

Those Who Serve

January 25
Opening Prayer Kwesi Garvin
Communion Olan Bacon
Assist Joe Burnsed
Assist Evan Hall
Dismiss Services Joe Holloway
February 1
Charles Hall
Joe Burnsed
Kwesi Garvin
Joe Holloway
Colin Morrison

<http://ellabellcofhome.webs.com/>



Ellabell Church of Christ



Speaking Where The Bible Speaks; Silent Where
The Bible Is Silent

January 25, 2009

Mohsen's Message
 4 rue Deodat de Severac
 75017 Paris, France
 December 2008
 Tel: 01-42-67-14-25
 (From the USA dial: 0-11-33-1-42-67-14-25)
 E-Mail: rolandrose@wanadoo.fr
 Rose : yourroseinparis2003@yahoo.com
<http://www.egliseduchrist-deodat.com/>



Hello everyone,

It is our prayer that you had a wonderful holiday season. The magic of the holidays is to bring family together. This month was busy for us, with lots of visitors from France and abroad. First we had the visit of Loïc Bonfré from Lyon, France and he is a brother that we have known for several years. When he comes he is always willing to help me with whatever there is to be done, which I really appreciate.

Then we had the visit of Brother John Black and his wife Sachiko but the last time he visited us was 17 years ago, and at that time he was working for Exxon Oil Company and was based in Moscow. So we've known John for several years too. Presently he is working in Yemen (my father's country) for the government oil company. Originally they only planned to stay with us for 1 week but ended up staying for two weeks, and we sure appreciated their visit and time together. Frederic Bahloul from the Church of Christ in Strasbourg visited us, as he had to come to Paris to apply for a student visa to go to the U.S.A. to attend the Sunset International Bible institute and while in Paris he stayed with us a few days. The good news is the fact that his visa was granted and he will attend Sunset next month and upon graduation he is planning on coming back to France to work with the Church in Strasbourg.

While with us, he brought a friend of his, Alexandre from Rouen, a town 2 hours North of Paris. He was a former member of the international Church of Christ but left

Ellabell Church of Christ
PO Box 72
Ellabell, GA 31308

the group 7 years ago. Since the Church had the New Year's party we invited him to come to it, at first he said "no", but changed his mind.

The New Year's party was organized by our youth group and young adults and it was really good, with singing, sketches, prayers, scripture reading and games for the little ones. Altogether we were 115 present. Franck and Liva came to the party and have enjoyed the evening.

This month I was invited with Rose to study the Bible at Sister Ann's house with a Jehovah witness couple! Normally going from our place to her place, it takes 30 minutes but because public transport strikes and people leaving for the holiday it took us 3 ½ hours to get there. Even if we were late we did have our study with them, but they realized that we knew about their teaching, so I don't think we will have another study with them.

Through Charles White from the Church in Lyon, we have a contact of a Vietnamese man that has a group meeting in Paris and was supposed to be close to the Church's teaching. I contacted the man and actually he belongs to a Vietnamese Evangelical group, and he graduated from a theological school in Cambodia and the U.S.A, and is presently working with his father in law who is pastor of that group in Paris. The man is actually looking for a financial partnership.

I am continuing my Bible studies with Franck and Liva and also with Denise Durizot. As a New Year lay ahead of us, with uncertainty, with must never never forget that our Lord is with us each and every day. We are aware that with the economic situation some of you had to cut of some of our support or will have to cut us off completely. We want you to know that we do understand your situation and are grateful for all the help, spiritual and financial that you have given us to continue to spread the gospel in the French world.

Thank you for your partnership in the Lord's kingdom in reaching the lost souls in the French World.
Roland.

Announcements

Save –Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles

Social-today after morning worship

Bulletin Board-Make sure you read the bulletin board as there are many things of interest now. The bulletin is getting too long
Meetings-tonight after evening worship



Sachiko, Rose, Amanda,
Roland & John

Charlie & Bre Henson

Rose Mary
Holidays at
& Manu's apt.



Roland with Rhonda & Sean

Rose's Report for December

Well Ladies this has been quite a full month. We had several visitors and sadly Amanda Brewer finished her cooking school and work and left to go back to the U.S.A. to find work after spending some time with her parents,

We had John Agossor from Togo here too and Sean & Rhonda Liva too. We enjoyed John and Sachiko so much too.

I think I better stop trying to add photos. Pray for all the studies. I've a new student Nadia and that is going well. Sylvie, Natalie and Kadyja is still coming for studies too. Madeleine is also still coming. We had 115 here for the New Year's Party. We are proud of the young people here and how they organized the evening. We spent New Year's Day with Roy and Martine and family. Rose Mary and Manu and family were there also with some of their other family and an American guest. I probably will share some of those photos in Jan. letter.

Thank you for all your help and prayers, love and encouragement. Please pray for Jason and Natalie Freed family. We are so hoping that they will soon be here with us.

We think often of so many of you and miss you. Thanks again and hope you enjoy our reports.
Rose

Email from Nigeria (Rec'd January 20, 2009)

Dear brother Holloway,

Greetings to you and to the entire family of Ellabell. We are doing well. I am glad to mention that we have started work on our site. There is no city water in that area, therefore, we have to start by digging well. I was there last Saturday and this morning. The man doing the digging said that we will get water at 35 feet deep. You know everything is done manually here, therefore, it will take some few days to reach the water level. I will send you picture of the well as we approach water level. How about mom and dad? My love to them and the brethren. We thank you all for you prayers. Say my love to everybody.

Grace and Peace,

Tom