



East Meets West

The Bosphorus straight runs through the middle of Istanbul, separating what they call the Asian side from the European side, the eastern side and western side. Before it was named Istanbul it was the center of Christianity, Constantinople. However, the Muslim Turks came into power, taking the eastern side of the city and eventually conquering the west. Europeans were allowed to stay and even worship the Lord in their own communities, living and working with their Muslim neighbors. This meeting place, Istanbul, was where we joined FMI Europe leaders and FMI MENACA (Middle East, North Africa, Central Asia) leaders in order to learn from one another and support each other in our call to the nations and people of these continents. The Foursquare Turkish national conference took place at the same time, so we were invited to stay and hear the testimonies of how God is working in this Middle East nation and its neighboring countries. Healing old wounds in believers from Turkey and Balkan nations ... bringing them together (east and west) to glorify Him. The Lord is strengthening believers in countries where persecution is prominent. As God is still on the move, join us in praying for unity and healing!

FMI Friends in France

In September, the Lord opened the door for us to take a long-postponed trip to Tours and Strasbourg to visit friends who are FMI Global Workers serving there. The drive was beautiful, but long. So we took it in pieces, staying the first night on the far western border of Germany. Then travelling on to Tours which is in central France, south of Paris. Tours is a beautiful University city and FMI's global worker there, Dianne Parcher, has been serving as a business-as-mission (BAM) worker, teaching English in businesses and universities. She also leads discipleship groups and is part of a local Foursquare congregation in Tours. Pray for her as she shares the love of Christ to the French of all ages, many who have deep wounds and hard hearts towards Christianity.



In Strasbourg also, the French have hard hearts towards Christianity, mostly because of the abuse they endured for centuries from the Catholic church. FMI global workers Francois and Nathalie Gendron are French Canadian, and have been working in France for over 20 years. They pastor a Foursquare church and lead a Healing Streams ministry to help many who have emotional and spiritual wounds. Nathalie asked Gary to share a message and lead some worship in English at their church. We were so blessed by their passion to see God move in France. Please remember Dianne, Francois & Nathalie, and their adult kids Eve, and Joseph (and wife Keyla)

as you pray. Ask for soft hearts in France, and thank you for all your prayers for Europe!

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