

Lecture 10: The Move to Europe

Father we thank You for this really beautiful weather. We thank You for being able to meet together now and thank You for the way You're challenging us as we study the life of Francis and Edith Schaeffer. That this is providing an opportunity for us to think about all sorts of things which challenge our own faithfulness and walk before You. We pray You'll be with us in this class, in Jesus' name, Amen.

Review and Introduction: The last lecture covered Francis' trip alone to Europe for the IBPFM and ACCC. Professor Barrs now reviews significant events in the Schaeffer's lives as they prepared to leave the United States and what the Schaeffers did in the first few years of life in Europe.

The Move to Europe**I. The Hand of God**

- A. Meeting (and relationship with) Dr. C. Everett Koop
- B. Choice of a place to live—Mme. Turrian, Rue de la Foret, La Rosiaz, Lau sane, Switzerland
- C. His provision of “the Praying Family”

II. A Family on the Move

- A. Rotterdam (Francis in Amsterdam—Hans and Anky Rookmaaker)
- B. Difficulty of life
- C. Pension in Lausanne

III. What Were They Doing?—“Strengthening the things that remained”**A. Generally**

- 1. Correspondence
- 2. Children for Christ
- 3. Church history lectures
- 4. Traveling
- 5. Individuals
- 6. Church service (*Tapestry*, page 290)

B. Speaking vacation (January, 1949)**C. Move to Chalet Bon Accueil, Champéry (July, August, 1949)—Roman Catholic canton**

- 1. Alone
- 2. Learning French
- 3. Contact
- 4. Amsterdam—Reformed Ecumenical Synod; Edith and Children for Christ ministry

D. Return to Lausanne**E. Move to Chalet Les Frenes, Champéry (November, 1949)**

- 1. Furniture
- 2. Children's classes (*Everybody Can Know*)
- 3. Individuals
- 4. Francis' trip to London—dispute regarding ICCC missionaries in Kenya and the WCC
- 5. Church evening service; protestant chapel

IV. No Plans—The “Praying Family” (*With Love, Edith*)

- A. God's timing
- B. Daily faithfulness