

The Burns Family to Quebec Canada

May/June 2024

Gospel wings—A big thank you to all who have been praying for good flying weather—God is answering



those prayers! On June 21, Wes, Kelsey, and Kenan approached a small village to the northwest, and landed on the gravel runway. They spent most of the rest of the day making their way through the village and taking Gospel literature to the close to 500 homes. We praise the Lord for the

great flying weather He provided, for safety during the flight, and for the seeds that were sown in this very needy village through the conversations that the Lord allowed. Please pray that souls would be saved!

Night rating—At the beginning of June, Wes was able to renew his night rating in the Cessna 172! Having this rating current provides more flexibility in flying in the early morning or late evening hours. We are excited about having this extra wiggle room, and look forward to other trips this summer and in the fall.

Baptisms—In May, we rejoiced to witness the baptism of two of the teens in the youth group, Aidan and



Bianca, as well as their mother Barbara. Both teens were saved shortly after beginning to attend with us last December. It was a blessing to hear their testimonies, and to see how the Lord has worked in their lives. Please pray for Barbara's husband Steve. He faithfully attends the services with his family, listens attentively to the messages, and brings their children to youth group, but has not yet made that crucial step to accept Christ as Saviour. Please pray for his salvation! Also, at the end of June, we traveled up to La Tuque, where Wes had the privilege of baptizing a man named Marcel in Castor Lake. Please

pray for Marcel's continued spiritual growth, and that the service would be a testimony to all who attended.

Ladies breakfast—At the beginning of June, we had our first Ladies Breakfast. The morning proved to be a special and spiritually enriching time for the ladies. They had a wonderful time getting to know each other on a deeper level, sharing their burdens, and praying together. Rebecca also shared a short devotional on Spiritual Gardening (comparing gardening to our spiritual life). There was much positive feedback on the morning, with some hinting that Ladies Breakfasts should regularly appear in the church calendar! Please pray that the Lord would continue to work in each of these ladies' lives!



Encouraging growth—Recently, we have been encouraged to see John and his family become more faithful in attending services—even the evening service and prayer meeting! They have also had a desire to get involved in evangelisation efforts with our family in several subdivisions here in Trois- Rivières. In the last month or



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so, we have together distributed around 850 beautiful door hangars displaying the Gospel message and the church contact information. This family is currently overseas, where they will spend most of the summer, seeking to reach their unsaved family members there with the Gospel. Please pray that the Lord would use their testimony to bring many of their family members to salvation in Christ!

Unsaved young lady—We would appreciate your prayers for a young lady named Leila. She has been recently attending almost every Sunday morning service, but has yet to accept Christ as Saviour. Both Rebecca and Kelsey have had several opportunities to speak with her about the Lord, and she has been reading her Bible as well. She expressed interest in having a Bible study with Rebecca, but up to this point, anything they have planned seems to fall through. Please pray that we would have more opportunities to share Christ with her, and that she would really understand the Gospel and be saved!

Piano recital—Over the past two years, Kelsey has been teaching beginning piano lessons to some children and a couple of adults in the church. This year, a few of them have advanced to the point where they were able to play a simple hymn in church! This has been a great encouragement to the church family, and has provided variety to the music in the church service. At the end of the year, Kelsey held a recital for her students at the church. The recital brought in several unsaved relatives of the piano students, who otherwise may never have set foot in church. We prayed to open and close the



recital, and all of the unsaved guests stayed to the reception afterwards, where they had great opportunity to mingle with several church folks. Please pray that this recital would be used to bring these unsaved to Christ!

Youth for Jesus (Jeunesse pour Jésus)—In May, one of our faithful families brought visitors to Youth for Jesus—an unsaved Vietnamese lady (Ha) and her son (Lam). Besides enjoying the Bible lesson, game time, and visit around the supper meal, Ha and Lam also had the opportunity to hear about the Lord! Please pray that they will come back, and that they would be saved! Near the end of June, we had the last Youth for Jesus before summer break. The next event for this age group will be VBS in August. Please pray for the VBS preparations, and that the Lord would already be preparing hearts for this important outreach!

Teens for Jesus (Ados pour Jésus)—Ados pour Jésus is proving to be a special time of spiritual encouragement for the teens. We have been going through a series of studies with them on God's will, a topic which is crucial for this season of their lives. They are also enjoying the opportunity to fellowship with other believers in their age group. Near the beginning of June, we had the last youth group before taking a break for the summer. After the Bible study, we headed outside for some water balloon fun! And near the end of June, the three teen young ladies sang a beautiful trio in church—"O Rejoice in the Lord." What a blessing it was to the church family! Please continue to pray for these teens to follow the Lord with their whole heart!

Young Men's Group—The young men's group is a vibrant ministry—what an encouragement it is to see the young men listening attentively during the Bible studies, and continuing to serve the Lord in the church (including recent work on the church sign). Please pray for these young men, several of whom work in situations where they are surrounded by worldliness and temptations. Please pray that they will stand firm for the Lord!

We appreciate so much your faithfulness in praying for our family, in supporting the ministry here, and in partnering with us! May the Lord bless you abundantly!



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