



Fillion Family Prayer Letter

December 2020

Be not overcome for evil, but overcome evil with good. Rom. 12:12

What a year! This year certainly has been different on many levels, but I'm amazed at how God brought us closer as a family, closer as a church, and more importantly, closer to HIM.

We've seen the church house at full capacity, and I also stood there alone in front of a camera. We've seen people excited about the things of God, and we've seen people leave the things of God. We've seen people get baptized, and we've seen people leave. We've seen people filled with joy, and we've seen people with deep sorrows. We've been on mountain tops, and we've been in valleys.

Through it all, OUR GOD NEVER FAILED TO BE FAITHFUL. We are challenged by God to OVERCOME evil with GOOD, and as a church, we are determined to let the goodness of our great King win the battle for us. 2021 will have its challenges, 'but nothing ever can, nothing ever will overcome the LORD OUR GOD... HE ALWAYS WINS.'

A couple of weeks before Christmas, I had the joy of baptizing three people, including my oldest daughter Hannah. We bought a portable, inflatable spa in order to do that, and are very pleased with the result. Pray for Elisabeth growth, Naomi's growth, and Hannah's growth as they all took a big step of faith to follow the LORD.

We are supporting 2 missionaries as a church, The Andrew Nissley family in New-Brunswick, and the Jonathan Fisher family in Alaska. This year we wanted them to have an extra special Christmas, so the church got together and we bought gifts for everybody in each family. The kids got gifts and the parents got gifts. I know God will bless the church by encouraging our missionaries to keep going for HIM. It brought such a joy to everyone and it brought us closer to our missionaries. Also, for the first time this year, we got involved with a local nonprofit organization that helps needy families during Christmas. People from the church jumped on the occasion to serve our community and show the love of Christ.

Christmas time was special this year at church with the restrictions on church attendance. Our provincial Government only allowed 25 people to be inside the church building per service. Each year we have been doing a Candlelight Service for our people to invite friends and family to come and enjoy music, food, and also hear the Gospel message. This year we had 4 straight nights of Candlelight services. Each night was fully attended with church people and also many first time visitors. We rejoice in the fact that even with mandates in place, God brought people to hear the Gospel.

During our last night of Candlelight service, we had the visit of 4 police officers, and they were not there to worship. I met them at the door and they told me that someone called them to say that there were many cars in the parking lot and they were afraid that we were in violation of the mandate. I told them how many people were in the building, but they did not believe me. He wanted to come in and count. Knowing that we were following the guidelines of the mandate, I allowed them to come and count. They left without issuing us any tickets. I can honestly say that I would have never thought I'd see a day where officers would come and check how we are having church. Please pray for God's protection and favour over us.

We are now back in full lockdown here in Québec, as our government just released a new list of restrictions, which include a curfew from 8PM till 5AM, and no in person religious services are allowed. We are going back to online services only, which is not ideal, but we're trying to seek opportunities to reach more people than ever with the gospel, and follow up on the visitors we had during Christmas. As always thank you for your generous support during this year, we are truly blessed to partner with you.

Things to pray about.

- Godly Wisdom and understanding.
- Hannah, Elisabeth, Naomi's growth
- Protection
- New opportunities to minister during lockdown

