

The French Press

By the James Carney Family

Dear Praying Friends,

As mentioned last prayer letter, I have been meeting with four of the men at our church to encourage them to take more responsibility in the church. The first thing we are working on is how to share their testimony. It is not a complicated task, but it is a good place to start. Plus, this gives me the opportunity to hear the men's stories about how they came to Christ and how they have grown since then. Please pray that God would equip these men for His work here in France.

The end of August we began 'filling-in' for Donald & Joy Williams. We will be 'filling-in' for them until next April. Please pray for Mrs. Williams' family (father, sister, and brother-in-law) who have had some health issues. Pray for them as they tend to their family and report to their supporting churches. We had the opportunity to preach at teen camp on two different occasions and it was much fun. The teens had more steam on the opening night, than they did on the closing night, but both nights were exciting.

Over the next four months we have planned a special outreach for each month. These events will help pull the members together in teamwork and give them opportunities to invite their friends and neighbors to come to an activity where the gospel will be given. People resist going to church, but we have found that outreach events function as a bridge to help people come to Christ. These efforts form an essential part of our outreach.

The first Sunday in September was our "back-to-school BBQ." We had a couple of unsaved people who heard the gospel. Then, in October, we will be having an "open door" event at the church. We have printed flyers and registered with a local radio station who will be announcing the event twice a day. Next, in November, we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving appeals to people who are curious about American culture. Finally, in December, we will have a special Christmas service and party. This is usually one of the best attended events of the year. Please pray for these events.

As always, we appreciate your prayers. Please know that we pray for you and that we need your prayers as we patiently reach those who oppose themselves to the Truth (2 Timothy 2:25).

Merci,



James & Virginie Carney

