

Praise God for a Scheduled Citizenship Interview/Test

We are so thankful that after a long wait, John now has been granted an appointment for his US Citizenship! Thank you to all of you who have prayed over the years for this process. June 26th is the big day — there will be an interview and a test in Buffalo New York! God has been so gracious to us and the timing feels perfect for plans we already had in place! Once (Lord willing) John is granted US citizenship, it will simplify life so much for our family!

- **Praise God for this appointment!**
- **Please ask that John can EASILY enter the US on June 23!** He's been out of country for 6+ months and as a green card holder this can create problems for entry. He has filled out all the correct permissions/forms at the appropriate times but a specific document needed for reentry has been delayed (by 17 MONTHS!) and he needs to explain all that at customs. Please ask for favor!
- **Please ask that the interview and the test would be go well** and that John can apply for his expedited US passport the same day.
- **Anna and the kids are traveling alone, on June 19th** ahead of Johns. Please ask for travel mercies and for Anna to have the energy for international travel with 2 young kids...Baby S especially is a very, um, "energetic" travel buddy ;) !

Local Friends

There has been much encouraging news with regards to Anna's friend with the health crisis, but also many setbacks. She continues to hold on to God and it is so clear that she knows J and He is at work in her, but it doesn't sound like she's gotten to the place where she believes that He is the ONLY way. Pray for her heart as she reads the Word, that her eyes would be opened to the full truth and what that means for her. Please also lift up Anna, who needs a lot of wisdom as she walks with her through many difficult things. She prays over her friend in J name most times they are together and they talk about spiritual things and also about the deep valleys her friend is walking through. Please ask that His light and love would shine through Anna clearly.

John has been meeting with his believing friend semi regularly and reading from John together. John really wants this relationship to be more intentional, but there are a few factors making this challenging. Please ask the Father for hunger in this friend's heart for growth and fellowship. Please ask for wisdom, patience and language for John to be able to initiate this and do it well.

Please also lift us up as we witness to other friends here regularly. Many seeds go out and we trust the Sower to help life grow up in these precious hearts.

There is also a couple of new work opportunities for John— some to help get the Word out with his tech skills and another opportunity would help him make new relationships here using some of his programming/coding background. Please ask for open doors and for the Father to use John's skills for His purposes.

Please also lift up:

1. There are several workers and families moving from here and several new ones coming in - which means **a lot of transition in the community here** as we (us and the kids) miss our friends
2. Baby S, our youngest, is growing so fast. He's starting potty training and **will go to an Arabic (and French) preschool in September**. Please pray that there would be a spot available for him and that he would feel safe there and make friends despite language barriers and it being a big change.
3. Please continue to pray with us as we remember the **brothers and sisters in prison in the beloved country** next door (who've been held over a year now) **that have hearings scheduled in early June. Please ask that they would finally be tried fairly and released!**