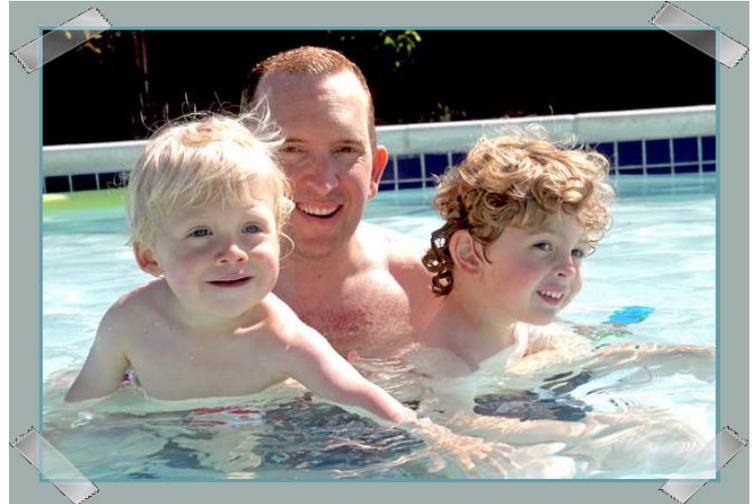


help us!

Bess Mechalas' nephew [Thor Sjostand](#) was recently admitted to Stanford Hospital after being diagnosed with **Acute Myeloid Leukemia, or AML**. This disease is curable but he needs your help in obtaining a bone marrow match which is essential for his recovery. This can be accomplished through a **National Bone Marrow Registry**. Crucial to finding a suitable match, is common ethnicity. Since Thor is equally of **Greek** and Swedish descent, it is essential to register donors with Greek and Northern European backgrounds. Another reason for reaching out to you is that Thor has no siblings who would have been the first to donate.

Bess Mechalas needs your help.



Join Now

If you are between the ages of 18 & 44, patients need you. Doctors choose registry members between 18 & 44 more than 90% of the time. Take the first step today.

JOIN NOW 

The process is especially easy and convenient.

Just click anywhere on this ad or simply go to www.bethematch.org. You can read some great FAQs about how essential it is to become a donor. After filling out a short form, you will be sent a kit which includes directions for taking a sample by *swabbing the inside of your cheek*. Upon returning it, you will be registered. There is also a way of accomplishing this at a site near you, if you prefer to do so in person.

All of us with social media can post this on our Facebook pages. Can you tweet it to your Twitter feed too? His photo is attached for you to repost, or you can repost this public service announcement in its entirety to make a difference.

Please complete the process immediately. Time is of the essence because the search for a match is time consuming. Thor's need for a bone marrow transplant can be very soon. **We especially encourage those in the 18-44 age group.**

Thor is a 38 year old husband and father of two young boys, age 4 and 18 months. He is extremely proud of his Greek heritage, and we reach out to ask you to help and make a difference.

Bess Mechalas is an active Greek Orthodox parishioner in the San Gabriel Valley. She and her husband Dr. Byron Mechalas+ were very active in supporting the church. Bess is an active member of the Southern California Cretans' Association.

He and his family are eternally grateful for your humanitarian assistance. □



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