Proud to Serve in Worship

Opening Prayer Song Leader Communion Assist Dismiss Services March 18, 2021 Charles Hall Joe Burnsed Joe Burnsed Kenneth Jenks Barry Blackburn

April 25, 2021
Joe Holloway
Joe Burnsed
Barry Blackburn
Wade White
Charles Hall

Announcements

Calendar for April – on the table in the foyer

Super Sunday – next week

Save Food Pantry Items, Cans, peanut butter

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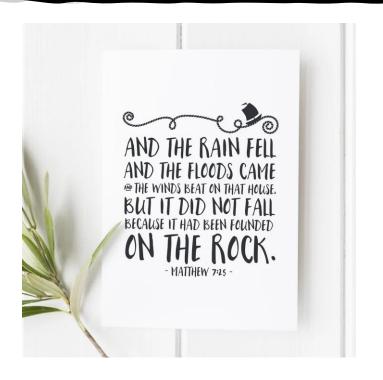
CallList—There are forms on the backtable if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

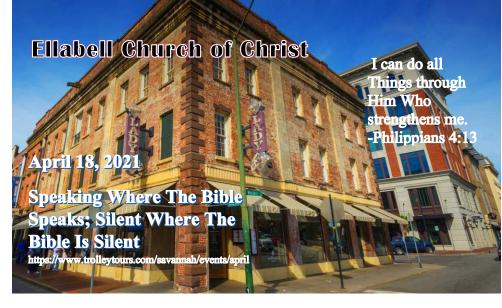
PrayerList-Thereisaformonthebacktabletoaddnamestothe prayer list.

Worship Services Online—Go to our website and there is a link at the bottom. Join us from anywhere in the world online. Subscribe to our You Tube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OdoHWTNUba av5NqR Vfg

Worship Zoom Meetings – add your email and you will get an email when we have services

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Dear Family in Christ and friends greetings from confined France,

Since the first of the month, we are having our third confinement and it will be for 1 month. This time all the school are closed, and many non-essentials stores are also closed, except for drugstores and grocery stores. Our traveling is limited to 6.2 miles and we cannot travel into another department of France. If you do and get caught by the police, they will find you \$200. Curfew is from 7PM TILL 6 AM the next morning. Regarding to church services thank God because the prime minister of France Jean Castex is a devout Catholic, therefore churches are allowed to remain opened and if you live within 30 kilometers from the

meeting place of the church you are allowed to travel but you must have a travel certificate. So far, we have our French worship Sunday morning and we usually have anywhere between 28 to 42 present each Sunday and usually we have anywhere between 35 to 45 on Zoom. In regard the Ghanaian group, they meet from 2PM till 3Pm but for the English worship we have it by ZOOM and usually we have anywhere between 4 to 9 family present each Sunday evening, Bible class starts at 4:30Pm till 5:15 Pm than worship from 5:30 Pm till 6:45PM and Wednesday class from 6PM till 7;30Pm We usually have 30 families present. We are praying that all this will be soon a thing of the past. Most people are getting frustrated and are not careful about respecting the law and therefore lot more people are getting the COVID and therefore hospitals are saturated and are lacking Covid beds.

Because of this terrible situation lots of people are losing their jobs or only working part-time and the ones that still have jobs, most of them work from their homes.

Sister Colette Chao's mother passed away. I had studied with her and after she expressed the desire to be baptized for the remission of her sins, but was not able to do it because her son refused and told her " That you were baptized in the Melkite Church so therefore it's sufficient no question that you be baptized by immersion." You must understand that in Arabic families whenever the head of the family dies automatically the oldest son become the head of the household and therefore the authority over all the family. The day of her funeral we were ten of the congregation to be present and they only asked me to read a passage of the N.T. that day. It was pouring rain all day long.

Some good news, now, Rose and I we were invited by our daughter Rosemary and her husband Manu to go their country house to stay for a few days, brother Alexandre Cumming who had just lost his mother was also invited.

Since this was in between confinements, it was good for all of us to be away from Paris. While walking in the village to show around Alexandre a couple with their baby walked by and we struck conversation and we were talking about that old church building in the village and I begin talking about religion in France and the couple told us "That they were a not Catholics but born again Christians". I jumped on the opportunity to ask them more questions and begin to quote to them scriptures and they begin to ask me several questions about them. Since it was getting close to curfew time our daughter Rosemary invited them to come the next day for tea and cookies the next day. And of course, asked them for their phone number and their email address which they give me without hesitation.

Turned out to be that his wife Jayne -Marie she was born in New Zealand and moved with her family to France when she was younger and presently working as a stewardess for Air France and her husband Clement was born in Chili, South America and came to France with his family at a young age. He works for a big food warehouse for one of the major food company. The next day when they came, we had a nice visit and told them that I would be glad to come and study with them once every two weeks. They seem to appreciate and "That would be fine". Once I went back home, I send them Bible materials so they can read and start to study for themselves. Praying that we will soon begin a Bible study with them.

A few days after Frederic Bahloul from the church in Strasbourg called and told me "That his friend from childhood that was interested in the gospel". He was raised Catholic but now he was open to Bible studies. Isaiah 55: 11 "says my word that goes out of from my mouth; it will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it" His name is Pablo Galarce born in Chili, South America and came with his family when he was young. He was

married with children, but his wife died with cancer 4 years ago and it has been hard for him especially now that he has been laid off for the last 2 years. He lives 50 miles North of Paris. I called him and asked him "If it was ok if I would pay him a visit? Once I arrived to his place, he told me "That he had visited the church 15 years ago and I had welcome him". I prayed with him and shared God's word with him and I brought him several brochures and after a while I sent him a copy of the Jules Miller video Bible study in French. I put him in contact with Brother Stevin from Caen and presently he participates twice a week in a Bible study in Spanish by zoom and every day he studies with Frederic and he stays in contact with me. Since he did not have a good French Bible, I got one for him. I am trusting God that he will soon obey the gospel.

Roxana Brolo from Guatemala, a contact from the website sends me a message and of course I answered her right away. She appreciated that very much, her background is French, Italian, and Spanish, so she speaks three languages. Her religious background was Catholic at first but now she is mostly Evangelical, since she has been disappointed by the denominations presently, she worships in her own home with her family. Previously she worked in broadcasting Christian radio, where she operated a program for 11 years, but with the covid she is no longer working in that field. I sent her French material so she studies them for herself and will communicate by What-sup and zoom, so soon we will start Bible study together.

Another precious soul was added to the kingdom, Yannick who lives in Togo, Africa (the nephew of Sister Aissatou) received the Bible material I sent to him two months ago. I put him in contact with sister Enyo and her brother the Evangelist in Kaplime Togo. They met and studied the Bible and afterwards he decided to put on Christ in baptism. Glory to God.

Here is the picture of Yannick baptism:



Rose and I we had our first Pfizer vaccination for Covid, the first day we did not have any pain but for the next few days afterward we were feeling tired every day. I believe in the next few days we will feel better. The second vaccination is scheduled for 27th of April. We grateful unto you all that are faithfully continuing to pray and support us and making possible for us to continue to spread the gospel in the French world. May God keep you safe from all danger and until next time God's richest blessing upon you all.

In Him Roland