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Isabelle & Malek the day of her baptism



Nathalie & her 2 children



# LYON NEWS AND BEYOND

**LYON:** We were so glad to get home at the end of January. During our absence, two of our contacts, Isabelle and Julian, continued studying with Charles White. I have again begun studying with *Julian* (a law student) and will be picking up with Isabelle soon. The good news is that *Isabelle* decided to be baptized today (Sunday)! Please pray for her as she is married to a Muslim, who for the moment allows her to practice her faith.

Other good news is that our church member *Nathalie* started coming back to church on February 1! She is going through a divorce and struggling with her faith, but she is hanging in there because of continual encouragement by Christians here. We had her over for lunch last Sunday along with another family from church.

In January was the baptism of *Tania*, a single Muslim mother who has moved from Strasbourg to Grenoble. She made the 1-hour trip to Lyon for her baptism. Since she is struggling financially, the Lyon church will be providing transportation for her to come to church in Lyon once a month, and the Strasbourg congregation will be doing the same. Recently Tania's baby's finger was amputated when a door was slammed on it; doctors tried to re-attach the severed finger, but unsuccessfully. Please pray for Tania and her 2 children.

Also while we were gone, *Daniel FREROT* of Strasbourg presented to the Lyon church an audiovisual seminar dealing with faith and archaeology.

BURKINA FASO: Last fall *Chad & Amy CARTER*, a missionary family in West Africa, lost their home in a fire. They had studied French in Lyon in 2004, in preparation for their work in French-speaking Africa. The Lyon congregation took up a contribution and sent them a care package, and many American Christians have also sent help. We ask your prayers for the Carters and all the mission team in Dano, Burkina Faso.



### PLEASE PRAY:

- For Chad & Amy Carter in Burkina Faso, who lost their home in a fire.
- For Isabelle (French married to a Muslim), Julian & others who are studying God's Word.
- For Tania's & Nathalie's young faith and for their family situations.
- That God may use us to reach those who are seeking Him and to encourage those who are trying to do His will.
- That more monthly support will be provided for our ministry.

## PERSONAL NEWS

During our trip, Pamela and I celebrated our  $20^{\circ}$ wedding anniversary on December 10. We thank God for bringing us together, and we pray that our marriage will bring people closer to God.

A 25-year-old church member, Linda ALLEBE, has been living with us since last fall. She has done a great job taking care of our house & our Labrador. And it is a joy having her with us.

Not much is happening in our garden this winter. We did get 90 pounds of Kiwis, and Pamela just used the last of them to make 6 quarts of kiwi jam.



Our 20th anniversary

# RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Late January we returned from the furlough we take every 3 years for the purpose of reporting to supporters. We were gone nearly 3 months and covered 24 cities from sea to shining sea. In all we traveled over 21,000 miles (2800 miles of that by car).

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We slept in 22 different beds which, along the miles, made for a tiring marathon. The delight of the journey was seeing so many people who love the Lord and love us. Besides individuals, we visited 15 different churches and I had 26 speaking engagements. It was great to share a small part of what God is doing in the French-speaking world.

We were encouraged to see the interest people showed, not only in the Lord's work in Lyon and throughout the Frenchspeaking world, but in evangelism in general. Despite the economic crisis, Christians are still dedicated to reaching the lost, and we praise God for that.

On our trip we also had some delightful moments with family that we will cherish always. We visited our son Daniel in St. Louis and Pamela's brother in Nashville. Daniel and our daughter Jana's family joined us, Pamela's parents and Pamela's family in Oklahoma brother's Thanksgiving. We spent Christmas in Texas with Jana & Timothy, Tristan (4 years), Judy (2-1/2) and Melody (10 months). In January we visited my mother & brother in California.

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We thank all of you who helped out with our trip expenses. We were able to raise an additional \$350/month for our work, and we thank God for our supporters. We still lack some monthly support and funds for special missions and we are praying about that need.



Arlin & Pamela with Jana, Timothy, Tristan, Judy & Melody

### 2 Thessalonians 3 -

May the Lord of peace himself give you peace in all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.