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Dear brethren,

It is an odd feeling to live in two worlds. In our minds and by a daily arrival of e-mail messages, we are still much involved in the activities in Geneva and throughout the French world. At the same time, we are continuing our travels in the USA. The "work" has been intense, but lightened by some times to visit with family and friends. After traveling through Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee in September, we began the month of October in Searcy during the Harding University Lectureship. Besides contact with our sponsoring church, the College church in Searcy, I had three classes during the Lectureship. The day after the lectureship, I had a morning session with the committee who plans the Pan European Lectureship. The city for August 2008 will be either Barcelona or Lisbon. After more checking on prices, the place will be announced along with the program.

I do not want this report to be a travelogue. However, the significant events of the month and the things observed in the American church were the results of our moving from place to place. From Searcy we traveled to Hope, Arkansas, and had a meeting with Enrique and Naomi Martorell, Spanish workers who will be back in Spain next year. In Fort Worth we visited with Wanda Terry. I made many trips to Africa with her husband, Hilton Terry. We spent three days with Barbara's brother, Dan, outside of Mineral Wells, Texas. One day was spent in Wichita Falls, Texas, with my brother, Windle, and his family. He and Barbara Oteka will soon be moving there after resigning from full-time work in East Texas at the age of 77. They spent over 25 years in the Cameroon and still make frequent trips there and to other mission points. A weekend was spent with my sister, Barbara, in Dallas and with the Jefferson Blvd and the Prestoncrest churches. Both of these churches have supported French works for many years.

Meanwhile back in Geneva, the church has been busy. The young people have participated this past weekend in the annual French Teenage Retreat at the Centre Bonnefoi in France. We have a joint worship service coming up in November with the International Church of Christ which has been in Geneva for several years and who now wishes for more contact with us. We will see how positive this initial effort will be. The annual French workers and leaders' retreat will be at the end of November. So, on our return we will jump quickly into local activities.

During our travels, Bonnie Tirey has been in our home during October and has kept up with the Bible correspondence course work. We appreciate her willingness to make this trip to Geneva and to serve in this way. Even while we have been traveling, Barbara has been able to stay up with an increasing number of students who are doing the courses by Internet. She has recruited two helpers here in Searcy, Silva McCready and Bill Spears, to help with new French students. A one-page promotion ad of our French Internet site is going to be made in the Truth for Today French publication which is sent to 2000 readers. The numbers of students by Internet will sharply increase with that mailing.

In my next report I will give some observations about the American church as Barbara and I see it. We will also explain what some of our plans and projects are for 2008. We welcome you along for the ride. What God has planned should be exciting!

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