



Parlez-vous Français...yet?

With the Conrod Family
August 2004



Asher & Laurel in Phonetics Lab

Ministry Need

We are thankful that the Lord enabled us to be here for the summer. Thank you all for your continued prayer and financial support. We are blessed. Please pray that the last small percent of our monthly support requirement will come in soon as well as the remaining amount to cover our one-time outgoing costs.



Nathan & Kids

Quebec

We are here in Quebec to learn French. So far, we have progressed considerably but still have a long way to go! We started school at an elementary level and have progressed over the summer to an intermediate level. Basically, that means that we CAN communicate in French—but we can also get lost very easily in a “real live conversation.” Next up is the fall semester, which begins Aug. 30th. The Lord has blessed us with wonderful language helpers (some believers and some not) as well as a tutor who is a Muslim from Algeria. Pray that we can be a witness of

Christ to all. Laurel’s tutor often brings up issues or asks challenging questions that are open doors for sharing the love and grace of Christ and Laurel can’t wait until she can share her heart with ease, instead of being limited by her lack of vocabulary. We are currently attending a French church here. I’m actually starting to understand the major flow of the sermons, though the specific points are sometimes hazy... After much prayer, thought and counsel, it looks like we will be here through the spring to make sure our French is at a proper level before we leave for Cameroon.

Family News

Our kids are progressing too! This Sunday, Laurel told Nandry to say “thank you” to a woman at church who gave her candy, Nandry said, “Merci!” Nandry turned 4 years old in July and has seemed older to us ever since, as if she’s moved up and ready for the next stage: SCHOOL! We are hoping to put her in a French speaking pre-K this fall to give her a better opportunity to learn the

language. Boaz will turn 2 on the 21st of August. We are impressed with his ability to repeat and recall both English and French phrases. Asher is 5 months old and is living up to the meaning of his name (“happy laughter”). He’s been easily amused, very content, and adaptable as we bring him along everywhere we go. This fall we are seeking out childcare options for him and Boaz.



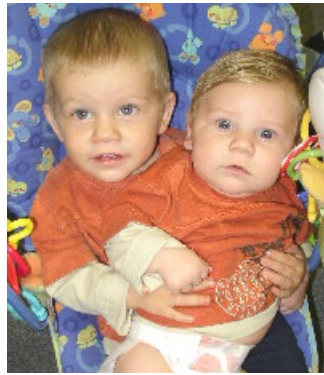
Français...

Besides French...

What are we learning?

Each week we've been able to meet with our teammates Barry & Desma Abbott (8 month old Brianna too!) who are also here in Quebec. We are all hoping to finish our schooling and leave for Cameroon at the same time. With them, we've had encouraging prayer, worship and discussion as well as planning times for our future with the Baka. We've been studying a lot about faith and it's role in our daily lives as we learn to live out of God's strength instead of using our own—and failing. We've also been talking about how we look to many things for fulfillment but fail to be fulfilled because we are not looking to God and receiving from Him the joy and satisfaction He offers.

Boaz & Asher



Laurel & Nandry

Prayer Requests

Prayer:

- We need to find good childcare for the fall.
- Open ears to learn French.
- The Baka. There is a teenage Baka boy who was recently badly burned in a fire. He is having difficulty with infection and does not have family to take care of him. News like this grips our hearts and places a sense of urgency upon us. Please pray to the Lord to give the Baka health, as well as prepare their hearts for the message of His gospel.
- For the rest of our finances to come in—monthly pledges as well as one-time gifts.
- That a few more people will *pledge* to pray daily or weekly for us—we need it!

Asher



Nandry & Boaz



Information

Our prayer letters and response cards are available online. Please visit our website and email us! You can also let us know if you would like to receive our brief email updates.

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**Pray Mark 12:30
 for us!**

By His grace,
 The Conrods

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