

Dear Friends in the Lord,

First of all we would like to wish you une "Bonne Année" 2021 (A Happy New Year)  
May this year be a year of blessing for you and yours throughout this year and may you experience the renewal that is spoken about in Isaiah 40:31.

Like for most of you, we suppose, Christmas and New Year celebrations were rather special this time round. There was a bit of leniency regarding the curfew over Christmas but no leniency at all for the New Year. Everyone had to be indoors by 20h and through to 6h.

The prime minister will be giving a press conference this evening and will probably announce that many areas, including our own, are going to be under curfew from 18h. Some areas, especially up in the North East of France, are already under an 18h curfew.

We are fortunate to be able to have meetings in the church but fairly strict restrictions have to be in place. Like yourselves we pray for and long for an end to all this.

If possible, covid permitting, we will be holding a meeting on Saturday 16th for those responsible for activities in the church: children, young people, music, communication, mission, outreaches of various kinds etc. We pray for a time of encouragement as we listen to different reports and trust that people will come forward to fill the gaps that exist.

On Sunday 24th we will have two baptisms. One is a young girl who has grown up among us, of African descent, and is a very keen Christian and active in the youth group. The other, a young man of 26, who was converted a few months ago through friendship evangelism by another brother in the church and he is just so refreshingly keen to go on with the Lord. He's a lovely chap and so appreciative of anything that is done for him in the church and he just drinks in any preaching, teaching and devours his bible. We pray that the Lord will keep him and enable him to go on as he could go very far.

We join again in thanking you for your interest, prayers and practical fellowship and in sending our warm greetings from a very cold South of France at the moment,

**Graham et Alison.**

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