

# THE PATE FAMILY

MISSIONARIES IN MONTREAL, QUÉBEC



## NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 2025 | PRAYER UPDATE

Greetings from snow-covered Montreal! We trust that you have had a wonderful Christmas season and beginning to 2026 celebrating the birth of Christ and reflecting upon His goodness. We have seen several answers to prayer over the past two months and we are so grateful for your continued prayer for us.

It was a blessing to welcome my father and Katie's parents in the month of November, to spend quality time with them, and to show them some of the ministry here. We also enjoyed the church's weekend missions conference in November with Bob and Becky Mach from the Ivory Coast. This proved to be a very special time, and we were very blessed by the preaching from God's Word and encouraged by the church's heart for missions.

The Lord gave us numerous opportunities to give out the Gospel during the Christmas season. Our special Christmas service was held on December 14 with 11 visitors present, the majority of whom were unsaved. The Gospel was given clearly and we had good conversations with several individuals. We're continuing to pray that the Lord works in their hearts to show them their need of salvation. In addition, on this same day, another Haitian family was added to the church by way of church membership. At the end of December, we also enjoyed a teen Christmas party in our home and a Christmas party for the ladies at the church; Katie did a tremendous job preparing for these two events as well as sharing a devotional from God's Word for the ladies. All of the church ladies prepared boxes of Christmas cookies with Gospel tracts to distribute to unsaved friends or neighbors. We're praying for spiritual fruit from these Gospel opportunities.

Unfortunately, in the middle of December, a young man who attended our church faithfully passed away unexpectedly. While this was a difficult situation for the church, it also provided us with an opportunity to minister to this family. I had the opportunity to lead the funeral service and to preach the Gospel. There were undoubtedly many unsaved individuals present for the funeral service. We are continuing to pray for wisdom as we comfort this family and reach them with the Gospel.

We look forward to what the Lord has prepared for us in 2026. We truly sense that the future is bright and we are excited to see how He will lead us individually and corporately this year. I have chosen the theme for the church this year to be "Avancer Par la Foi" (Forward by Faith) from Hebrews 11:6. We anticipate several key steps that need to be taken by faith, both personally and collectively, as the church continues to develop towards autonomy. We are also praying specifically that the Lord gives wisdom as it pertains to a larger permanent building for the church. We would appreciate your prayer for us as we seek to follow the Lord's guidance for our family and ministry this year.

In Christ,  
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