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"I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father." – John 14:13

In my previous prayer letter, which seems like ages ago, I wrote about thanking God for the little things in life, for the circumstances where we see him work. If not for the little things, many big things would not even happen!

This year we will focus more intently on the little things, or even specific items and people, that aren't so little. As I have tried to be very specific in some of my prayer letters, it may seem even more so this year. The work in Hem requires more attention and concentrating on small details, for even a small team to accomplish a task or run an event, or for the modest house group to start an official church.

Please **pray** for:

- Three former "Mausslim" women and their strength in their Christian faith as well as their witness among family and friends.
- The Hem church to find a place to meet. We had an interesting proposition, in that a friend of the mayor's knew that a "Mausslim" group was benefiting from having a room offered to them from the city where they could meet. This friend will see if another such room would be open for us to meet. **Pray** that we have a meeting place in this way, or that one comes open to rent (or buy!).
- The Hem church as the charter members meet to discuss our structure. **Pray** that Christ leads his body to be a light in this dark town.
- The kids club on January 27 and February 17. We want to be most attentive to the local kids who come to every club meeting and meet the parents. Up until now, we have been simply meeting with anyone and everyone who comes, which is good in presenting the ministry. **Pray** for these recurring contacts, that they would become stronger every month!
- Our workshop on prayer and evangelism. On February 2, we will present an all-day conference on how local Christians can pray for different people groups and ministries that are around us. This will be one way to share who we are as we look to start other teams in other Lille suburbs. **Pray** for good connections and that people are raised up for prayer and witnessing!
- The ministry leader, Christophe. **Pray** for his wisdom and passion to see his compatriots and neighbors saved, and for his family to be protected from all negative ramifications and persecution.

Thank you for your prayers as we "Kneel for Lille"! We thank God for you!

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