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We're thankful Arlin's Jan. 30 surgery went well.
In France one has until the end of January to send New Year's greetings. So BONNE ANNEE !

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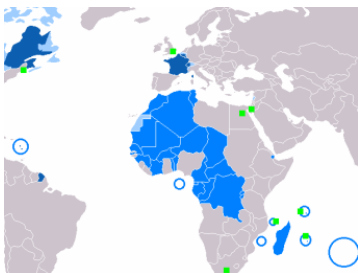
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LYON

In 2017 our church took an **immigrant family** under its wing, but unfortunately the government has refused their visa request. They can however remain in France until their 2 boys finish this school year. Pamela & I have given them information about churches in their hometown in Albania, for they had never set foot in a church before meeting us. Our prayer is that, because of what they've seen in Lyon, they will seek out Christians in Albania. We hope that one day we'll be reunited with them either in this life or in heaven.



Outreach to the French-speaking world

BEYOND LYON

Each year I organize the retreat housing for **church leaders** of French-speaking Europe. This time the Geneva congregation was responsible for the program. Thirty-eight men and women, young and old, met over a weekend to discuss ways to better edify our members and also evangelize.

PERSONAL NEWS

The last 2 Christmases Pamela & I were home alone (no fun!), so this year we made the trip to be with family. We spent Christmas with our daughter **Jana's** family in Texas. While there, our son **Nathan** from Seoul dropped in to surprise us! Over New Year's we were with our daughter **Karen's** family in Tennessee. Then on to Oklahoma to see Pamela's mother, **Lois WHITESELL**, as well as Pamela's brother & sister-in-law, **Wayne & Kim**. Pamela's cousins, **Chip & Sharyn** from California, joined us there for a wonderful visit. It was such a joy to spend time with them all!





FRIENDS



While in the States, we saw several supporters in Texas, Tennessee & Oklahoma. We also got to meet with **supporting churches** in Bristol, TX and Guthrie, OK. I spoke at both, and we were spoiled with scrumptious potlucks.

In December our former coworker, **Rachel Baggott**, died of a brain tumor. She and Barry were missionary apprentices in Lyon from 1984 to 1986, studying French before moving to Ivory Coast. They served there for over 16 years. Being already in the States, we were able to attend her funeral that reminded us of Rachel's Christ-like spirit and the hope she shared with all.

Prayers

- That our immigrant friends find a family in Jesus Christ once they return to Albania
- For the downtrodden the world over
- For the Holy Spirit to strengthen Christians who are persecuted or lonely
- For our children and grandchildren so far away from us
- For my foot surgery and recovery
- For Barry in adjusting to the loss of his mate and friend
- Pray for France, which often feels like a spiritual desert



January 30, I had complicated foot surgery to correct **hallux valgus**, a misalignment of my big toe and the 2 neighboring toes. This involved correcting ligaments, cutting bone and inserting screws. Recovery can take months, and I won't be able to walk for maybe 6 weeks. Prayers appreciated!

Note from Pamela: Several months ago I began my dream of writing a cookbook, and I've been sharing with 75 subscribers via email. Drop me a note if you'd like to receive my recipe ideas as PDF files with pictures. I specialize in simple dishes made from scratch with fruits & vegetables that are in season. **Good cuisine** doesn't require hours in the kitchen!



2017 HIGHLIGHTS

Last year was full of good things!

"You hold me by my right hand. You guide me with your counsel and afterward you will take me into glory.

Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."
(Psalm 73)

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1-January ladies' spiritual retreat

2-March mission trip to Guadeloupe

3-Guadeloupe, Pamela taught series on anger

4-April retreat for Lyon Church of Christ



5-May young adult weekend at church

6-Family retreat for European French-speaking churches

7-September, Arlin's big 7-0

8-November, Arlin finished plantings at our house

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