Dear Praying friends,

We are praying that the work on our apartment building (roof, windows, etc) will begin in September. Things may be somewhat chaotic in our building for a while, but we're looking forward to the improvements—particularly before the roof leaks again when weather gets wetter in the fall.

Thank you for praying for my dad's surgery. Things seem to have gone as well as possible, but the doctor is recommending chemo when he has recovered enough to undergo it. I will be making a short trip to visit my family the end of August. I would appreciate prayer that the travel goes smoothly and that the kids and Tom get along without complications in Italy.

Tom's preaching at our friends' church on July 25 went well. Just this week, a man who works at a local coffee bar mentioned to Tom that he had seen him preaching on TV (that church broadcasts their Sunday messages on TV). We pray that all proclamations of God's Word will bear spiritual, lasting fruit.

llario will be preaching at a different missionary's church September 5. One of our ladies will be filling in for me teaching the kids' class—while I am away. Other ladies have said they would be happy to help with the kids. We're thankful for the ways our people are willing and able to serve.

Daniela will be starting 6th grade (BJU Press homeschool) tomorrow (August 16), and the boys will be starting public school (Angelo-grade 3 and Nino-grade 4) September 13. This is the first year there will be no school on Saturdays (they used to go to school every other Saturday). Gabriella will be going to preschool (less than 3 hours a day) starting September 13 as well—to help her learn Italian.

We praise God for generally good health and all of the opportunities we have had with people this month—at the playground, in our home, helping others, working on projects, or just having fun. Please pray that we will have witnessing opportunities through our personal encounters and friendships.

Stephanie for Tom, Daniefa, Mino, Angelo, & Gabriella)

Thank you for your prayers and interest!

For the Sake of His Name.

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