June 2006 Email Update

Dear family and friends,

It's official! August 14th – my scheduled departure date for Cameroon! In my last email update, I requested prayer for my preparations for Cameroon. Thank you for praying. I purchased a ticket last week and am very pleased with the price. I continue to work on the visa application. Thank you for your continued prayers for these details.

Thanks so much for your prayers for me several weeks ago as I shared with a Sunday school class. I'm sure the French wasn't perfect, but nonetheless, I think most of it was understood. It was a privilege to be able to share the gospel, a bit about missions, Bible translation and how aviation fits into this work.

This Saturday, I will be taking the "Alliance Française" an international French language exam. It starts at 8 a.m., goes until 4 p.m. and includes basically every type of language aspect possible: oral & written comprehension, grammar and vocabulary exercises, etc. **I would appreciate your prayers for this exam.** Thankfully, I am feeling more confident with the material.

One other recent project has been installing an online photo gallery on my internet site. It is relatively new and there are still some improvements to make, however, it is up and running. If you would like to take a look, go to www.petersonfamily.info/robert, then select the "*Pictures*" link from the menu. Most of the pictures are from local hiking/biking trips which have been a very enjoyable French "classroom". However, if you would really like to see a picture of me sitting at my desk studying the French subjunctive, I can probably find a picture of that too. :-)

Thank you so much for your prayers, support and notes of encouragement. I am encouraged with my progress, looking forward to Cameroon and wondering how to express my thanks to so many people here in Switzerland who have encouraged and helped me this last year.

Praises:

- 1. Ticket for Cameroon August 14th
- 2. Completing two French exams at the university
- 3. Opportunity to share with this Sunday school class.

Prayer Requests:

- 1. Details related to Cameroon (visa, misc. supplies like malaria medicine, etc.)
- 2. French Language Exam Saturday, June 24th
- 3. Wisdom and grace for a small international Bible study I lead every two weeks (in English)

May the Lord bless you, Robert

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Hiking with friends during a weekend retreat with my "Groupe de Maison" (Bible study group)