



## Hey Prayer Team!!

Hope that you are all enjoying this Labor Day with your friends and family, as well as remembering what a joy it is to honor God through our daily labors and toils of life and leveraging the holiday to spend time with coworkers, neighbors, friends and family members. It's been a pretty hectic few weeks for us as we have been popping in and out of doctors meetings and prepping our house, and our lives, for the onset of our little baby boy this upcoming January. We are just as thrilled as we could possibly be and it is such a joy to share this joy with you all through Facebook and through this prayer update. Thank you so much for the overwhelming love and support for us as we are trying to prepare for parenthood (and learning some of the crazy names given to baby gear). It truly is a different world and we are excited!

Last week, Samantha and I were able to spend the majority of our time in Winnipeg, celebrating her 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday (Happy Birthday Samantha), attending the wedding of one of our best friends, and the discovery that we were having a BABY BOY at a place called "Baby Moon." It was a great trip filled with tons of encouragement, meetings with everyone from pastors to friends, sharing a bit about the Gospel work in Montreal at Renaissance Winnipeg (what a lovely church), and plenty of family time celebrating my lady and our little baby.



We were also able to connect with some of our best friends who are prayerfully moving towards transferring their lives to Montreal and working with us in June 2015 (Graeme and Melissa Dyck). They are in a busy mode of learning French, raising a prayer network and funds to intern with us for 2 years, and enjoying one another (as they are newlyweds – they got married this past May). Please join us in prayer for them as they are prayerfully walking towards joining our team.

## What's going on?

Things in Montreal are hopping!! In the next week, we will be starting our Gospel Community on Wednesday night (LifeGroups, Small Groups, whatever else your church may call them) and we will be having our first worship service this upcoming Sunday!! These are the first crucial steps in planting our church and we could not be more excited!! Not only that, but we will also have:

- Two mission teams from the US
- A large community event (Saturday – called the “Little Burgundy Festival”)
- A Vision Tour with some potential partner churches on September 8-10
- A Chinese Festival celebration to meet some of our Chinese friends and neighbors
- And a baby test to see if everything is going well and how my lovely bride is doing

**WOW** – that is a lot going on! And so this next week and a half, please dust off your “Boswells” wristband or rearrange your magnets on your refrigerator so that you can see our prayer card and please pray for us often (If you would like information on how to get these to your church, please email me). We are praying specifically that our gracious God would:

- Open up doors into our community so that we may be able to share the Gospel and invite those who are spiritually interested into Bible Studies and to our church's first gathering on Sunday.
- Save men and women through the conversations that we will be having with them as they see the love of Jesus lived out and hear the Gospel of Jesus clearly explained through our presentation/evangelization.
- Give dreams to our Muslim friends so that they may begin to understand that Jesus alone deserves their worship and praise.

### **One Last Thing to be praying for ... TONIGHT**

We are having a birthday party for Samantha and trying to selectively invite our nonChristian friends and Christian friends into community. We just love inviting people over to celebrate with us and, simultaneously, inviting them into relationship with our Christian friends. Please be praying with us tonight for:

- **D & A** – some of our neighbors that Samantha and I had coffee with this morning. They come from a Jewish and Catholic background and have shown some signs of spiritual curiosity, but not many. D and I were chatting this morning and he expressed interest in wanting to have God reveal Himself through dreams, as he thinks that may be some sort of cognitive proof of God. Well ... our God controls all things, including dreams – HA! Please be praying with us that God would continue to reveal Himself to D and give him Gospel dreams that would spark his curiosity.
- **P** – one of our friends who grew up in a Christian home but has since walked away from Christianity all together when he realized he cared more about the girls in his youth group than knowing God. When sufferings and the things of the world came calling, he left Christianity. Please be praying for a renewed sense of curiosity.

- **C** is a girl that Samantha has been building a relationship with over the past few months and they have sparked a wonderful friendship. Please be praying for her as she is still questioning Christianity and recently borrowed a copy of “What is the Gospel?” by Greg Gilbert. Pray for her salvation.

We also have some Christians that we’d love for you to be praying with us about, especially as we are praying Luke 10:2 and asking the Lord of the Harvest to raise up men and women to work this ground with us:

- **Ryan and Char** – some new friends of ours that are Christians. We are praying that they will join with our new church plant.
- **Jessye** – a Christian girl who has been involved in Little Burgundy for a few years. She is prayerfully considering joining our launch team and working with us in Burgundy.
- **Donald and Melissa** – Christian friends who are moving into Little Burgundy for a few months. They may be moving to British Columbia, but also may be staying in Montreal if Donald gets a good job ... so please pray that he would get a good job and stay to work with us 😊
- **Graeme and Melissa Dyck** – that our gracious God would continue to provide for them a wonderful group of people to pray with/for them and also that God would richly provide for them financially as they are coming to intern with us.

Thank you so much for your prayers and your friendship. We love that your families, small groups, local churches, associations, and denominations are praying for us as we are sharing our lives and the Gospel Message with people here in Little Burgundy. At times it is difficult and the work is laborious and yet seeing God answer our prayers begin to work in our friends lives is worth every hardship. Thank you for praying and sacrificing so that the Gospel may continue to advance in Montreal. Looking forward to the celebration that our gracious God has outlined in Revelation 5 – where men and women from every tribe, nation and tongue will be gathered around the throne worshiping our God for His great mercy.

Love you all,

- Aaron and Samantha (and Baby Boz).

