



Tom & Brenda Guffey Camp des Cimes, France

WINTER UPDATE 2026



This winter we had more snow than we've had in years, which our campers really enjoyed (except for having to put snow chains on everyday).

Our **winter family camps** were full of laughter and singing,

noisy kids and adults. There were also many deep conversations and profound suffering.

Daddy: *"Everyday in my car I cry over my daughter and the terrible choices she has made. I've lost her and I don't know if our relationship can ever be redeemed. It seems as if I'm serving a God that doesn't exist."*

Husband: *"It has been 10 years since my wife left, and I'm just now realizing that she's not coming back. It's hard, but thank the Lord, I believe our family is going to be okay."*

Mother: *"I had to raise my daughter on my own when her dad left. We were always together and she was my life, but now that she has gone off to college she has disowned me."*

Wife & mother: *"Even when I was little, I had to be the strong one, and now it's still the same. The problem is that I am not strong, and now I'm very tired. I pray but nothing changes. It's very hard."*



These friends, some who we've known for over 20 years, are all believers who are desperately seeking a word from God. This winter we spend a lot of time listening, encouraging, and praying for miracles.

STEPS OF FAITH

One of the great privileges we have is to see young people follow Christ's example and get baptized. Because of the winter schedule, we were not able to attend the baptism of a young man who is a "camp regularly." His mother wrote, *"Even if you can't be there on the big day, you'll be in my thoughts, because the journey he's taken in his faith is largely thanks to you. So, thank you so much!"*

We were able to attend the baptism of a young lady in our church whose family we've know since we came to France. She is a third



generation believer, and it has been a privilege to watch the Lord work in her life and in the lives of her extended family.

RENOVATIONS

As soon as our winter camps ended, we welcomed a work team of 8 guys who began a remodeling project on one of our older



buildings, the Chalet des Cimes. We started with the

fun stuff; we demolished a kitchen in order to expose the original walls in order to fix a drainage problem.



It was a great start, and we continue to recruit help in order to continue this renovation project. If you're interested in coming to help, here are the rough dates for possible work teams.

Sep 14 - Oct 17, 2026

Oct 26 - Nov 30, 2026

Jan 12 - Feb 12, 2027

March 6 - May 14, 2027

MOVING FORWARD

The **Camp Team** just went through a strengths assessment exercise in order to better understand how each person functions, and to know how to best distribute responsibilities. It was a great exercise to confirm what we already knew; that we have a great team with a very wide variety of gifts and talents. What a blessing it is to work with these people for the common goal of glorifying the Father!



which means that there will be duties to redistribute in the very near future.

This was a particularly important time to reassess goals and roles as two of our team members are pregnant,

FAMILY STUFF

YES, Rhea & Flo are expecting a little one in June! What a great blessing to add to the family! Rhea's roles at Camp have already changed a bit, but she hopes to remain involved as much as possible.



More great news! **Stephanie & Noah** are also expecting their second child in July! They are currently looking for a bigger place there in the Saint Louis area, and preparing little River for her big sister role.

Terah could not be more excited to be an aunt for the second and third time!

After nearly five years at Daymark Living, Terah feels like she's ready to move on to something else. Thank you for praying for her, and with us, for the perfect place for her.



Thank you for your faithfulness to us and the work that God has called us to in France.

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