

## News from Allen and Deedee 25 March 2022 Joyeux Printemps - Happy Spring!

We pray that the Lord is blessing you during this new season, and that you are experiencing His grace and presence with you through each challenge and change.

As international travel restrictions have lessened, we have been making arrangements and preparing for teams to come join our Marseille outreach this summer. We also have teams planning to travel to help in Spain, especially from the Latin American branch of our organization. Please pray for the ports in southern Spain to reopen for normal travel to and from North Africa. We are planning and expecting regular passenger ferry service to resume by summer. Please pray that the Lord guides us in preparing wise ministry plans to be ready for any scenario.

This year our team has been focusing on outreach in the Costa del Sol and Campo de Gibraltar regions of southern Spain. A key part of this strategy is partnering with and equipping local Spanish churches to pray for, and share Jesus with, North Africans in their community. We also have visiting teams helping; thank you for **joining us in praying** for the two most recent groups' work with us! Because these teams spoke several different languages, they were able to have many spiritual conversations with people, while giving out bilingual Bibles and other Christian materials. Here are some of their stories: \*A North African man was willing to consider the gospel after having an in-depth dialogue with a Latin American Christian, and he gladly accepted a copy of Josh McDowell's book "More than a Carpenter." \* Three ladies waiting for their ferry eagerly accepted two packets. When shown the gospel presentation in the back of the Bible, they said that it would be great to read on the boat ride. \* We are looking forward to traveling down to Spain ourselves to help in person later this Spring.

Meanwhile, throughout the past year, our organization has been undergoing a global restructuring which has already had a significant impact on all of us serving in Finance, and which is now affecting the rest of our team. Our various field strategies will be called to work more closely with several other like-minded ministries within our organization, to form a new ministry "network." This new

network's goal will be to work together, in Europe, to more effectively bring the gospel to people from North African, Middle Eastern, and Central Asian backgrounds. We don't yet know all the details, but we are looking forward to finding out. Please pray for God to guide the upcoming meeting (April 5-6) explaining and working out all the details of this new network.

Thank you for your encouragement, support, and prayers, which help make our work here possible! Please keep praying for each of us to grow ever closer to the Lord, and to grow in our French fluency. And please continue to pray for peace and for a complete end to the pandemic. Serving with you, allen and Deedee