

October 15, 2017

Dear Praying friends,

We praise the Lord for a good furlough. Tom and Angelo finished out the trip with Bible Community Church (Mentor, OH), Harbor Site Baptist Church (Marietta, OH), Westerville Bible Church (Westerville, OH), and Trinity Bible Church (Greer, SC). In the total of 9 weeks, we visited 10 of our supporting churches and 12 of our supporting individuals, as well as visiting family and another church full of friends. We totaled 5,670 miles in the car. Thank you for praying for safety, we had no accidents. We are also thankful for good health and encouraging visits.

We are now all back together in Italy, returning to "normal." The kids' Italian school is in full swing (though the same could not be said for their homeschool).

We are nearly moved into our new apartment (**please note our new address above**). We are only waiting on gas to be turned on before we move the remainder of our things (and us). Hopefully that will happen in the next 2 weeks. We have been enjoying meeting our new neighbors and reconnecting with friends and neighbors we hadn't seen for a while. **Please continue to pray for the salvation of Alberto, Matteo, Chiara, Silvia, Michela, Velia, and others**.

Stephanie enjoyed leading the ladies' Bible study on Tuesday, and we continue to pray for the ladies in our church to make Christ their first priority. **Rina still takes frequent vacations on Sundays** (which means she doesn't come to church), and **Gemma talked to Stephanie Friday about wanting to be baptized, but basically never comes to church** (and only unfaithfully to the ladies' Bible studies). Others have different habits that we feel reveal the low priority they give to God.

We thank God that Simone is to start a new job this week. He hasn't worked a steady job in years though his family needs the income. Please pray for his spiritual needs as well.

Thank you for your prayers! We are delighted to be digging back into the ministry here in Italy.

For the Sake of His Name,

Tom, Stephanie, Daniela, Nino, Angelo, & baby girl

