



The view from the outdoor dining tables at Camp Champfleuri

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. Revelation 7:9 (NIV)

## July/August Combined Newsletter

It's been a busy couple of months. We've traveled some, we've had guests come to visit, and we started our French Lessons. On top of that we worked at a Christian camp and became legal residents of France! Read on for details.

### We get to stay in France!

Frank and Laura are European citizens so they could already stay in France as long as they like. Pam, on the other hand, had only 90 days to get legal or get kicked out. We set up an appointment for her to get a residence card and the first available appointment was 14 days before the end of her 90 days grace period. So, if anything went wrong, there would not be time to fix it. We had lots of people praying for this appointment and thankfully, everything went smoothly on our visit to the Préfecture de la Savoie in Chambéry on July 28 and Pam got her legal permit to stay in France which will be good for five years.



We just finished volunteering at a Christian camp called Champfleuri. We were prepared to clean bathrooms, wash and dry dishes, and work pretty hard. That is exactly what we did. What we didn't expect was to be blessed so much by being there. The team worked so hard together, and the fellowship was so sweet. Our teammates came from England, Germany, Brazil, and Canada.





We were incredibly blessed and humbled to learn that many prayers had gone out for finding volunteers at Champfleuri for the first two weeks of August. When we contacted the director back in April to ask if we could help out, we (Frank, Laura, and Pam) had no idea that we were the answer to *their* prayers by completing the team. Running the camp those two weeks required five or six full-time volunteers, and they only had a few commitments at that time. We thank God for how all the prayers have blessed us!!

We're back home now getting some much-needed rest. On September 4, we will resume our French language and culture lessons with Valérie. In the meantime, we'll visit some friends and try to stay cool in the midst of the current heat wave.

## Prayers and Praises

We're thankful for

- Pam getting her French residence card. This is a huge praise and we really saw God provide for us.
- Our time at Champfleuri. This was a great blessing and despite the hard work was a spiritual retreat for us as we got to enjoy being surrounded by committed Christians from around the world for two weeks.

- We are humbled for the doors that have opened due to the great love and kindness of our God.

## Prayer Requests

- We are daily confronted with our need to improve our French language skills. Pray that God will supernaturally intervene and help us in our efforts to better speak and understand French.
- We pray for wisdom as we choose a local association to join to meet local people and to practice our French. There is a city-wide sign-up day in September. Frank is looking for a biking group and Pam is trying to choose between several options.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers!! We appreciate it!

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