

THE BOEHMS IN ITALY



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Dear Praying friends,

Our COVID-19 restrictions are finally starting to relax. Last week the government started allowing us to pick which grocery store (in our region) we wanted to go to (big praise!) and allowing us to go for bike rides/walks more than 100 meters from our apartment (Hurray!!!). They also allowed restaurants to begin opening (for carry-out or delivery only). Next week our “non-essential” stores (such as clothing, home goods, etc) will be allowed to open up again. There will be a lot of heavy restrictions for businesses to be open (and for customers who enter), but we are looking forward to this step. This also means that we are allowed to have our first service together again Thursday night the 21st (our prayer meeting has always been Thursday nights). Tom has measured out the chairs to follow the regulations and to match the specific families/individuals who usually attend. We are allowed a maximum of 30 masked people in our building with each family unit being at least a meter apart. There are a number of other regulations (hand sanitizer at the door before entering, masks worn inside, sanitizing the entire building after every use, no passing an offering plate, maintaining distance between people, etc) which make things challenging. This will require a lot of extra work, and it is disheartening to me (stay far apart and masked). **Please pray with us as these restrictions are going to be difficult** (especially for the kids) **and time consuming** (especially for whoever does the sanitizing after every service—Tom will probably have the bulk of that responsibility).

Our new tract (which Sonia, one of our unbelieving neighbors, proofed for us) arrived, and we have been able to give some out. **Please pray that God will soften and open hearts.**

Seems like zoom is running the world these days. Our zoom meetings with our church for worship, prayer, and Bible studies have gone decently well—though a couple of our people have not been able to connect even once, and a few others have only connected once or twice. We have also met with various churches/groups in the States via zoom. In addition, Daniela, Nino, and Angelo have each had 1-to-2-hour zoom meetings Monday through Friday with their school classes. **Please pray for us as we work through the rest of this very chaotic school year** (schools have been closed since March 4 and will continue this way until they close the year out on June 10). I hope to see the teachers in person at the end of the year. **I would like to give them a small gift and a tract.**

Please pray for the economic repercussions that will be very grave in Italy—as in all the world. Please also pray for the salvation of our neighbors, including: Liliana, Chiara, Alberto, Mario, Monaco, Matteo, Martina, Simone, Sonia, e Sandra.

Thank you SO MUCH for your prayers! For the Sake of His Name,

Stephanie (for Tom, Daniela, Nino, Angelo, & Gabriella)

YOU ARE WORTHY...FOR YOU WERE SLAIN, & HAVE REDEEMED US TO GOD...OUT OF EVERY TRIBE & TONGUE & PEOPLE & NATION. REV 5:9