

THE TANIS FAMILY

to Malta and beyond

SUMMER 2023





Many Praises

We praise God for his mighty acts and wondrous works (Psalm 145). We are extremely thankful you are praying for the ministry here in Malta. This summer provided a change of pace as our co-workers were back in North America reporting to their Gospel partners. Anna's mom spent much of the summer here and was a great help and encouragement! Arlo is growing fast, and Theo and Layla love spending time with their new brother. We've been using the new auditorium for over a year and we praise the Lord for provision of new chairs! This was a pressing need, and we are especially thank all those who gave financially.

Christ is Enough

This summer the theme was "Christ is enough" and Luke preached through Colossians. Several men were able to be involved in various roles of ministry. One of the highlights was two of these men preaching in the Colossians series. Please continue to pray for these men as we seek to train and equip them. A growing burden of ours is the young adults in Malta. The things of this world constantly pull them away and many believers never fully commit to being a disciple of Christ. This summer we were thrilled



as a number of young adult men began attending and taking seriously the truth that "Christ is enough." It was exciting to hear each story of how God has worked, showing them that Christ is greater than anything this world has to offer. The changes in their lives in the past few months give us great cause to rejoice! The Gospel is at work! Seeing them continue to prioritize church and even invite many of their friends strengthened our hearts. Please pray for these young adults, as God can use them in powerful ways for the Great Commission. God has recently allowed us to be involved with a Bible Study group at the University of Malta, only a 20 minute walk from church. We've already had many spiritual conversations, planting Gospel seeds and teaching His Word.



Endless Opportunities

In August, Anna led her first ladies breakfast, studying our identity in Christ. This along with men's breakfasts provided an opportunity to invite unbelieving friends who have not come to a Sunday service. This school year Luke began a teen group that meets weekly and we hope to see this group grow in their love for Christ and the Word. The Gospel needs in Malta are endless. We continue to pray for wisdom in discerning God's will for how to use our limited time and resources to serve an unlimited God. September usually signals a shift to fall but in Malta the summer weather has continued on, complete with heat waves in late October. The upside is a few more family

beach trips! Theo is enjoying his new school and classmates in our new community of Naxxar and we enjoy the 10 minute walk to pick him up. Please pray for ongoing discipleship; pray for strength for us as we disciple our children; and pray for the church body to continue growing in their commitment to Christ and one another.

For His Glory, Luke, Anna, Theo, Layla & Arlo



