June 2024, Michael & Rani Grivas-Allison





Michael and Rani Grivas-Allison with Alexi Serving the Lord in Belgium



Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers for us over these past few weeks. In God's kindness, this month we've been able to attack language learning in **good health**. We've given our most recent round of (15 minute!) **class presentations**. And we've had a small but lovely trickle of **encouraging moments at church** where we've been able to sing, listen and talk to people without feeling like our French is 'getting in the way'.

In truth, at this point in the year, we are a little exhausted! But we're also full of thanks to God for these good things and answers to your prayers:)

This next month ahead we'll be studying and sitting **exams** (for 'halfway-through-intermediate' French), meeting people at different 'wrapping-up' **GBU events**, and pushing through with everyone else in Europe towards the end of the year. **It's** looking like a bit of a sprint, so we'd love your prayers for his enabling as we seek to do this season well.

Michael & Rani



Above: this month Belgium voted in regional, federal and EU-wide elections. The politics here are complicated (to say the least), with the last government taking over 500 days to form after the elections! Please pray for a strong coalition of incoming leaders who might stand against evil and promote what is good (1 Peter 2:14).



Above: next month, Alexi will finish up at crèche before starting maternelle (pre-school) in September. We will also be planning how to spend the lon-n-n-ng Summer break (which will no doubt feature lots of greenspace and park-time!).

Please thank God...

- For growing our capacity to speak at-length in French.
- For **continued good health** and the difference it is making to language learning in particular.
- For his **gracious encouragement of us at church,** as we keep persevering in a French-speaking environment.

Please ask God...

- To help us 'level up' and consolidate recent learning as we prepare for exams (27 June,1 & 2 July).
- To encourage both students and supporters at the end-of-year GBU picnic (21 June).
- For his strength and the fruit of his Spirit as we do this end-of-year season and look ahead to the long Summer.

From Michael and Rani

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word."

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17



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