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As people were filing out of church recently Jean-Paul shook my hand and said "Thank you for what you are doing here. This...this is important!" When he would not let go of my hand, I realized he had a lot on his heart. With tears in his eyes, he began to share that he had lived his entire life as an atheist, having lost his father as a young boy. "I understand now that God exists, that He loves me and I need to be here in this church if I'm going to learn more about all I've missed." Pray with us that Jean-Paul comes to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ in the days to come.

Speaking of prayer! The detailed estimate for our building project has finally arrived and came in at 350,000 euros. Between potential cost overruns and the need to properly furnish the church we are preparing for an overall budget of 400,000 euros. With 320,000 euros in the bank, the remaining 80,000 euros will be our next obstacle. An initial meeting with a bank was promising and we are trusting God to continue to open doors and knock down remaining barriers.

Last but not least, our family will be spending a few weeks in America this summer, visiting churches and spending time with family. While there, we will be helping our oldest daughter Kirianna as she settles into a new life in Missouri. We are excited about the opportunity that she has before her, but we covet your prayers for the family during this upcoming transition.

No one can deny our world is in turmoil and that we live in uncertain times. How encouraging it is to know that our Lord is sovereign, and that He still desires to use us in the needy harvest field of France.

Yours for souls in France,

Lance, Amy, Kirianna, Aliyah, Cannon & Kayne Auterson