



Taking the gospel power to the land of the Eiffel Tower

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Most years we begin our summer update to you with the same reminder that the months of July and August can be challenging due to everyone's travel plans. It's not just half of our church that is gone in July and August. It's the entire population that takes advantage of France's generous vacation period. Having said that, this summer is shaping up to be very interesting!

Right before folks began to leave for the summer, we were blessed to be able to sit down and have a great discussion with "E". He's a middle schooler who's been coming to church for a couple of years now. He already had a great intellectual understanding of the Gospel, but it was only recently that the Holy Spirit used something he heard in a service to ignite a spark that became a salvation flame.

In other summer news, we've sent off a group from our church to youth camp in Belgium. Kids from all over Europe will hear the importance of the Gospel and how God's grace transforms lives for His glory. Pray with us that His will be done in these precious lives.

Finally, that brings us to our building project. The long-awaited land lease is in the approval stage by the prefecture of our department. This process normally takes 3 months before we can do our part to sign it into effect. However! In studying a copy of the lease agreement, we discovered a serious problem. The prior agreed upon amount was pennies on the dollar. However the new contract would require from us an impossible monthly payment for the land. PRAY with us that this issue can be resolved quickly. If it's a simple error, we're looking at another 3-to-6-month delay. If it's not an error and the city is unwilling to budge, we'll have to start from scratch. That would require either purchasing the property outright or finding another piece of land to acquire in order to move forward. We don't pretend to know what the future holds but are simply seeking God's favor and will in finally seeing a church built here in our community.

Thank you for investing in the Gospel here in France!

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