

# Newsletter

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Dear Friends & Family,

Hope you are well. We're well but it's difficult to be so far apart for so long. We know we're working together to serve the same good, loving, all-powerful God!

'Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'"

(Mark 11: 9-10, NRSV)

At this Easter time we're running a Youth Camp in Koundoul for the children of *La Bergerie* School. This gives each child the opportunity to have an intense time of prayer, worship and Biblical teaching in a supportive environment, to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus. We're also running workshops on how to play the guitar/drums, leather working & sewing, first aid and IT.

Celestin is busy directing the team from the church, *La Bergerie Evangelique des Nations* to organise and run the camp. 60 children came on the first day, and more are likely to arrive during the week. The theme is, "Let no-one despise your youth and go with the strength you have." We are expecting miracles as God works in the lives of all those involved! The camp comes after running a seminar in the church entitled, 'Only the cross of Golgotha!'

Margaret is officially half-way through her Return to Nursing course. Long days mean getting up at 05:30 to catch the bus to the community hospital placement, working an 11.5 hour shift, and arriving back at Mum's house at 21:30. It's tiring but going well; the 'mock' maths test wasn't so bad as expected! Praise God!



This photo is *La Bergerie Health Centre* plastered & painted, Praise God! Need to furnish and equip it before we can open.

We're hoping Celestin will be able to apply for a UK visa, to visit for a couple of months during the summer. This means having to raise enough support/funds for the journey, provide the right documents and evidence and make a long trip to the application centre.

We are grateful to all who support us in prayer and financially. Thank you especially to those who helped with paying the teachers' salaries. It is an ongoing challenge that gets harder during the school year as money runs out.

## PRAYER POINTS:

- Please pray for the Youth Camp this week. Pray for all the children and volunteer helpers, that they would hear God's voice, develop intimacy with God and be encouraged to grow in faith. Pray for miracles of healing and deliverance. Pray for good times of worship; and Bible/discipleship teaching that is understood and put into practice. Pray for the finances we need for food, cooking, teaching activities and maintaining the campsite.
- Please continue to pray for the school: for the children's education and the teachers/staff and parents. That they would grow in their knowledge of God and learn how to live together peacefully. Finances to run the school.
- Pray for the visa application and journey that Celestin will have to make.
- Pray for Margaret to continue to update her nursing skills and cope with the long days of work.

If you would like to give towards our work please use our UK bank account:

Bank name: Santander; Account name: Margaret M TANNER; Sort Code: 09-01-32; Account no.: 85726803.

Thank you

## HAPPY EASTER!

God Bless You!

Thank you for all your prayers and support!

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