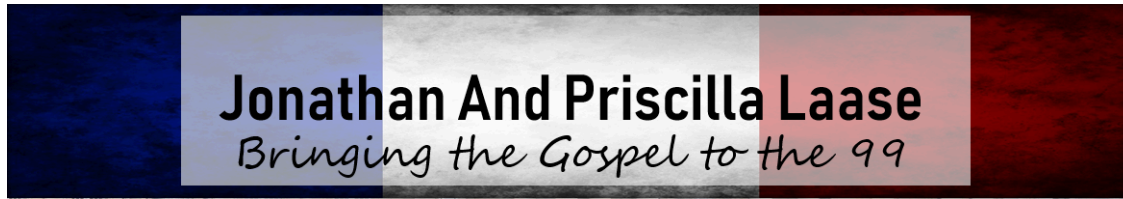


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Dear Partners in the ministry!

Moving Forward

After three months back in France we look upon these first months of our second term with great joy and praise for all the Lord has done and allowed us to do!

On the 15th of April, we moved into our new apartment in Aix and started meeting there, after renting a restaurant for our Sunday services. This was a blessing for us to move in only one month after our return because it is very difficult to find housing in Aix-en-Provence. Immediately, we started working on creating our church legally after having held the initial business meetings. By God's grace, this went faster than expected and we received the validation of our churches' creation just two weeks ago which by french standards was quick! Last week, we finally were able to open our bank account and we are excited to start the search for a permanent meeting place.

Please pray for the search and for additional legal and administrative work we need to do with the government.

Baptism #1

We also praise the Lord as we have seen Him at work with our church's first Baptism! Our brother P was baptized on May 18th. In his testimony, P shared how he had never been able to be part of a local church because of the lack thereof. He shared how happy he is to have found a church and how glad he was to be able to obey the Lord in believers Baptism. We join our voices to his to say thank you. Thank you for enabling us to be here to start this church and serve the Lord's flock!

Please pray for P as he grows in the Lord, and pray for the many unbelievers who witnessed this baptism on a crowded public beach. Also pray for his wife who is catholic and very much opposed to his faith but who came for his baptism.

A Busy Spring

In addition to all of this we have been very busy! Jonathan spent two weeks teaching at the Bible Institute in Northern France to help prepare the next generation of french pastors. The back and forth trips on weekends to preach and then go back up to the institute made for an intense two weeks. In addition, we also attended a BMM German/French missionary conference in Germany. If that weren't enough, Jonathan was also asked to speak at an inter-church camp last week.

Please pray for all those that we ministered to during this time and pray for us as we continue to move forward with the work in Aix.

Thank you for your prayers and support!
Jonathan, Priscilla and Timothy Laase
Your voices to the French.
