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### FRIENDS

We are blessed to be with a number of close friends who live here in Oklahoma. Last month Doug & Liz WILLIAMS flew over from Atlanta to spend a weekend with us.

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We ourselves have been doing a lot of traveling too, mostly to see supporters since this is our furlough year. We have traveled from northern to southern California, Massachusetts, Georgia and all over Texas. There was also a special trip to Arkansas, where we visited friends/supporters and I received an honor at Harding University.

Total:  $\underline{15,300 \text{ miles}}$  traveled so  $\frac{1}{100}$  far (25,000 kilometers).

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say... Your God reigns. (Isaiah 52:7)





## **OKLAHOMA**

Our time here has many facets. Last time we wrote about our responsibilities with Oklahoma Christian University. Now we want to share some of what our life has been like.

The Sundays we are in town, we attend the Memorial Road Church of Christ (the university church 5 minutes from us) or our sponsoring congregation in Guthrie (25 minutes away). I have also gone to some of their men's breakfasts. On Mondays Pamela & I meet with the college missions club. Prior to that, we eat supper with friends in the student cafeteria.

I have spoken at missions chapel and also to the missions club. Pamela was on a panel for the Women in Missions class at the University. In addition, she was one of the Wednesday night teachers at the Memorial Road church.

Once we went to the Capitol Hill Church in a low-income area of Oklahoma City, where they have a clinic to meet both medical and social needs as well as spiritual. This is a great work that we long to help with more.

One of the OC students interned last summer with our daughter's family in Zambia. We have had **Zeke** over a couple of times, and it was so good to have news from Karen and to see his photos.

There are 60 Rwandans on campus, many of whom speak French. We have befriended several, and *Gaëlle* & 2 others insisted on preparing a Rwandan meal for us. It was wonderful, both the meal and the evening spent together.

I also visited with *Thomas*, a French student from Nice. His professor asked me to comment on some papers Thomas had written on apologetics. I could see that he is coming to faith in God, and I am hopeful for his future spiritually.

I study regularly with *Ting*, a Master's student who was converted in China a year ago. It is so refreshing because he is like a sponge soaking up God's Word.

Pamela has enjoyed spending time with *Lindsay*, who is back in Oklahoma after spending 2 years working with a church in Italy. She helped Pamela with a class she taught, and Pamela has tried to be an encouragement in Lindsay's adjustment to American life after living abroad.

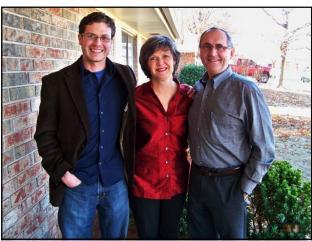
In a local store Pamela heard a young woman talking to her little girl in French. It turned out that the family is from Annecy (near Lyon) and is working here. When Pamela got home, she called *Katie* who used to work with us in Lyon. It just so happened that at almost the same time when Pamela met *Corinne*, Katie had prayed that God would lead her to a francophile. God moves in mysterious ways.

### FAMILY

Pamela's parents live just around the corner from our house. We enjoy having this time to visit, share a meal, play Scrabble or watch a DVD together. We got to take Lois (86 years old) to the state fair, which I always enjoy too because of my farm background. V.M. (89 years old) had emergency hernia surgery and was in the hospital 5 days, but he has recovered well and we are all thankful.

Our family is scattered around the world. Jana's family (children 8, 6 4 4 years old) lives near Dallas, where Jana is a nurse and Timothy a policeman. Karen's family (children 7, 5, 3 4 1) lives in Zambia, where they work as missionaries. Daniel has moved to Texas and is currently between jobs. Nathan is in Seoul, Korea, where he is in his 4<sup>th</sup> year of teaching English. We have been blessed to see Jana 4 family and Daniel often these past few months.

Concerning Rick & Karen in Zambia, they are looking for a teacher for their children ages 7 & 5. Please pray and if you know someone interested, go to: <a href="https://www.mumenamissions.org">www.mumenamissions.org</a>







## **HEALTH**

We had a big scare when one morning I had excruciating back pain (radiating toward the chest), chest constriction, nausea, shortness of breath and numbness in my left arm. Pamela called 911, and two fire trucks and an ambulance responded. I was rushed to the heart hospital and, after 3 hours in ER, a heart problem was ruled out. It proved to be nothing more than a severe back spasm.

Happily, Pamela's sinus infection rarely handicaps her more than needing extra rest. She also broke a molar and had to have a crown. Unfortunately our French health insurance kicks in only for overnight hospital care in the United States, so we were stuck with some hefty medical bills.

Today we are pleased to report that we are doing well, although all the traveling tires us. God has proven His faithfulness to us over and over these past few months. Satan knows our greatest fears. God knows them, too, and He is worthy of our complete trust. We are so grateful that He is willing to show us how much He is willing and able to provide for all our needs. And much more!



### **PLEASE PRAY:**

- For the remaining 3 months of our ministry here and the Lyon church in our absence
- That God use us to inspire young people to turn their lives over to God and serve Him full-time
- That we follow God's lead to touch many other people here in His name
- That God will continue working in the lives of people we have lost touch with (to God be the glory)
- Thanksgiving for the obvious blessings of family, friends & health
- Thanksgiving for all of God's blessings and the faith to see those we have not yet recognized
- Praise for all the ways God has provided for us so that we may be filled with love, joy, peace...