

# THE TANIS FAMILY

to Malta and beyond

## **SUMMER 2022**



LUKE, ANNA THEO & LAYLA

#### A Massive May!

God is always faithful and kind. He is faithful to burden our hearts to build relationships, then gives times to do just that. The first post-Covid church picnic turned into an **international buffet**, with meals brought to share by church families from every inhabited continent! The next weekend, church held a two-day **marriage seminar**, with guest speakers from the USA. Several singles, married and dating couples were faithful in attending. These special events, coupled with regularly scheduled activities, all allow strategic time for Bible teaching, and strengthening our relationships with those God has placed in our lives.





#### A Joy-Filled June!

In June, we experienced a **significant answer to prayer**! Anna and the kids finally received their residency permits! Although complications persisted at every step, these visas are evidence of God's will for our good and His glory. We enjoyed a visit from our BMM field administrator. Recounting our experiences, joys, and lessons learned from the past eight months reminded us to rejoice anew at what God has done in our lives. God's kindness radiated by allowing **family to visit this summer**. Theo and Layla loved being spoiled and loved on during the two short visits. Through the generosity of a few of our partnering churches who gave to the building project, Anna was able to **handpick a piano for church**. She is excited to begin playing for services, when we start meeting upstairs in the new auditorium, which is close to being finished.

### A Jubilant July!

**Theo's summer sports camp** began in July. He has absolutely loved every minute! He is the only non-Maltese in his class. We pray for God to use our entire family to further His will and bring others to Him. Since Covid restrictions have continued to loosen, Malta is returning to normal which brings the ebb and flow of ESL students. **Friday night Bible studies** are filled with young adults from many different countries and religious backgrounds. Please continue to pray for God's word to be planted and take root here in Malta. This past Sunday, a Moldovan and Thai believer were baptized. We praise God for his faithfulness to transform hearts. At the end of July, **Layla turned two** and has now lived in Malta for 1/3 of her life. We look ahead with joy to the coming months of opportunities to serve Him in Malta and beyond.





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