

# Hendrix Newsletter July 2020

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With God's help, how are we using the current situation for his glory?  
Can people around me see that I am compassionate and caring?  
Can they see my joy no matter what the circumstances?  
All this speaks of our faith louder than words!

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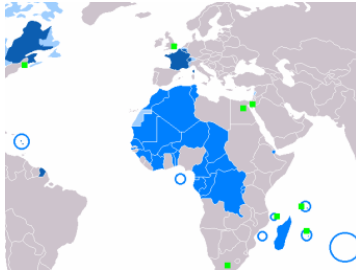
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## LYON

We thank God that no one in our local church has been ill with **COVID-19**. Two of our members from Madagascar have lost family and friends, and their grief is deepened by being so far away. It seems the whole world has been hit by the reality of death, that anyone could die today, but the contrast is striking between nonbelievers and Christians who aren't afraid to die. We must always bear in mind that our wisest investment is in spiritual things.





Outreach to the French-speaking world



## FAMILY

All 4 of our **children have moved** in the last 3 months! Let us know if you need an updated address. Phone numbers remain unchanged.

It's been hard on us to be away from family. Here's a rundown on why Pamela & I are a little blue at times.

Normally Pamela spends 3 weeks with her 95-year-old mother twice a year, but of course she had to **cancel her May trip**. Pamela & I have no idea when we will be able to travel to the States.

On May 22 our son **Nathan married Ahla MO** in Seattle, but we were unable to attend.



Our church wasn't very high tech at the beginning of confinement. Then our young adults stepped in with their technical expertise! Besides Sunday worship, we were able to continue our weekly Bible studies and prayer meetings with **video-conferencing**. Three months later we have now resumed worship in person with the requisite masks and social distancing, and we continue our Tuesday and Friday meetings on Zoom. One blessing is that people near and far are now following us online.



Arlin teaching an online Bible class from home

As **Aaron PALMER** (Colmar, France) said recently, "Through this challenge, I have been reminded that the church is not confined to a building with four walls, but it is a special people called out to live for God's glory in all corners of the globe! It has reminded me of the blessing of the universal church and that we are not alone in our walk of faith, even though we may not be in the physical presence of our brothers and sisters in Christ."



Our daughter Jana and family were forced to **cancel their June trip** to come see us.

**Jana's whole family got COVID-19** in Texas, but thankfully they have recovered completely.

Nathan & Ahla had wanted to come to France on business in August (and of course see us), but **no dice**.

Their **Korean wedding was postponed** that was supposed to be in Seoul in September (and naturally we were to attend).



Once again the lesson has hit home that we are not in control – and never have been really. Pamela & I cannot make plans, even though we prefer to plan projects well in advance. We take **one day at a time** and ask for God's guidance in how to use our time and serve others.

**Mizpah** – May God continue to watch over us all, near or far.

## FRIENDS

Many of you have asked to be "friends" on Facebook. Here's the best way to keep in touch with us on FB: "**Hendrix Mission**". There we regularly post news and

God is good, God is GREAT, and He is ever at work in our fallen world. It has been wonderful to keep close ties with brothers and sisters **around the world**, thanks to modern technology. Pamela & I have enjoyed the opportunity to follow online worship services from Marseille and Geneva.



Pamela setting up for worship during confinement

Another nice thing about the lockdown is that Pamela & I participated in a virtual chorus (Choeur à Coeurs) based in Marseille. Here's a link to one of our songs, the French version of "**Just As I Am / I Come Broken**":

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BdwgKWn79ns>

Here's the original English version if you wish:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cc2Y-WFrfdY>

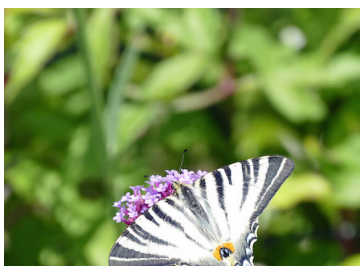


videos. Just another way to encourage others in their faith!

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Ever thankful to live in a house with  
a garden



## BEYOND LYON

Yet another blessing of the coronavirus lockdown was additional spare time. Leaders from almost all the French-speaking churches of Christ participated in several 2-hour teleconferences to work on **unity between congregations**. This was quite encouraging and definitely has promoted deeper ties, deeper trust, and a strong desire to work more closely together. Also behind the scenes brothers are working with one church who is reticent and even putting roadblocks to our unity efforts. Please pray about this.

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## Prayers

- That we be creative in using technology to reach out to others
- May each of us seek ways to serve, even with social distancing
- For all those who are afraid or hurting in these tough times
- That this crisis will bring people closer to God
- For our efforts toward church unity to bear fruit to God's glory
- That we learn to rely on God's timing to act and furnish results
- Lord, help me see how I can be an agent of blessing to others today

"Lord, **thank you** for silence. **Thank you** for this time allowing us to listen better. **Thank you** for showing us how to use online tools for your kingdom work."

***"You do not know what will happen tomorrow! Your life is like a mist. You can see it for a short time, but then it goes away. So you should say, 'If the Lord wants, we***

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will live and do this or  
that.'"**  
**(James 4:14-15)**

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