



One Another



Ministries International

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Dear friends and family,

I never cease to give thanks for you and your investment in the lives of Christian workers around the globe. In February our board met to review 2009. You will join us in praise that:

- **In 2009 One Another provided services for 489 Christian workers originating from 18 countries (7 first time), serving in 32 countries (6 first time), through 43 sending agencies (17 first time).**
- **Your gifts allowed me to provide over 114 guest nights of hospitality for those who came thru my doors for counseling, consulting or debriefing.**
- **Between 1999 and 2009, we provided services to 2911 Christian workers of 55 nationalities serving in 94 countries through 147 sending agencies.**

With only a few days before my return to France, I want to wish each of you a blessed Easter, since winter has now passed and Spring is here. My time in the States has given me a new awareness of what winters here on the east coast can be, and though several travel plans were blocked, I know God allowed me to be here for this time. I have enjoyed wonderful times with personal visits, supporting churches, conferences, schools, and several opportunities to share the ministry, and family. Would you pray God will produce fruit from our efforts? We want to raise the awareness of the need to care for Christian workers. In that prayer we are asking Him to supply new supporters, or increased levels of support, and then funds for special projects* as we care for them.

So, what is happening in the world of missions? In the past few weeks, we have learned there has been a real assault on the workers in several "restricted access" countries. Emails arrive daily with detailed prayer requests as spiritual battles escalate, especially in North Africa. Like never before, the body of Christ needs to intercede for our brothers and sisters. And we need *additional staff and funds* to meet their needs in a timely manner.

And yet God ...is at work extending His grace and mercy. Consider how your gifts help us with the following opportunities:

- A local French church in Montpellier has launched a new outreach effort downtown. They have moved "outside the walls of the church" into the marketplace in obedience to the Great Commission. It is thrilling to see national believers rise to obedience.
- Missionaries working with a church plant in one of the "sandbox" countries. Under persecution? Yes; yet they are remaining faithful.

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- A request came to us from southeast Asia asking for help to train over 100 missionaries they've sent out in the past 14 years. Wouldn't it be wonderful to fully equip these workers so they can serve more effectively in over 30 countries?
- The opportunity to launch a new One Another satellite center in Brazil
- * Sponsoring the *Guernsey Consultation* to be held *May 21-25, 2010*. Some of you helped us lead this effort last October on Guernsey (Channel Islands). What a great encouragement it was to single missionary leaders. Our goal is to produce a training tool to be used by my mission organization and missionary teams all over the world.

Proactive and responsive: Folks sometimes ask about the range of our work on the field. We are unique in that we do offer both proactive and responsive services. I enjoy the opportunities I have to be involved in proactive ministry....helping to prevent problems before they happen. For this reason, I have a real burden to help facilitate the Guernsey Consultation. This has been a collaborative effort and last October, we were blessed with Dr. Barry Danylak's teaching on a Biblical Theology of Singleness. This has huge implications for churches and for the missions community. As a result, Barry has offered his time and teaching, and Dianne Becker (videographer) has offered her time and skill to help produce a quality video to meet the training needs of mission teams and organizations. With us bringing in both single and married mission leaders, *One Another will be proactive* and supply this tool to help them serve better in some very difficult parts of the world.

Would you please pray with us for this time? Here is a link where you can see a short clip describing a bit of the project: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z2xqLolhcRU>

Challenge: I have the challenge to raise scholarships for those single mission leaders who want to come from several countries. A scholarship will cover their conference fees, lodging and meals. For a little more than \$300 each, we can make it possible to have several leaders attend. My goal is to raise at least 10 scholarships and some extra for production costs. Could you help me meet this goal? If so, please send a special gift to the address below. You would be making one of those *exponential investments* in several countries.

Prayer needs and requests:

- Our need for wisdom to know who and how to respond to requests we receive.
- For additional staff with both cross-cultural and counseling experience.
- *PERSONAL:* Pray for an interview I have with the Prefecture scheduled April 6. This is a follow-up to my request for a 10 year residency card. I am seeking God's will.
- Safe return to France – easier goodbyes with family, safe, restful flight, good health, good reunion with teammates and local church, and quick recovery from jet-lag.

Thank you so much for allowing us to be effective and have input into so many lives and for your faithfulness to Him and the work in Europe and beyond.

Blessings,



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