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“Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.”

Colossians 4:2 (ESV)



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Books Blocked in Benin

Last year's France Impressions Team (FIT) packed books for many destinations including a shipment for some pastors in Benin. Demanding high fees, customs in Benin held the books. The books' publisher provided a letter explaining that they were a gift—but to no avail. The pastors decided to try to find the funds together. **As of last week, the books are still blocked in customs, and storage charges have been added.** The shipping company is offering to ship the books back to France or destroy them, incurring more charges. Please ask God to remove the block or miraculously provide around \$1,000 (a huge sum for Beninese pastors) to get the shipment released, so these books can bless lives. Please also lift up Beautiful Feet partner Rev. Maouna Maxime Kakpo (pictured above), who has been leading the discussions locally with the shipping agent/customs.



Members of the 2024 IQ team having fun at Camp des Îles in Quebec (left) and the 2024 FIT enjoying a communal feast at Iméaf in France (right)

Deadline Extended

Many applications and references are coming in fast for the 2025 France Impressions Team (FIT) and Illuminate Quebec (IQ) team. **By popular demand, we extended the deadline.** Please ask God to put together each team and help us take candidates through our application and selection process. Please also pray for Jaël (who co-directs Camp des Îles in Quebec with her husband Zak) and daughter Zoë Kenney flying to Indianapolis to spend this weekend with IQ team leader and SF Board Vice-President Amy Lynelle and her family.

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Partners in Publishing

SF partners Fabrice and Sylviane Dubus-Decker (pictured above) recently shared some praises and prayer requests. The couple just celebrated their fifth anniversary working with Éditions Clé, a publishing house dedicated to producing resources in French to help in understanding the Scriptures and communicating the Gospel.

Praises:

- The blessing of contributing to the publication of more than 40 books and the distribution of tens of thousands of works throughout the French-speaking world
- Provision of sufficient funds, an apartment in a wonderful region, and a good local church
- Recovered health for Fabrice and successful back surgery for Sylviane who no longer suffers daily from back pain

Prayer requests:

- That God would keep Sylviane and Fabrice faithful, allowing the resources to which they contribute to nourish God's people and bring hearts to salvation through Jesus
- That God would keep Éditions Clé faithful to the Word in years to come
- Sylviane was recently diagnosed with Hashimoto's disease, which has been a source of great fatigue. They praise God for the early detection, which the ultrasound tech called "random," but which they know is God's providence.



David Langford with 12 trained chaplains receiving libraries for each of their high schools last year

Missionary Flying to Safety

Despite the recent conflict in the DRC, David Langford (one of our partners in our “Adopt a High School” project) has continued teaching. Dr. Bagudekia Alobeyo, the founder and director of the university in Dungu where David is teaching, reports that Ugandan troops have entered the DRC. Missionaries are being evacuated to further north. David would normally continue teaching for three more weeks in Dungu and then stay a week or so in Bunia. But after receiving counsel to leave, **he has requested a Missionary Aviation Fellowship pilot to get him** Thursday or Friday and fly him to a border town from where he can cross into a neighboring country. Please pray for David along with his wife Lilla and family who remain stateside. Please also pray for our Congolese brothers and sisters who cannot leave the fraught situation in their home country.

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“Beloved, if God
so loved us, we
also ought to love
one another.”
(I John 4:11)

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