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2022 March Prayer Update



Covid Restrictions

Covid restrictions have still been in place since the beginning of the year. Anyone over 50 had to be vaccinated by February 15th or they couldn't go to work anymore after that date even if they were tested and were negative. Green passes are still being enforced to go into any restaurant, movie theater, gym, or any place that is closed. They even put into place that without a green pass you couldn't go into a store, bank or even the post office! Also green passes were reduced from being valid for 12 months to 9 months and to finally only 6 months unless you got booster and then it was indefinite. Our "state of emergency" is supposed to be concluded by March 31st and starting April 1st green passes will no longer be needed for banks and post offices. PTL! Then Lord willing (unless they change it again) by May

1st all restrictions for masks and green passes should be abolished. Part of it is because all the restrictions hurts the tourism trade.

So please pray that we can be done with all the limitations because it has really taken a toll on the population and the economy.

Trying to get back to "normal"

Even with all the restrictions we have been trying as a church to get back to normal. We still have our chairs separated a meter between them and during the service masks are still required. We have finally decided that starting Sunday April 3rd to have lunch together as a church family. We have invited the representative from Open Doors Ministry who the church has been supporting for years, to come and update us on their ministry.

So please pray that we can start to see some normality come back and that soon we will even be able to put our chairs back like they were.

International Women's Day (Some Normality-finally)

Lori decided to try and hold on March 8th, for International Women's Day, what we have done for years but haven't been able to in 2 years. They started organizing it in February and by the time the date arrived 51 women came to the event of which she figures that about 1/2 were not saved, who had been invited by the church ladies. They ate pizza together from our carry out pizzeria in front of the church and then watched the movie "Overcomer." After the movie there was a discussion time to share the Gospel.



Father's Day March 19th

As soon as the women's event was over, March 19th Saturday was Father's Day in Italy. So Lori suggested doing something for the dads and sons in the church the Friday evening before because some of the ladies (who were not saved) that had come to the ladies evening had mentioned that if there was ever something for the men that they like to have their husbands come. So we started organizing it and last Friday March 18th we had a dad's night for pizza and movie. We had 35 men with 7 of them not saved who came. After the pizza we watched the movie "I Can Only Imagine" based on the life story of Bart Millard from the gospel group Mercy Me. It was the perfect movie to watch as sons and dads. As result some were really touched by it and after the movie had a about a 15 minute discussion time which allowed the time to share the Gospel. One young man was truly touched and Lord willing we are getting together to have a coffee and talk more about salvation.





Collection for Ukraine

With the war that broke out last month between Ukraine and Russia, we are working with two groups that are bringing clothing, food and medical supplies through Romania to Ukraine. One group is called ACP and the other is called Life Share. We have done one collection so far which became 4 complete car loads of material. We gathered it all in the church and brought it to their warehouse about 10 days ago. It was a real encouragement to see how our folks pitched in to help and bring goods for the ukrainian people. Of course we are praying that it will end sooner than later. There are already many refugees in our valley and dispersed throughout Italy.





The Church Transition

Please continue to pray for the church transition. As we mentioned in our last update, the men, continue to do more of the preaching which is a great encouragement to us. Lori is turning over more of the responsibilities to the ladies. So continue to pray especially as we move forward that the church will stay strong and united through this change of ministry leadership. We are having our annual church meeting this coming Friday evening. Besides the 2022 budget we are going to be discussing the future vision of the church. We are also going to planning on naming one elder this fall to start working side by side with Giorgio.

Thank You as always!

We continue to be encouraged to rest in the fact that our Lord is in control of everything and that nothing is a surprise to Him.

We are looking forward to Easter next month to celebrate the truth that today the tomb is empty!! Our Savior defeated our last enemy - death!!

Please know that we constantly pray and thank the Lord for you regularly and for all your part here. God has done and continues to do some amazing things in Italy despite what is going on around us!

Let's continue to be faithful when the moment arrives in sharing Christ with those around us and take every opportunity to spread the Good News especially in these days of continue craziness!!

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