

## **Burdens related to Europe (week of 16 February 2025)**

### **1) Update on the Lord's move in French-speaking Europe**

A brief update on the Lord's move in French-speaking Europe is attached to this prayer list in English and in Chinese. This update was presented at the recent International Chinese-speaking Conference in Anaheim.

An invitation letter to participate in ongoing short-term shepherding trips to care for the seeking ones in French-speaking Europe is available at [lordsmove.org/reports.html](https://lordsmove.org/reports.html). Instructions on how to apply and where to ask questions are included in the letter. Please pray for this need to be met in and through the Body.

Please pray:

- That a number of saints will receive the Lord's burden to serve in French-speaking Europe for one to three months to meet the urgent need for continued shepherding of the new ones the Lord has put into our hand.
- That by summer 2025 there will be a team of 20 full-time serving ones in Paris to take care of the Lord's needs throughout France and French-speaking Europe. Please pray for the release of long stay visas for these saints.
- That many students, families, and mature saints will migrate to France within the next several years for the Lord's interest.
- That the Lord will raise up new lampstands in Rouen, Lille, Versailles, Mertzig (Luxembourg), Geneva (Switzerland), Marseilles, Toulouse, Caen, Nante, and Montpellier.

Saints who are burdened to give for the support of the full-time team in Paris can give through LME by following instructions at [lme.org/offerings.html](https://lme.org/offerings.html). Designate offerings for "Gospel Move in France."

### **2) Purchase of a house in Madrid**

In order to complete the purchase of this house, the following amount is still needed to fulfill the contract:

- 176,000 Euros by March 6, 2025, to close

A letter in English, Spanish, Traditional Chinese, and Simplified Chinese is available at [lme.org/reports.html](https://lme.org/reports.html). Instructions on how to give are included in the letter. Please pray for the advancement of the Lord's move on the Iberian Peninsula through the purchase of this property.

### **3) Meeting Hall in Riga, Latvia**

A letter on a new meeting hall in Riga, Latvia, is attached to this prayer list in English and in Chinese. This letter was presented at the recent International Chinese-speaking Conference in Anaheim. Approximately €500,000 is needed to remodel a newly acquired property in Riga. Please pray that the Lord will meet this need through His Body. Instructions on how to give are included in the letter.

### **4) Chinese-speaking conference at Woodland Camp, London (1-2 March)**

A Chinese-speaking conference will be held at Woodland Camp in London on 1-2 March. Please see **2025 Chinese-speaking Conference** for information.

### **5) Migration to nine European cities**

A report on the nine target cities—Paris, Geneva, Brussels, Belfast, Dublin, Vienna, Prague, Rome, and Athens—can be found at [lme.org/reports.html](https://lme.org/reports.html). Please pray for saints to migrate under the Head and in the Body to strengthen the Lord's testimony in these cities.

### **6) Translation of the New Testament Recovery Version into Czech and Slovak**

An update on the ongoing labor to translate the New Testament Recovery Version into the Czech and Slovak languages can be found at [churchesceb.org/czech-slovak-nt](https://churchesceb.org/czech-slovak-nt). Information is included on how to donate for this project. An opportunity to subscribe to receive update reports also is offered. Please pray for the translation team in their learning of Greek and in their uninterrupted work of translating the NT text and footnotes.

### **7) Update on the UK Building Project**

Video and written reports for December 2024 on the full-time training center in London and on Woodland Camp can be found at [amanatrust.org.uk/page/reports](https://amanatrust.org.uk/page/reports). Please pray that the Lord will provide the necessary funds, construction permissions, and serving ones to carry out the construction.

### **8) The Lord's move in Iceland**

A report on the Lord's move in Iceland is available at [lordsmove.org/reports.html](https://lordsmove.org/reports.html). Instructions on giving through LME are included. Please pray for the Lord to raise up and gain the seeking ones who can become His testimony in Iceland.

**9) The conflict in Ukraine**

Please pray that the Lord will protect the tripartite being of all the saints and will rule in the heavens over every aspect of this conflict so that the result will shame His enemy and advance His economy on earth.

**10) Distribution of Bibles in Europe**

Please pray for the spreading of the translated, interpreted, and understood divine truths in Europe for the Lord's recovery and restoration. To give for the **distribution** of Bibles in Europe, please follow instructions at **lme.org/offerings.html**. Designate offerings for "Distribution of Bibles in Europe." Offerings for the **printing** of Bibles should be given directly to Living Stream Ministry (LSM) and designated "Printing Bibles for Europe." For instructions on giving to LSM, visit **lsm.org/donations**.

## Update on the Lord's Move in Francophone Europe

The Lord is continuing to bless His move in French-speaking Europe. In addition to the **short-term shepherds** who continue to care for **the saints and new ones**, we also welcomed the **FTTA/FTTL trainees** for a two-week period to join us in our labor.

In the **Paris** region we are laboring in five different areas. Our view is to firstly blend with all the saints that have been here for many years. The short-term shepherds and trainees have been a real supply to these saints, and there has been the sweet flow of life. In a few short months, many new ones have been gained and added to the church.

Last November in **Lille**, we had 2 households caring for 17 new ones. Currently, we have 3 households and 24 new ones. Of the new ones, 14 have completed the 3 volumes of the *Basic Elements of the Christian Life* and are reading *The Economy of God* with us in home meetings. The next step is to establish the group meetings.

Every Saturday in **Rouen**, the saints hold 2 group meetings focused on nourishing 8 to 10 new contacts. Four of the new contacts are going to the table meeting in nearby Dieppe. There is a blended effort with saints from the UK, Dieppe, and Paris supporting the need. Three saints have recently migrated.

The church life in **Toulouse** is really blossoming. We have 4 to 7 students in the college meeting, 6 to 10 saints in the prayer meeting, and 25 to 30 gathering for the Lord's Day meeting. We have had a total of 18 new baptisms. Especially encouraging is how the new ones are developing a genuine taste for the ministry: our Life-study participation has grown from 3 to 12 attendees, with the new ones eagerly bringing their friends.

In **Luxembourg**, there are three families laboring. We have an apartment next to the university campus, which has been pivotal for the ongoing care of the students. The most recent Lord's Day meeting had 11 locals that we met from the distribution, and they all shared their enjoyment of the Lord with us.

In **Geneva, Switzerland** there are 14 saints, and 8 new ones are being cared for. The saints truly appreciate the flow in the Body and the supply of the visiting saints.

In Nanterre, Versailles, Toulouse, Rouen, and Luxembourg we have or will soon have apartments secured for the work.

Through the fellowship in the Body, there is **increasing coordination** from other countries, including **UK, Germany, Spain, Poland, Canada, and Brazil**, who are sending saints to meet the present need. We look to the Lord's continued blessing and anticipate that He would raise up **3 new lampstands in Nanterre (Paris), Lille, and Toulouse** by the middle of this year. Many cities in French-speaking Europe are ripe for harvest, and the existing churches also need shepherding and strengthening. Currently, we have 16 full-time serving ones on the team in Paris. Our original goal was to have 20 serving ones, but we now realize that if we had 50, they would all be fully occupied. We need many more saints to **migrate** in order to meet the long-term need. **May the Lord send workers to match His present move.**

## **Riga, Latvia--New Meeting Hall**

Riga is the capital of Latvia, one of the three Baltic countries in Northeastern Europe. Latvia is positioned centrally among these three countries, and Riga plays a vital role in connecting these nations and facilitating the Lord's work across the region. In addition, Latvia is part of the European Union, yet most of the saints there are Russian speaking. Hence, Riga serves as a key bridge between the Russian-speaking work and the broader work in Europe.

The church in Riga was established in 1996 through the ministry publications that reached the Russian-speaking world in the early 1990s. Today approximately 60 saints are meeting in Riga. Since its inception the church has recognized the urgent need to have its own meeting hall. Over the past 15 years the brothers have steadfastly prayed and fellowshipped regarding the acquisition of a suitable property. In 2023 the Lord graciously led us to acquire a building that aligns with the needs of the church, can serve as a blending facility, and can support the campus work.

The acquired property is a free-standing building with a total land area of 1,000 square meters (0.25 acres), with the building itself occupying 280 square meters (3000 square feet). The four-story structure offers approximately 180 square meters (2000 square feet) per floor. Its location is highly strategic, just a 10-minute drive from three major universities in Latvia, with some student dormitories only a five-minute walk away.

The cost of purchasing the building was €315,000, which the church in Riga received in full last year. In addition, saints from around the world, particularly in the Baltic and Nordic countries, contributed an additional €165,000. According to the new design, the remodeled building will include a meeting hall on the first floor that can accommodate 90 saints, expandable to 140. The basement will have three studio apartments and a bookroom. The second floor will include a children's room, the church office, and two additional apartments, while the third floor will serve as a recreation area for students.

Currently, the brothers are working on obtaining all necessary permits and finalizing the professional design. Many of the saints in Riga are experienced construction workers and are committed to reducing costs by doing much of the work themselves. However, the approval process has been lengthy, requiring multiple revisions of the design. Eventually, the city government designated the building as a historical heritage site, mandating that its exterior be preserved by using similar materials. As a result, remodeling costs have significantly increased. The total projected cost for construction work is now €575,000, with an additional €90,000 needed for furnishings, bringing the overall estimate to €665,000. The remaining financial need is €500,000.

With sufficient financial support, we anticipate completing the first floor, including the meeting hall, by the end of 2025, allowing us to begin meeting there. The ground and second floors may be finalized by the end of 2026, depending on the timely approval of plans and the availability of funds. We pray that the Lord will lead the churches and the saints worldwide to intercede for this meeting hall and to give toward its completion. May He bless this endeavor for the furtherance of His work in this region.

Offerings can be made to your local church designated "Riga meeting hall" and forwarded to LME, or they can be made directly to LME by following instructions at:

<https://lordsmove.org/offerings.html>

## 主在歐洲法語區行動的最新進展

主正繼續祝福祂在歐洲法語區的行動。除了**短期牧者**繼續照顧**聖徒和新人**之外，我們還迎接了**FTTA/FTTL 學員**以兩週的時間與我們一同勞苦。

在**巴黎**地區，我們在五個不同的區域勞苦。我們的想法是首先要與所有已在這裏多年的聖徒相調。對這些聖徒來說，短期的牧者和受訓學員帶來了真實的供應與甜美的生命流通。在短短的幾個月內，許多新人已被得着並加給召會。

去年十一月，在**里爾**（Lille），我們有兩個家庭照顧十七個新人。目前我們有三個家，二十四位新人。在這些新人中，有十四人已讀完了三冊《基督徒生活的基本要素》系列，目前正在家聚會中與我們一起讀《神的經營》。下一步是要建立排聚會。

每週六，聖徒們都會在**魯昂**（Rouen）有兩次排聚會，重點是在餵養八至十位新人。四位新人將前往附近的迪耶普（Dieppe）參加擘餅聚會。目前，來自英國、迪耶普和巴黎的聖徒相調一起努力扶持這裏的需要。最近有三位聖徒移民到此。

**圖盧茲**（Toulouse）的召會生活實在興旺。大學生聚會有四至七位學生，禱告聚會有六至十位聖徒，主日聚會有二十五至三十人聚會。我們目前一共有十八位新人受浸。尤其令人鼓舞的是，新人對職事話語建立起了真正的口味：參與《生命讀經》的人數從三人增加到了十二人，新人還熱切的帶朋友來參加。

在**盧森堡**（Luxembourg），有三個家在勞苦服事。我們在大學校園旁有一間公寓，這對於持續照顧學生至關重要。最近一次的主日聚會有十一位本地人，是我們從分發聖經中認識的，他們都與我們分享了他們對主的享受。

**瑞士日內瓦**（Geneva）有十四位聖徒，還有八位新人正在接受照顧。聖徒們實在珍賞身體裏的流，以及來訪聖徒的供應。

在**楠泰爾**（Nanterre）、**凡爾賽**（Versailles）、**圖盧茲**（Toulouse）、**魯昂**（Rouen）和**盧森堡**（Luxembourg），我們已經或即將有可供主工作使用的公寓。

藉着身體裏的交通，其他國家前來**配搭的人**越來越多，包括**英國、德國、西班牙、波蘭、加拿大和巴西**，他們都差遣聖徒來應付當前的需要。我們仰望主持續的祝福，並預期在今年年中，祂會在**楠泰爾（巴黎）、里爾和圖盧茲**興起三個新的**金燈臺**。歐洲法語區許多城市莊稼都已經成熟，可以收割，現有的召會也需要牧養和加強。目前我們在巴黎的團隊有十六位全時間服事者。我們原本的目標是要有二十位，但現在我們意識到，即使有五十位，他們也都會被完全用上。我們需要更多的聖徒移民以滿足長期的需要。**願主差遣工人以配合祂當前的行動。**

## 拉脫維亞的里加（Riga, Latvia）一新會所

里加是東北歐波羅的海三國之一拉脫維亞的首都。拉脫維亞位於這三個國家之間的中心位置，在連接這些國家和促進主在這整個地區的工作上發揮着至關重要的作用。另外，拉脫維亞是歐盟的一部分，但那裏的大多數聖徒都說俄語。因此，里加是俄語工作和歐洲更廣泛工作之間的重要橋樑。

藉着 1990 年代初期傳播到俄語世界的職事刊物，里加召會於 1996 年成立。今天，約有六十位聖徒在里加聚會。自成立以來，召會就意識到迫切需要擁有自己的會所。十五年來，弟兄姊妹一直堅定持續的為能找到合適的建築禱告、交通。2023 年，主施恩帶領我們購買了一棟符合召會需要，既可作為相調場所，又可扶持校園工作的建築。

所購得的房產總佔地面積為 1,000 平方公尺（0.25 英畝），有一棟獨立建築佔地 280 平方米（3000 平方英尺）。該四層建築每層樓面積約為 180 平方米（2000 平方英尺）。其地理位置十分優越，距離拉脫維亞三所主要大學僅十分鐘車程，距離部分學生宿舍僅五分鐘步行路程。

購買該建築的費用為 315,000 歐元，里加召會去年已全額收到這筆款項。此外，來自世界各地，特別是波羅的海和北歐國家的聖徒們也捐贈了額外的 165,000 歐元。根據新的設計，改造後的建築將包括一樓的聚會廳，可容納 90 名聖徒，可擴展至 140 名。地下室將設有三間單間公寓和一間書房。二樓將設有兒童房、召會辦公室和另外兩間公寓，而三樓將作為學生的休閒區。

目前，弟兄們正在努力獲得所有必要的許可證並完成專業設計。里加的許多聖徒都是經驗豐富的建築工人，已承諾願意自己完成大部分的工程來降低成本。然而，審批過程很冗長，需要多次修改設計。最終，市政府將該建築物指定為歷史遺產，要求使用類似的材料來保存其外觀。結果，改造成本大幅增加。目前預計的建築工程總成本為 575,000 歐元，另外還需要 90,000 歐元用於傢俱，因此總預算達到 665,000 歐元。目前所需資金為 50 萬歐元。

在獲得足夠的資金支持後，我們預計將於 2025 年底完成包括聚會廳在內的一樓建設，屆時我們就可以在那裏開始聚會。地下室和二樓的建設預計將於 2026 年底完成，具體取決於計畫的及時批准和可用資金的情況。我們禱告，求主帶領全地的召會與聖徒，為這會所的完成代禱、奉獻。願祂祝福這項努力，使祂在這地區的工作能夠進一步開展。

請將奉獻款投給當地召會並轉交給 LME，也可以按照 <https://lordsmove.org/offerings.html> 上的說明奉獻給 LME。