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## **LYON NEWS**

Lately we have been blessed to be able to see God at work in several different circumstances. We know that He is always working, but it is nice to see it from time to time.

**Two Baptisms:** In September I had the honor of baptizing **Alphonsine BELL**. She was a coworker of one of our members, who invited her to church and suggested passages for her to read. Alphonsine then studied with 2 others besides me. Her husband is now studying too, and they have a 3-year-old daughter.

In October we had another baptism: **Constance VAROQUIER**, the 13-year-old daughter of two of our members. Constance is very mature for her age. She & her brother consider Pamela & me like an aunt & uncle, so you can imagine how proud we are.

**Wedding:** I had the honor of performing the ceremony for **Loïc & Michaëla BONFRE**, 2 of our Lyon members. Hailing from Lyon, Loïc was taught & baptized in Guadeloupe. Michaëla was taught & baptized in Paris even though from Guadeloupe. The wedding day (9 hours in all) was a powerful witness of faith to their family & friends. Their relatives already had good impressions of the Church of Christ, and several asked a lot of questions. Pamela & I have been friends with Loïc's parents for years, and all Michaëla's family stayed with us that weekend so we got to know them, too.



**Reunion:** 20 years ago, 2 Lyon families left us to join the International Church of Christ. In March they apologized for judging us in the past as not being Christians because we were not in their movement. Now their church in Lyon is called the Christian Congregation. This fall 51 of us got together for a potluck at our house. We are hopeful that our 2 churches will be able to fellowship with each other on special occasions. Praise God!

**Seminar:** **Max DAUNER** presented an excellent audiovisual program on Revelation based on the book he has written. The theme: In Christ, despite appearances, God's people cannot lose. Members & visitors alike learned much about the Good News of Hope in Jesus.

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## **VISITORS**

As mentioned at right, we housed the **SAINTE-LUCE** family who was in town for Michaëla's wedding. They included her mother, brother & sister-in-law, and an uncle. There was also a friend of the family, **Nathan MOYERS**, an American working in Paris and attending the congregation where Michaëla went before moving to Lyon.

Then **Doug & Liz WILLIAMS** arrived from Nashville, Tennessee, to teach English at a Lyon high school for a year. Before moving into their apartment, they stayed with us several days and accompanied me on the mountain hike. We are really happy to have them in Lyon. They are a real plus for the church because of their dedication to Christ.

We hosted **Max & Prisca DAUNER** from Marseille, the weekend of Max's seminar. Our friendship goes a long way back; Max helped my first wife Judy & me start the work in Lyon in 1975. After marrying Prisca, they worked in Lyon until 1989.

Last month, **Jack BOND** and **Richie, Buffy & Audrey LYNN** visited us from Memphis, Tennessee. They were representing the White Station Church of Christ that helps support us. What an encouragement they were! We had such a pleasant & enjoyable time getting to know them, and we eagerly look forward to other times we can be together.



PLEASE PRAY:

- That Alphonsine will continue growing spiritually and Eric will soon commit his life to the Lord
- That the many seeds planted at Loïc & Michaëla’s wedding will take root
- That the message of hope spoken at Elise’s funeral will lead many to seek Jesus
- That the God of all comfort be with the Andrzejewski family in their loss
- That the God of reconciliation will use us to break down barriers
- Thanksgiving to God for all the opportunities He gives us
- For wisdom so we will see those opportunities

*We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)*

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BEYOND LYON

LILLE, FRANCE

September 14, 12-year-old *Elise ANDRZEJEWSKI* from the Lille Church of Christ was killed in a horse-riding accident. For need of space, her funeral was held in the village Catholic Church, and the priest estimated the attendance at 800-1000. First Elise’s father *Richard* (a doctor) gave a powerful testimony of their family’s hope in Christ, followed by another mighty gospel message given by Elise’s Uncle *Pierre* (also a doctor). The singing was also inspiring since so many had converged from all French-speaking Europe. There again, many people were asking questions about our faith.

We have been close to the Andrzejewski family for years and also to the Lille church, particularly since they have been without a preacher since the late 80s. I preached there the Sunday after the funeral to relieve the men of teaching since the tragedy had touched them so deeply. There were a number of visitors at church that day.

SWITZERLAND

At the request of the church elders, we made a one-day trip to Geneva to counsel a couple who were having some difficulties. Our time with them went very well, and thankfully the couple is doing better.

Every autumn, men from the Geneva congregation invite others to join them on a hike in the Swiss Alps. We hiked up the mountain one day, spent the night and hiked back down the next day. As always, the scenery was magnificent, and once again we were reminded of God’s glory.



Elise (on left) & Andrzejewski family / Potluck at the Hendrix House

