

## I WOULD LIKE TO BE A HOST FAMILY

PLEASE FILL IN BLOCK LETTERS

First and last name:

Street, house (apartment):

City, postal code:

E-mail address:

Telephone:

I can accommodate  persons. (At least two people.)

I'm not a member of any church congregation.

My home church (if known):

If there are preferences or additional options, please specify:

I can accommodate accompanied person in a wheelchair:  
 yes /  no (Access to the accommodation for wheelchair users is required.)

I can also offer accommodation from 26.12.2024:  yes/  no

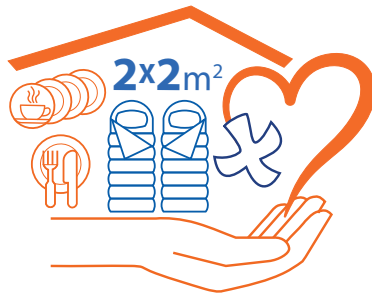
I can invite an additional  people to join us for lunch on January 1, apart from the young people staying with me.

We don't provide accommodation, but we can host  people for lunch on January 1.

Comments/Notes:

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## WELCOME YOUNG PEOPLE!



We are kindly asking the residents of Tallinn and the surrounding areas to open their homes and offer hospitality to young participants. They don't need much - just a warm room and a place to sleep. Even a small **2x2m<sup>2</sup>** space can accommodate two

participants. The young people will bring their own sleeping mat and sleeping bag. Kindness is more important than a well-equipped guest room.

They'll share in your simple **breakfast** on four mornings and your **lunch** on January 1st; at other times, the young people will receive meals as part of the program. From 8 am to 10 pm (during New Year's Eve until 2 am), the young people will participate in the event program and won't need to be taken care of by the host family.

Hospitality is a unique experience for both the host and the guest!

To offer hospitality, please use the form of this flyer or at <https://taizetallinn.ee/aastavahetuse-kohtumine/kulalispere/>.

If you prefer a paper form, you can take it to the **nearest parish**, send a photocopy of it by e-mail ([info@taizetallinn.ee](mailto:info@taizetallinn.ee)), or bring it to the Taizé Tallinn **preparation center** at Kili 9, Tallinn.

**Additional information:**  
[taizetallinn.ee](https://taizetallinn.ee)



## GIVE YOUR HELP AS A VOLUNTEER!

The European Youth Meeting relies on the active support of the residents and the surrounding community of Tallinn. Preparatory work begins in the host communities, and people of all ages can help by preparing the welcome of the young participants and by looking for hosts. Everyone can help by spreading the word about the meeting, inviting friends, neighbours, and co-workers, talking to people you know and don't know. Help is also needed with translation, music, singing, baking and other tasks.

If you'd like to help, please contact the Taizé team at your closest church or by email at [info@taizetallinn.ee](mailto:info@taizetallinn.ee) or visit the website <https://taizetallinn.ee/aastavahetuse-kohtumine/vabatahtlikud/>.

Host families and other people living in the area are welcome to participate in the program: the morning program takes place in the host churches. The common prayers and afternoon workshops are open to everyone.

The common prayers are the centre of the meeting. They consist of simple meditative chants, readings from the Bible and a time of silence. The theme of the morning program will be "Meeting with People of Hope". The 29 and 30 December afternoon workshops will connect faith and life through a wide spectrum of themes, cultural, spiritual and societal.

## COMMON PRAYERS

During the preparation period (from september to december), we are welcoming you to join us for common prayers:

**from Monday to Friday at 12:30**

at Mustamäe Mary Magdalene Church, Kili 9, Tallinn.



## TAIZÉ COMMUNITY

The Taizé community is an ecumenical brotherhood in France, which includes 90 brothers from 30 different nationalities. The community works to reconcile both Christians and nations. For years, the Taizé brothers have welcomed week after week thousands of young people between the ages of 15 and 35. Every year, the Taizé community organizes a youth meeting in a European city.

### 47. EUROPEAN YOUTH MEETING

At the end of this year, thousands of European youth will gather in Tallinn and its surroundings to:

- Be welcomed by locals;
- Get to know the life and culture of Estonia as one of the smallest nations in Europe;
- Meet other young adults from Europe and beyond and be part of an open Europe;
- Search for the meaning of their lives through prayer, silence, and song, personal reflection, and sharing;
- Witnessing Christ in one of the most secular societies in Europe;
- Deepen the unity of Christians in the diversity of their traditions;
- Pray for peace in Ukraine and around the world;
- Welcome the year 2025 together.

**If you would like to take part in the European youth meeting, please register on the website:**

[https://www.taize.fr/en\\_article37434.html](https://www.taize.fr/en_article37434.html)

Contribution for participation (15-35 years old) is 50 € for people from Estonia and 30 € for Tallinners.

## PROGRAM

On December 26, 2024, volunteers (inc. Estonians), will arrive to Tallinn to assist with music, small groups, and host community support.

28.12.2024

Welcome in the local community and distribution in host families.  
3:00 PM Gathering in the host community.  
5:30 PM Dinner (a picnic pack will be provided for the next day).  
7:00 PM Evening prayer.  
9:00-10:00 PM Arrival at the accommodation.

29.12.2024

Breakfast in the host family.  
Sunday service in the host community.  
Picnic lunch and going to the center of Tallinn.  
2:30 PM Workshops, presentations, and excursions.  
5:30 PM Dinner (a picnic pack will be provided for the next day).  
7:00 PM Evening prayer.  
9:00-10:00 PM Arrival at the accommodation.

30-31.12.2024

Breakfast in the host family.  
8:30 AM Morning prayers and sharing groups in the host community. Picnic lunch and going to the center of Tallinn.  
1:00 PM Noon prayers in Tallinn central churches.  
2:45 PM (30.12) Workshops, presentations, and excursions. (31.12) regional meetings.  
5:30 PM Dinner (on 30.12, a picnic pack is given for the next day).  
7:00 PM Evening prayer.  
30.12 at 9:00-10:00 PM Arrival at the accommodation.  
31.12 at 11:00 PM Midnight prayer and "Feast of Nations" in the host community. Arrival at the accommodation around 2:00 AM

1.1.2025

Breakfast in the host family.  
New Year's service in the host community.  
Lunch at the host family.  
In the afternoon, departure of the young people.

