

Less than two months left in 2024, the year has flown by and it has been an eventful one! I have to admit, that I am very curious how the elections are going to go, but I know it doesn't matter if red or blue wins, God is still in control. Here in Belgium, they had their elections earlier in the month and there was a shift away from socialism in the voting, so that is promising.

We did a lot of work at church in October. Jen and the kids helped me put new flooring in several rooms and we redid the "scary room" as one of the church people called it, and made it into a pastor's office. We have been doing a ton of work the last couple of months and I think we have one more project to do before we take a little break from the face-lift. I'm thankful that we are able to have a building, but when the church building is an old milk factory, and more than 150 years old, there is a lot of upkeep needed.

Over the years, it seems like our churches have always drawn people that most of the world would reject. People that aren't necessarily the most popular or accepted or ones we would expect to see in church. We have a new family that has been coming the last several weeks. The wife was a Wiccan for many years and the husband is an atheist. She is sick of the lies of Satan and is getting rid of everything that has to do with the occult. He has been coming to church as well and is enjoying it. The wife gave a clear testimony of salvation from when she was younger to Jen, but we aren't sure of the husband. We know he grew up in church, and it seems he either got bitter or jaded to Christianity.

Church has been going pretty smoothly. I thank the Lord for the pleasant spirit that the church has. Sometimes I get a little discouraged because it is a more difficult field as far as growth is concerned, but then I think about how much the church people have grown and the love that we all have for each other and I'm so grateful that God has put the church people in our path. As I told the church people, not only do we love them, we like them too!

Thank you for all that you do to keep us on the field. We know how much everyone sacrifices to support us and we are so thankful for that.

In Christ,
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