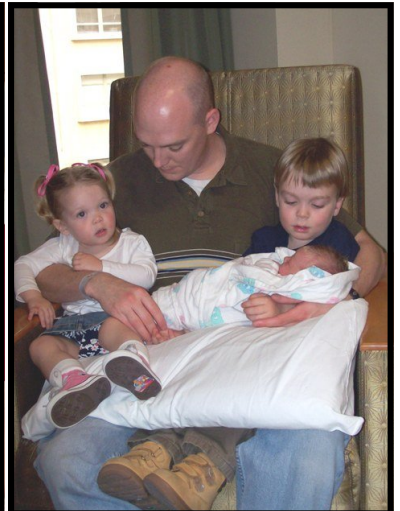
Jana's family (Timothy, Jana, Tristan & Judy Johnston) moved in January from Fort Worth to Arlington, Texas. Why? A month later their third child, Miss Melody Anne Johnston was born on February 28. Melody is our fifth grandchild. We have had one grandkid born every year since 2004.

Karen's family (Rick, Karen, Matthew & Lydia Love) have just moved to Zambia, Africa. They have made a 7-year commitment to do mission work there.

Daniel is doing well in St. Louis, Missouri, and enjoying his job at Emerson Electric.

Nathan recently returned to South Korea, where he is teaching English for a second year. Prior to his move to Seoul, he was able to spend 3 weeks with us in February/March.

Pamela & I are both doing great. It took Pamela a year to regain her strength, but she is completely back to normal once again. Praise God!



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