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TEAM MONTPELLIER

Reaching the nations with the hope of the Gospel

pastoring the International Chapel of Montpellier, France

Matthew 28:19 - Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Our original thought when coming to Montpellier was to serve five years and then see how the Lord might lead after that. We are now into our fourteenth year of ministry here and continue to minister believing that the Lord will make things clear when it is time to leave. In the meanwhile, we want to do our best and be faithful to the ministry to which God has called us.

It is our joy to serve among the nations — a diverse group of people, coming from places all around the world. On any given Sunday or ministry event, we are interacting with, building relationships with, encouraging, teaching, counseling, comforting, mentoring, sharing the Gospel with and discipling people from over 20 different countries - the majority coming from Europe, Asia, & Africa.

Thank you for being a part of what the Lord is doing in this part of the world where:

- Less than 3% of the peoples of Europe have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Around 1% of the French population have a personal relationship with the Lord; 1 out of 3 persons describe themselves as atheists.
- 1 Bible-believing church for every 34,000 people here in France.
- Montpellier is the 8th largest city in France, with a growing and very diverse population of about 275,000 people (450,000 including the surrounding villages). An interesting statistic is that 43% of the population in Montpellier are under the age of 30.

Thank you for being a part of what God is doing in the fertile soil here in Montpellier, France among the international expat community, as well as, to the local French community. Through your prayers and financial gifts we are together able to see growth in the lives of people, both young and old. Growth that can only be described as the work of God. **Praise His Holy Name.**



A ministry highlight this past year was our Thanksgiving Dinner. We had nearly 60 people come with a number of invited guests, including some who do not know the Lord. All those who came heard a clear message from God's Word.

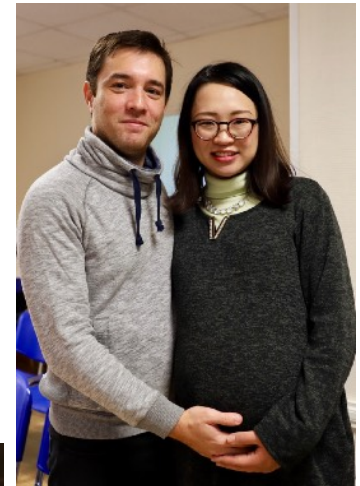
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(Right) Another ministry highlight from this past year was a special baptism service.

(Below) Pictures of some of those we are seeking to share the Gospel with and disciple.



Please pray for these upcoming events:

- ➔ Ladies Bible Study, Saturday morning, 10 February. The Ladies are working their way through Titus 2 with the Bible study Interior Design 201 - DeMoss.
- ➔ Church Family Game Night, Friday evening, 16 February. Please pray for unsaved invited guests who come that they will sense the love and unity among God's people.
- ➔ Mens Bible Study, Thursday evening, 22 February. The men are finishing a DVD study — The Forgiveness of Jesus.

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