



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 CULTURE SHOCK, IN REVERSE

I've been bracing myself for weeks now. I've been through it before, I know it's coming – reverse culture shock. Surprisingly it seems to get worse every time we go back to the States, because we're getting more and more used to living in France. There are simple things like hearing your mother tongue being spoken around you, understanding everything with such little effort. My mind rebels by thinking in French or bringing up a French praise song. There are waves of nostalgia as I saunter down the aisles of the grocery store thinking – ooh, Twizzlers, and Mountain Dew, Beemans gum and aah, root beer. Europeans never like root



beer, they say it tastes like medicine. I had Silas and Efrem drinking root beer young, just to make sure they'd like it. There are spaceous yards lining wide boulevards, not to mention the enormous vehicles driving down them. It is also harder to find opportunities to ride my bike or simply walk places like I normally do. Another thing is that strangers talk to me here. In France I would never chat with the guy at the post office or have some random person at a restaurant engage me in conversation. It's different and takes some getting used to.

deux GOD AT WORK

Eleven. That's the number of French students who made decisions for Christ this year while in contact with the campus ministry in France. That doesn't include those who were

reached online. The numbers increase every year. God is working in France! Our role is simple – take the initiative, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and leave the results to God. What a privilege it is that God wants to work through us, but any fruit our ministry sees is God's. Are you listening for areas God wants you to take initiative? Are you trusting in His power as you step out in faith?

trois PROGRESS

The boys' bedroom has come a very long way. The ceiling is insulated, finished and painted. The electricity has been rerouted. The walls have been smoothed out and painted.



The floor has been leveled, insulated, and the hard woods are laid! All that remains is sanding and finishing the floor, then installing the wall molding. We'll all be happy when it's finally done!

Please pray...

- for safe travels for May, Silas and Efrem. They leave in 1 week.
- for new contacts for Dan to meet with.
- that we're able to increase our monthly support this summer to help cover an increase in our French social security payments.

Dan, May, Silas & Efrem