

Dear friend of the Château de Saint Albain,

The Château has played a tremendous role in GBIM's church planting ministry in France. For over forty years, thousands of Europeans have walked through the gates to participate in Biblical training seminars, youth outreach events, church retreats, and much, much more. For over forty years, Grace Brethren International Missions has provided the vision and direction of the Château ministry through missionaries, sent by people just like you. Now the European churches are preparing to provide that vision and direction themselves - a very exciting transition is just around the corner!

GBIM will remain involved in the Château; there's a lot that goes into this ministry, and GBIM's involvement is highly valued. There will still be people sent from U.S. churches who will assist in the Château's ministry, but the leadership and vision will come from the churches that have been planted in European soil, a truly European vision.

Our goal is for this transition to take place over the next five years. Please be praying for God to raise up the right leaders for this important ministry.

And there is another way that you can be tangibly involved in this transition. We're announcing the **Château 100 Club**, as a means to assist the Château with the financial costs involved in this transition. In order for the Château to support its own staff (instead of relying on U.S. supported missionaries), the Château will need to increase its annual income, and to do that, some improvements will need to be made.

Would you consider choosing one day each year for the next five years, to contribute \$100 towards this transitional phase of the Château ministry? My wife Debbie and I have chosen to use our birthdays as the days that we contribute, but maybe you have your own special day that you'd like to sponsor.

And to keep you connected, each year we'll write you a postcard on the day you sponsor, giving you a glimpse into the daily ministry of the Château, the ministry that God has made possible, through people just like you.

Your partners in the Château ministry,

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