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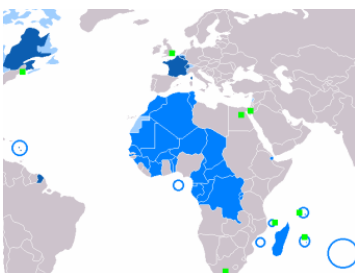
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Outreach to the French

LYON

Clotilde & David: In our last newsletter we shared the good news of Clotilde's **baptism**. I don't know if you can imagine how thrilled we were to be part of David & Clotilde's **wedding** last weekend. We also rejoice that they have joined our other young adults in taking an active role in the Lyon church. Clotilde began to know God during summer Bible camps. David, also a fine Christian, grew up in the Geneva congregation.



Outreach to the French-
speaking world

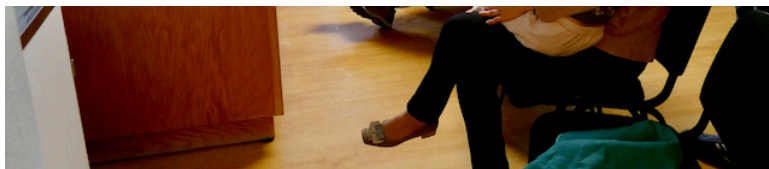


PRAYERS

- For newlyweds **David & Clotilde**
- That the Holy Spirit will strengthen & guide **Pierrick**
- That God will continue to lead the lives of our **young adults** at church
- For the Dib family and for **refugees** throughout the world
- That we all be mindful of helping people **know God** more intimately
- Thanksgiving for our **family church retreat**
- Gratitude for **you who support us** prayerfully & financially to share the Good news of Jesus

FRIENDS

We are blessed with a number of bonus children. Doug & Liz **WILLIAMS** from Nashville are particularly dear to us since they lived in Lyon and even spent part of



Rejoicing with the angels in heaven at Clotilde's baptism

Prodigal: There is joy in heaven because our dear brother **Pierrick** recently had the courage to come before the church to confess his sins and ask forgiveness of God and us all for his bad choices & attitudes in the past. Needless to say, there is also joy in our church family to have him back!

Refugees: Our assembly has become involved with the **DIB family**, who had fled Syria because of their faith in Jesus. Even though they don't speak much French, we invited them into our home for a meal. They were so touched by our hospitality that they insist we come to their home and we plan to do so soon. As God told Israel, we are all to show compassion to foreigners because we are all foreigners in a world that is not our home.



Want to hop over for a quick **video visit** of Lyon? www.youtube.com/watch?v=lqsUpCsKcHQ

BEYOND LYON

Switzerland: Pamela and I have many close friends in **Geneva** since we both lived there before Lyon. We naturally love to return and occasionally I'm asked to speak on Sunday. There's never enough time to see everyone, but it is still a glimpse of heaven!

Lyon and even spent part of their honeymoon with us. We were thrilled to have **Doug, Liz, Caroline & Ben** come back to visit us for 6 days.



Barbara & Bonnie KEE from Searcy, Arkansas, also came to see us while visiting in Geneva. Doyle & Barbara worked with the church there for over 40 years, and we were very close both geographically and in spirit. Doyle's death in 2019 still leaves a hole in our heart.



The population of **prairie butterflies** had already dropped 30% by 2015, according to Butterfly Conservation Europe. Since then, the number has continued to drop another 20% at the very least. (*Pascal Dupont, Butterfly Specialist, French Natural History Museum*) Pamela & I are doing our best to recreate a butterfly habitat in our small corner of nature.

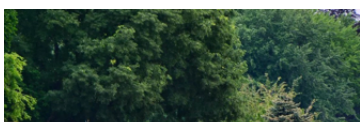
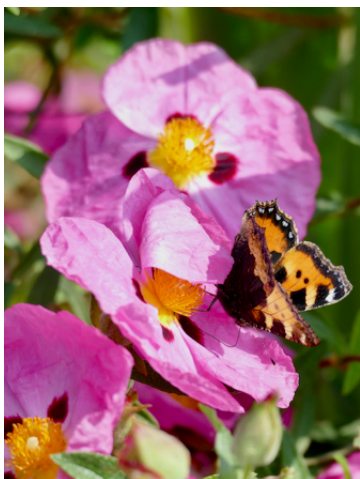
4 scenes from the Hendrix garden



Arlin teaching in Geneva

Central France: Over 120 of us from France & Switzerland attended the 3-day **family retreat** over a long holiday weekend. Our theme was "God Answers". Different ones spoke about prayer & God's responses, and some gave personal testimonies. The highlight (other than our singing tradition) was the small group discussions, particularly rich since we shared about when God answered our prayers or when he gave answers other than what we prayed for.





We love to sing a cappella with 4-part harmony

Virtual chorus: "Tout mon être chante Christ est vivant !"

by **Chœur à cœurs:**

www.youtube.com/watch?v=DAYNYCr3ra4

In English it's "Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed":

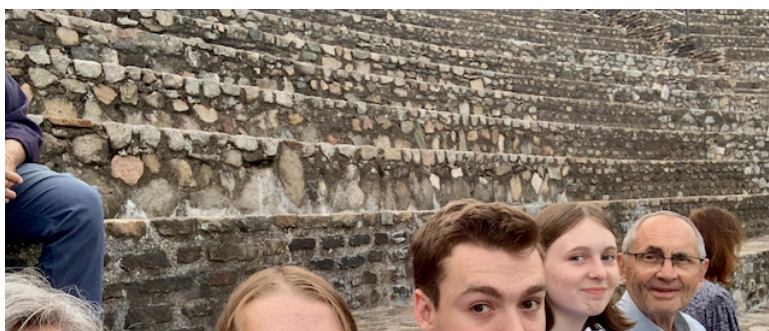
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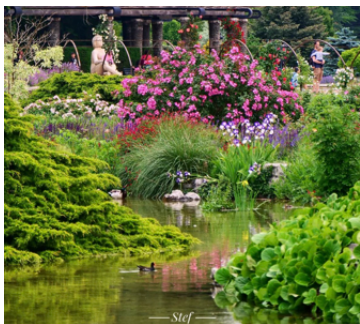


Chœur à cœurs members who were present at the retreat

FAMILY

We had a glorious 2-week visit from our Texas grandchildren, Jana's kids **Tristan (19)**, **Judy (17)** & **Melody (15)**. We headed up to hike in the mountains, as we also did with the Williams family. Tristan is big into mountain biking, so he was happy to bike in the Alps. We also went to a classical concert in Lyon's Roman theater, climbed to the roof of Lyon's basilica, visited a medieval village and attended a cooking class in downtown Lyon. Did we have fun? You bet!





Parc de la Tête d'Or in Lyon



Lyon's Place Bellecour



Swans on the Saône River

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Did you know that the French are world champions at time spent at the table? **2 hours and 11 minutes** a day! Americans come in last place with only 1 hour and 1 minute daily. (*INSEE study*)



Lunch alfresco at the Hendrix home

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy." (Proverbs 28:13)

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