

Why France?

Our answers to one of the most common questions we are asked when we talk about our calling.

Chris & Donnette Brock



With a Population of 65 Million People...

...Less than 1 out of 100 people in France is an evangelical Christian.

...For every 30,000 people, there is one evangelical church.

...In the EPREF* denomination that we are partnering with, there are only 68 Churches.

*Églises Protestantes
Réformées Évangéliques
de France

Religion in France

In a country with some of the most beautiful and historical churches in the world, less than 8% of the population regularly attends any church. Less than 1% is Evangelical Christians. Even the Catholic Church considers France a mission field. Atheism is prevalent and belief in the Occult is on the rise. France has a historical animosity towards organized religion, and most French people have a profound ignorance of the gospel.

For French Christians trying to share the gospel, this means long and difficult work. The good news is that the number of Christian Evangelicals is growing, but slowly. They need all the help they can get. The worldly beliefs aren't providing the citizens of France with absolution, and young and old alike are looking for answers. Since 1970 there have been about 1200 Evangelical Churches planted in France. The goal is to continue at a minimum rate of 35 or more per year, reaching over 4,000 Evangelical Churches by 2025.

We need your help, your
patience, to send the gospel
to France. Again and Again.
-Pascal Gonzalez,
French Pastor

We covet your prayers. We find comfort and peace in Christ and the knowledge that He hears those prayers. We also think of the individuals in France that have no one praying for them. That is why we go.



But Why France for the Brocks?

The answer is that God has put France on our hearts. Donnette spent some time there studying in college, and Chris is an amazing cook, with an affinity for French cuisine. These gifts and appreciations did not come of our own volition. We believe that God put these things on our hearts and minds, making France a country whose culture we could relate to.

Chris has recently been ordained in the PCA as a teaching elder, and

Donnette has administrative experience. We have two children, Avonlea, (May 2010) and Oliver (November 2012). We believe God will use our Family to assist the team that is in France now.

We felt our first call to missions after returning from a short-term trip to Honduras. It was an amazing experience, and we knew the Lord was calling us to missions, but to where? The more we prayed, the more Europe, and more

specifically, France, kept coming up. The lack of understanding of the gospel, the centuries of darkness and the history of Christian persecution weighed on our hearts. We are anxious to join the church planting team in France and share the gospel with a country where most lack a basic understanding of the gospel of Christ.

With your prayers and support we go to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, and pray that He will bring new hope and life to the people of France.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:37-38 ESV)

Please Pray For Us

We need your prayers. We need your support. France needs your prayers and support. Europe needs your prayers and support. When you think of missions, we ask that you think of Europe, and especially of France.

Along with your prayers, we do need financial support. It is a privilege to have supporters, and in many ways, you go with us to the field, and as we share the gospel, we are sharing

your faith and testimony as well as our own. We wouldn't be able to do this without you.

Please consider making one or more of the following commitments to our ministry:

- ☐ Prayer
- ☐ \$20/month
- ☐ \$50/month
- ☐ \$100/month

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