

HOW IS IT POSSIBLE?

We are already at the end of March 2025!

God continues to bless the ministry here in Italy but there are some **prayer** concerns. Some test results suggest prostate cancer which is not unusual at the age of 76. We await the results of my biopsy (NOT A PLEASANT EXPERIENCE). Thank you for **praying**. Rachel is continuing to walk most every day and trying to keep Fred faithful to his pills and diet.

Recently, **Francesca**, a young lady from Naples wrote Rachel asking if she could teach her the Bible on line. She has found no church there with sound doctrine. As a young girl she was saved in our church and was faithfully until her family returned to Naples about 4 hours away. She is very excited about renewing her commitment to the Lord and growing in His Word. The special blessing is that her mom, sister and a friend asked if she would teach them what she learns from Rachel.

Most American Christians have no idea how few Gospel preaching churches there are in Italy. Many of our members drive close to an hour to come to the church never passing another biblical ministry. (That is at the cost of almost \$7.00 a gallon for gas.) Will you **pray** the LORD OF THE HARVEST that He would send forth **laborers** into the harvest field of Italy, Europe and the whole world? Matthew 9:38

The church (Centro Evangelico Battista Perugia on [YouTube](#)) is growing with many visitors, several new members and baptisms coming up in May. Jonathan and Daniel are doing a great job leading the church. Our six deacons are faithful servants.

An urgent **prayer** request is for one of our first deacons. **Nicola** is battling pancreatic and liver cancer. We **pray** for God's peace for his precious wife **Anna** and for the conversion of their two sons.

We are **praying** that God will lead as we seek a **non-missionary pastor** for the church. Many of you prayed for a long time that God would send godly men to our church. He marvelously answered. He will give us a non missionary pastor too. We do not have a Bible school where we could send someone to prepare for ministry but the pastors are doing courses at the church with some of our men.

A local T.V. station that airs our daily program has offered to broadcast our **worship service live** every Sunday, for a price. Please **pray** with us about this opportunity!

The **prison ministry** is being wonderfully blessed. My unsaved friends do not believe me when I tell them that my hour spent there each Thursday is the most exciting one of the week as we study the Word and **pray** together! It is a special blessing to be assisted in that ministry by **Isaac**, whose first contact with the Gospel was a Bible that I took him in response to his

request after seeing our TV program over 30 years ago. He is now a leader in a small evangelical church in his town and shares with me in leading the Bible study for the inmates.

In April we will be taking a short **trip to New York**, thanks to our frequent fliers miles. We will visit Jeremy, Francesca and family as well as our commissioning church in Portville, NY. **Pray** that after a snowless winter in Italy we'll not have to drive in snow in New York State!

We have been blessed to have **Cassandra**, a short term worker from Broadalbin NY, ministering with us for nearly three months. She has worked hard and ministered to the lives of our youth, unsaved contacts, grandchildren and many members. There were tears as she said good by yesterday to the church Below is the picture of most of our folks as they said goodbye. Fred will do his famous two day tour of Rome with her and one of the teens and then take her to the airport on the 4th. **Pray for her flight** home. Daniel and Elizabeth will be sharing an update about the ministry in her church this summer.

May God bless you and yours as we celebrate our Savior's Resurrection in April!

Still yours for Christ in Italy.

Fred and Rachel