

E & A Newsletter 181005

Dear prayer partners, families and friends,

Warm greetings in Christ from Martinique!

Time just flew - Summer has gone by and here comes Autumn! However the tropical weather in Martinique remains almost the same, with 35c during day time while it's around 28c at night.

Our journey walking with God:

The Vision of Barbados:

By God's grace, on Sept 6-8 we again had the opportunity to pay a second visit to Barbados (40 minutes flight from Martinique) with our church deacon, Francois and brother Cheung Bin. The four of us together explored the opportunities in reaching the unreached Chinese community in the island.

Although we found this place to be hard soil for evangelism, as there aren't any Christian families to be found. Meanwhile, "Jehovah Witness" is very active there. We visited almost all the Chinese restaurant owners and learnt that they all have been contacted by Jehovah Witness, and some of them have been led to their "Kingdom Hall" (see picture) for worship service every week.

Despite the difficulties we can see so far, we praise the Lord for both of us and the Deacons Board of Martinique Alliance Church for having the vision and passion with this Caribbean Island. We keep asking for the Lord's mercy upon this land, as well as His guidance to the Martinique Church's long term goal in reaching the unreached Chinese community, and to expand the Kingdom work in this part of the world for the Lord's glory.

During our "cold call visits" to many of the Chinese restaurants and supermarkets, we thank God for opening doors that we were able to connect with the Chairman of the overseas Chinese community. (華僑會館主席) This allowed us to obtain more information about the Chinese community in Barbados.

Leading by the Holy Spirit, we have connected with a 23 year old young man, Wang Sai (王帥) who has an open minded to learn more about the difference between Christianity and "Jehovah Witness". We have since been keeping in touch with this young man and have sent him related materials after our departure. Please pray for his eternal life and that he will find Jesus Christ is the way and the truth and the life.

We are grateful to the Lord for we all have experienced His presence and grace in opening doors - from having zero connections in Barbados to making new connections with the Chinese community there. We pray that the Lord continues to guide our steps and reveals His will to the Church clearly. We also pray that the Lord would move one of the Christian families from Martinique to extend their business to Barbados - to create a bridge to spread the gospel to the unreached.

Please join us to pray that the Lord would raise up His workers for these unreached people and that the Lord's mercy upon this land. Most importantly for the Lord's Will will be done in the future for His glory! (Romans 8:28)



ECMCM 5th Anniversary:

Praise the Lord! on Sept 23rd we celebrated Martinique Chinese Alliance Church's 5th Anniversary. The congregation rejoiced in the Lord and counted His blessings together for His grace never fails! We all have enjoyed the wonderful fellowship at the church.





Restaurant Ministry STMT:

From October 28th to November 4th, we will have a “Restaurant Ministry” STMT (餐福短宣隊) from NTCAC which will mainly focus in helping b/s to be equipped to share the gospel with the restaurant business people; since 80% of the Chinese in Martinique are running restaurant businesses. Trust this STMT would be a blessing to many b/s here.

Guadeloupe Ministry:

In early December, we will have Rev. Aaron Tang of CCACA and Mrs. Kay Tang coming to visit us. Right after their leave, we will be heading to the neighbouring island, Guadeloupe for 2 months till end of January, as we were invited to serve the Chinese church there and to provide the leadership & discipleship training to the congregation.

Please kindly pray for our busy schedules in the coming months before our 2 year ministry commitment in Martinique to conclude in February 2019.

Again, many thanks for your on-going partnership walking alongside our missions journey together for the Lord’s glory!

Our Praise items:

- the 5th Anniversary of Martinique Alliance Church
- the fruitful Barbados Mission exploration trip
- the opportunities and good health to serve
- our daughter & son-in-law with their 2 kids came to visit us in Martinique in the summer
- such a significant family reunion blessed time during our last overseas ministry

Prayer items for:

- the young friend Wang Sai 王帥 would continue seeking the true God and his eternal life
- the Lord’s Will and guidance with Barbados Missions
- Rev Pan’s visa to Martinique who leads the STM in Oct

- the 4 caring cell groups starting this month, may all b/s would grow deeper lives in Christ through these supporting small groups
- good health spiritually & physically to serve
- wisdom, insight & strength to serve
- the Lord's protections and blessings upon all our family members in Toronto
- to "Finish Well"!

God bless you all!

With love & prayer,
Edmond & Anne