

Raschdorf Family

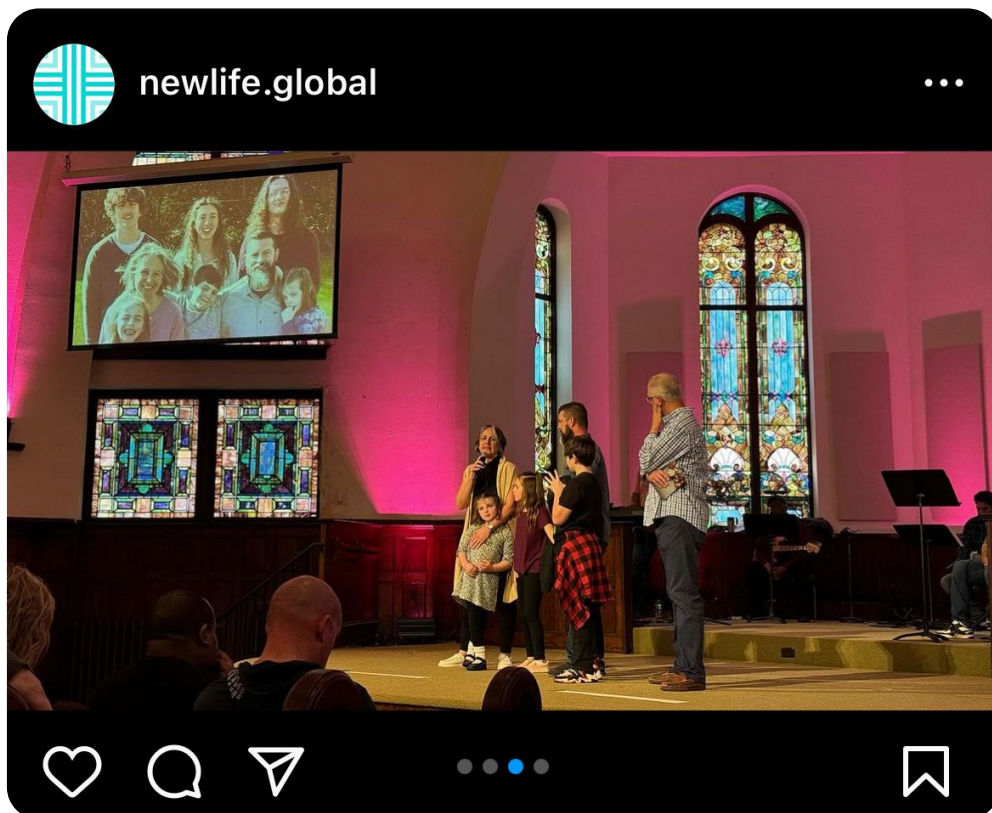
Spring 2024 Update

(one of two email updates)



FOLLOWING THE CALL

In 2017 we received a prophecy about "blowing the shofar [a ram's horn trumpet used by the Jewish people] over many nations". We are being called to go to Europe, where so many nationalities and people groups are gathered, to share the hope and saving news of the Gospel.



Hello friends and family!!

Time seems to pass by quickly, especially when we're caught up in our daily lives and routines. The changing of seasons can often sneak up on us, but it's also a reminder of God's constant nature (Hebrews 13:8). His unwavering consistency and enduring presence always provide a sense of security and

comfort in times of uncertainty and difficulty. We can view this steadfastness as a reflection of God's unchanging love and faithfulness towards humanity.

Family Updates

- Marin and Asher are back in Kentucky with YWAM Louisville. Marin took on a new position reaching out to potential students and Asher is moved on to the next phase of school called SOMD (School of Ministry Development). Please be praying as our young adult children seek the Lord's direction and next steps.

- Avi and Taryn are busy and almost done with their spring semester at Old Dominion University. Taryn just made tenure and has moved in rank to Associate Professor of Music Education. Avi is busy in the film and theater department and right now has a leading part in "The Play That Goes Wrong"

- Buddy and his brother are dedicated to their contracting business and working hard to make homes beautiful. With God's favor, their commitment and passion for their work has led to success and satisfied customers. We are so grateful.

- In an effort to prepare for European football (aka soccer), Nate, Elsie, and Kess joined BEACH Soccer. Another preparation is watching YouTube videos about Americans moving to Germany and/or kids serving as missionaries. We do appreciate your prayers on this front! It's going to be culture shock for all of us.



Ministry Opportunities

God is so faithful in opening doors for *all* of us to minister.

- Nate felt led to go talk to a group of kids at our local park (Nate is in yellow). He noticed that they were using profanities, talking more worldly, and playing games that we don't allow in our home. Wouldn't you know, Nate spoke to them about Jesus and how much He loved them and they didn't need to be talking like that or acting like the world (in 12 year-old language). They started making fun of him, but Nate didn't back down. The mom of the kids finally had to come over and ask him to leave saying, "We don't hold the same values." Y'all, this kid has grit and I know Satan is going to do his best to bring Nate down. I know the Holy Spirit is prepping Nate for this move to Germany.

- We joined Rabbi David and Pastor Juanita Weiss once again, speaking at their Relationship Enhancement seminar at the end of February. God is all about relationship, building and nurturing being crucial for personal growth and fulfillment. It was so rewarding to engage with our brothers and sisters on such a significant aspect of life.

- In the top photo of this newsletter, you see our family on the stage at New Life Ghent. We were honored and blessed to share with that congregation

on the last Sunday in March. We were able to visit every New Life campus and every service over the course of the month of March. We met beautiful people, had great conversations, and had amazing prayers said over us. A step of faith in raising support.

- In the second photo below, Nate is sitting next to 2 suitcases that were sent to Germany. Our German friends, the Weilers, headed there for a month to visit family and graciously offered to take two suitcases full of our things. These items (books, toys, family pictures, heirlooms) are a step of faith that we will be in Germany soon.



Timeline for Germany

As far as getting to Germany, we are praying and hoping for our move to take place Summer 2024. We will be sharing updates and posts on how things are going more often. Thank you those of you who have stepped alongside of us in monthly and/or one time support. What an encouragement you are to us!

Please keep us in prayer... and would you pray about supporting us? We are 70% of our "go" number. We cannot do this trip without you!

To end, "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

- Philippians 1:3



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