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the DELUCA family

CHURCH PLANTING MISSIONARIES TO THE PEOPLE OF GREECE



God's Family

We recently asked for prayer for MacKenzie Manaraze who is a Christian college student facing cancer. God laid her on our hearts & we kept in close contact with her family. During a break in our schedule, we visited the church her dad pastors in DE and had a blessed night of Sunday worship and fellowship. After spending time talking about family, we discovered that they're distant cousins of Joanna's family on her grandmother's side! What a blessing to see God bring us together through extraordinary circumstances. Please pray for our "Sister" in Christ as she continues her battle.

Here, There, & Everywhere

We've traveled many miles over the last 2 years but Jan. & Feb. saw us fly to CA for a college tour, drive to AZ for a meeting & fly home. Upon returning, Joanna and I flew to Greece to look at rental homes and see to details related to our upcoming move. God blessed with great safety and showed us our next house too. We're not sure of the miles but we know God led everywhere!

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS...

During our February visit to Greece, we believe God answered many of the prayers we've brought before Him through these years. We noticed how we understood more of the language and were able to better use what we knew. We found a number of homes that could be "home" but God confirmed in our hearts the right one based not on our wants but on the needs of others. God continued to solidify our relationship with our missionary partners and He continues to give us vision for both short and long term future ministry. One of our greatest prayer requests though has been that God would give us hearts and minds that are Greek. We've prayed to understand the culture, not simply to know what

a Greek would do, but rather to know why. Our ability to know and understand the culture will help us to integrate into Greek society more quickly. Having a Greek heart and mind will allow us to readily understand a Greek because we will recognize how Christ and the Bible meet their needs in their cultural situation. Slowly, we're beginning to see with Greek eyes and feel with a Greek heart that we might be ready to meet their need, "That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ."- Colossians 2:2

Prayer Requests:

- ❖ God's Glory in Our Ministry.
- ❖ Passage/Shipping Decisions.
- ❖ Full Support by June!
- ❖ Upcoming Bible Camp- July!
- ❖ Praise- God Led Us to a Home in Greece!
- ❖ Wisdom Regarding Citizenship Process & Timing.
- ❖ Strong Finish of Deputation.
- ❖ Decisions Regarding Kids Schooling in Greece.
- ❖ Strength & Wisdom in All Areas Concerning Our Move & Future Ministry.



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