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# News & Prayer Update

### Family News

Welcome to our April/May newsletter. We trust that will enjoy reading through our news and be blessed and encouraged to see what God is doing on our small island.

We had a good time over Christmas and the New Year as Debbie and Nathan came over to Malta and spent three weeks with us. During that time we organised a celebration breakfast at which the church got together to congratulate Debbie and Nathan on their recent engagement. We enjoyed a full English buffet breakfast followed by an engagement cake which was baked by one of our church members who is a professional confectioner.

We took ourselves off to the theatre one evening in February to watch a local production of "My Fair Lady", one of our favourite musicals. We were a tiny bit concerned how the local actors would cope with a cockney accent but they did very well and there wasn't any hint of Maltese - except from the audience.



Cutting the cake



March was a mixed month for us as our good friends Carla, Richie and their two young children left the island to go back to the UK. They have been an integral part of our lives here and it was like saying goodbye to family members. We are sure that they will be happy as they go on with the Lord and begin this new chapter in their lives. On the same day they left we moved into their old apartment and also bought Richie's car. So now we have moved back into the busy tourist area near to the sea and all local amenities, and more importantly for us, just a few minutes walk from church.

We are planning a trip to the UK at the beginning of May to see family and friends, and to spend some long awaited time

with our granddaughter Bethany who is growing very fast. We can hardly believe that she will soon be one year old. This is an earlier trip than expected as we had originally planned to travel during July but Pete has just been offered a job in the financial sector, with a global bank. He starts his training in May and will not be able to take any time off before August. This is a total career change for him although he still intends to keep his teaching permit active, which he worked hard to get in the first place. Although this will mean working longer hours than he has been we trust it will not have too much impact on the church as he still takes a very active role at each service.

We think that there must be something in the air with all the talk of weddings these days - No, we don't just mean Prince Harry and Meghan but also Debbie and Nathan. They are getting married on 8th September this year and of course we will be travelling to the UK for that. In June one of our nieces is getting married as well and we wish all the newly-weds to be every blessing as they start their new lives together.

### Church & Ministry News

For New Year we were able to work off the excesses of Christmas on a long walk which was organised by the Sunday School teacher. A large group of us spent the day walking along the coast to a local beauty spot. To say that it was a breezy day is probably an understatement but it was a day of fun and fellowship, and the exercise was beneficial too. The next day we gathered at the church for an indoor baptism, in the hotel pool. This was the first one this year but already we are planning more which will no doubt be in the sea as the weather has started to warm up.

As mentioned Peter continues to take a very active role in the church. We have been recently blessed with the ministry from

a visiting speaker from England who has been with us for almost two months. This has given Peter and Pastor Vince a short break from teaching over this period.



### B&B Project

Our change of address means that we now have a much bigger apartment in the heart of the tourist area. We still continue with the small B&B and already have guests booked in for July and August. Our new apartment also has the added attraction of a large outdoor swimming pool which is not open to the public but solely for the use of residents and their guests. We plan to make good use of it this year!

We are able to offer a twin bedded room with private bathroom and tea/coffee making facilities. Included in the price is a good breakfast and we charge per room not per person. So if you fancy some Maltese sunshine just drop us a line for a quote

As always we trust that you enjoy God's blessing, Much love Pete & Jayne



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- that God will supply all our necessary living expenses.
- for our church, pastors, elders and leaders.
- Pray that our contact with the locals will bring them into a relationship with the Lord.
- Pray for our girls, their partners and families
- for God's direction as we go forward for Him



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