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NEWS FROM ROME (Italy)

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Dear brethren in Christ,
my wife Antonella and I hope to find all of you doing fine. We would like to express our deepest feelings of thankfulness for all you're doing in our behalf. Through your kind fellowship we can preach the gospel also in a pagan city as Rome. We are trying all that we can to bring lost souls to Christ. Our spiritual background does not help at all, being pregnant of human traditionalism and false teachings. We'll do what we can any way, hoping to find good hearts.

PERSONAL NEWS. Thanking to God, we are all doing well. Our grandchildren (Alessandro and Alice) are growing well with the joy of all the family. Our son Paolo is moving from Bologna to Venice, to start the new work for the low cost Aircraft Easy Jet. He already has the new work contract and should start regularly next week. He will be much closer to the churches of Trieste, Monfalcone, or Udine, and so able to attend one of them for the Sunday worship. For this last reason Antonella and I are particularly happy of his decision.

My parents Sandro and Elisabetta (91 and 89) are doing OK. We are all very much grateful to Sandro for his precious work of preaching and translating books developed in so many years of dedication. The brethren are especially happy to see him on Sunday for worship, notwithstanding his age and tiredness. My mother's situation is completely different. She is always on bed, under close daily cares of a nursery, Linda, who is also a member of the church at via Sannio. Without her work and help the situation would be very heavy for Antonella and me.

PREACHING EFFORTS IN ROME. I don't have any changing new about **Alessia**, (32 years old, wife of **Marco Di Martino**). She is still kept in **Foligno** (120 miles from Rome) within a specific structure that works on brain damages and else. The situation remains extremely critical and delicate. Hopes to see any improvement are very few.

The local work at via Sannio is proceeding fine. I'm working on the contacts that we got through last gospel meeting. I should start soon a new Bible class with a young man, Maurizio, who attended to our services since the gospel meeting. He seems to have a good attitude toward study and learn.

I just came back from **Trieste**, where I held a gospel meeting for the church there. Attendance was encouraging, with about 15 new people visiting each night. We also had

people following through the live stream program. The counter signed more than 100. I spoke on the theme: *"Where's God? Why God allows sorrow and tragedies?"*. I tried to speak as simple as possible on a subject particularly deep and delicate. The response seemed good and positive. The brethren appreciated. I hope that they will see soon some good results out of such an effort. The brethren have been nice and hospital and I really enjoyed being around them. I also visited and preached for the **Monfalcone** church, few miles away from Trieste.

The new Bible classes for children are going very well. The teachers, **Angela, Daniela,** and **Patrizia** are doing a great and dedicated service. I oversee the programs giving advices, suggestions and encouraging kids and teachers.

During mid-week Bible class, I'm still teaching from 2 Timothy. On Sunday morning, after the worship, I'm still teaching from the book of Acts. We reached chapter 17. The model of N.T. church is clearly shown chapter by chapter.

Our general average attendance is now about 50, with always a good number of new contacts and visitors.

This coming Saturday, we'll visit the **Ciampino** church to attend their gospel meeting. **Marco di Martino** will preach for the occasion.

VISITORS FROM OTHER CHURCHES. We had the joy to meet several brethren, especially coming from American churches. I'd like to list them. **John & Angela Nickell** (Parkville, MO); **Greg & Debbie Ramsey** (Sterling, VA); **Kyle Ramsey** (Palm Bay, FL); **Ariel Ramsey** (Auburn, AL); **Hayden Ramsey** (Washington DC); **Landon & Kristina Wadley** (Seattle, WA); **Gert & Vanda van Zanten** (Netherland); **Neal & Alyson Kendrick** (Madison, AL). We all thank those brethren for their good example and encouragement.

Thanks again for your fellowship and kind patience. All the brethren in Rome send their best greetings.

Antonella, Valeria & Paolo send their good wishes. God may continue to bless and keep us safe in His kingdom.

"They of Italy salute you".

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