

February – April 2014

Dear Friends in Christ,

We would like to bring you up to date on the happenings here on the town of Mazara del Vallo these last 3 months.

The first part of February Linda's computer crashed and that was a real disaster because she had all of our documents, email addresses, records and her personal pictures stored. We were thankful that we were able to find a good Computer Repairman that was able to replace the hard drive, but we lost most of the files. Thank the Lord I had some of the email addresses stored in my computer so after working for over a month, we have been able to redo our email contact and address book stored once again in Linda's computer and now she is trying to get back to normal with work on the computer. Thank the Lord she has learned to BACKUP EVERYTHING NOW!!

Some of the dear families in the Church have been through some real trials these past 3 month, but as a Church family, we claimed James 5:16 "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." We have been praying together every Wednesday night asking the Lord to meet every need, and we are seeing the Lord answer many prayers. To God Be The Glory!!

The weekly evangelizing in the Open Air Market has been every prosperous. We are seeing more people interested in receiving Bibles, Gospel Tracts and Booklets. The yearly Gospel Calendars have also been a real blessing to the dear Italians. These calendars have also been a way to get the dear Italians to read some of God's Word daily.

The last 3 months we have seen that all if the evangelizing that has been done is paying off because we have seen a number of people visit the Church services and are continuing to attend the services. We are trusting that the Word of God will speak to their hearts and that the Holy Spirit will do HIS Work and we will see them saved. It takes much prayer on our part not to get in the way of the Lord dealing with them, but show them God's love for them.

April was a special time for our Church family as we looked forward to celebrating Easter. I taught on the last week of the life of Christ and our people learned much about the death, burial and the Resurrection of Christ that they never knew. They had been taught all their lives as Catholics that Christ was crucified on Good Friday and arose from the dead on Sunday not realizing that He had to spend three days and three night in the grave. After teaching them the events that took place according to the Jewish calendar they thank me for teaching them the TRUTH of when Christ died and arose from the dead. April was also the time for Linda and I to renew our Soggiorno (permission to stay in the country) which has to be done every 2 years. All of the documents, visit with the police for fingerprints and pictures, and empty pockets because of the increase in prices for applications have been completed we pray that our permission to stay for another 2 years will be accepted. Please pray that there will be NO PROBLEMS.

Linda will be returning to the States May 16th - June 15th to attend the Graduation of our granddaughter Alex Jordan. She will also spend some time with her sick sister Patricia. Please pray she will have a safe trip and be a blessing to family, friends and our home church, Truth Missionary Baptist. If you would like to contact her while she is there her cellular phone number will be 864-561-4734 and her email address is jordanlinda2010@hotmail.com.

May God richly bless until our next Sicily Newsletter

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