



LA LUMIÈRE

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Celle-ci était la véritable lumière, celle qui, en venant dans le monde, éclaire tout être humain.

John 1:9

Un GOD'S PERFECT TIMING

When we arrived in Billings in February, Silas was very shy and tentative with others. Living in France most of his life and not having many friends had grown a heavy introverted shell he constantly hid behind. His parents were his only friends. Then the Lord brought us to our current apartment where Silas met Reece, Remi and Ryland. These neighbors have become dear friends to Silas. We've seen him climb outside his shell and obliterate it. The shouts of children shooting each other with squirt guns or racing down the sidewalk are common these days. What a blessing for Silas! The Lord knows exactly what we need, and his timing is perfect. We're holding onto that thought as we continue developing our team of supporters. We don't know exactly when we'll reach 100%, but God does, and His timing is perfect. Meanwhile, Silas continues to benefit from his treasured friends.



Silas with Reece, Remington, and Ryland – in their element.

all have intrinsic values that differ as individuals. But as a culture, many of our deeper values are the same. We Americans tend to hold certain things in high regard: autonomy, convenience, comfort, efficiency, ambition and achievement. When our values aren't being infringed upon – life is smooth. Yet these aren't highly valued in most other countries. Here is one example. Once while driving home from the grocery store in France, Dan couldn't get to our apartment because there were thousands marching in protest

down our street! The French highly value their right to strike and voice their opinion. Dan, valuing convenience and efficiency, was upset at having to carry groceries several blocks so they wouldn't spoil. This is value conflict, an unavoidable part of living overseas. But it applies to you too! Are American values all the same as God's values? Our job -in any culture- is to constantly pursue what our Lord says is important: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. A Christian should feel value conflict anywhere in the world. May we feel that conflict as the Holy Spirit works to make us look more like Jesus!

Deux FLY A LOT?

There are creative ways you could help us get to Germany quicker. Flying overseas is expensive, especially with a family. We've allocated \$2,000 just to get us there. If you have frequent-flyer miles to spare, you could help us with those tickets and save us that expense. Please let us know if this might be possible!

Trois WHEN VALUES CLASH

Values bring many relationships together. Think about your friends, you probably share some common value – coffee, recreation, children, or faith for example. We

Please pray...

- for the mass of administrative details we're starting to confront.
- that we find significant special gifts to meet our 1-time needs.
- that God provide 100% of our monthly support.

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