

# LITHUANIA

## The Johnson Family

"O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is good*:  
for his mercy *endureth* for ever." (Ps. 136:1)

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### Celebrating 25 Years of Ministry in Lithuania

March 1998 - March 2023

*And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry.* (1 Tim. 1:12) As a young boy growing up in the woods of Northern Wisconsin, I never would have imagined all of the blessings that God would bring into my life. He has given me a godly wife, wonderful children, and the opportunity to serve Him on the mission field of Lithuania. I would like to thank every church and individual that has faithfully supported us throughout these years with your prayers and financial support. God has been so good to our family!



### Easter Egg Hunt

On the Saturday before Easter we had our annual Easter Egg hunt. The kids had a Bible lesson at the church and heard a clear presentation of the Gospel. During the lesson time, Lisa and some of the teens went to a local city park and put out roughly 1,700 plastic eggs with candy and prizes inside. After the lesson the kids went to the park and had a great time looking for all the eggs. After the hunt was over, the kids received Gospel literature and invitations for them and their parents to come to church for Easter.

### Ukrainian Refugee Relief

With the threat of a Russian spring offensive in Ukraine, we continue to see new Ukrainian refugees come into Lithuania. We have focused our attention on helping new arrivals. Since January we have given out...

**150 pre-paid grocery cards**

**80 food & hygiene packs**

**Totaling just over \$5,000**

We are out of funds at this time. Thank you to everyone who gave financially to help them in their time of need.

### Please Pray for My Physical Recovery

On March 17th I had a bad fall and broke six ribs with multiple fractures. I was not able to stand up or walk without assistance for three weeks. It seems that I have some sort of nerve damage as the last two fingers on both hands are constantly tingling and often going completely numb. I am still in a lot of pain and my recovery has been slow.



I missed three weeks of going to church and the above picture was taken on Easter Sunday. I told the people that we were celebrating the resurrection of our Lord from the grave, and my resurrection from my recliner!

### Travel Plans and Teaching Opportunity

On April 28th I will fly to the USA and be there for two weeks making preparations for the next part of the trip. I have been asked to participate in a two week missions teaching trip to the Philippines with Dr. Joe Morell, the head of the Missionary Training Ministry (MTM). On May 15th we will fly together to the Philippines to teach the "Pauline Cycle of Church Planting" in two churches and three Bible schools. We will be doing a lot of traveling while in the Philippines. I want to thank Dr. Morell and MTM for inviting me to be a part of this teaching opportunity. (This is a class that we teach here in the Bible Institute as well.) Please pray for me! I am still in a lot of pain and need God's help and healing. Lord willing, I will return to Lithuania on May 31st.