

August & September 2020

SENDING CHURCH Five Forks Baptist Church P.O. Box 6 Cedar Grove, N.C. 27231

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BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARY Brandon: 2/26/1979 Kristan: 6/1/1987 Thomas: 8/8/2011 Titus: 7/10/2012 Elisha: 1/26/2014 Anniversary: 6/26/2010 Abigail Grace: <u>5/29/15</u>



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Dear praying friends, What a blessing it is to see people growing in Christ. At the beginning of September, Tullio followed the Lord in believer's baptism at a river in the nearby mountains. What a blessed time it was! Tullio threw away his Catholic religious idols and he continues to faithfully attend weekly soul winning and discipleship classes and is very passionate about the Truth, frustrated because the Catholic "priests" have had the Gospel in their reach for so long, yet never proclaimed it to those who follow the Catholic religion. By God's grace, along with Bro. Pieri, we reached a good bit of East Reggio and the mountain towns of Castlenovo ne'monti, Canossa, Rossena and many other smaller surrounding cities with Italian John and Romans. During that time in the mountains, we went to speak to Buddhists in a town that was given to Tibetan refugees. Sadly, the little Tibetan town had a small temple for Catholics, another temple for Buddhists, and even a place for Hindus to accommodate everyone that may visit. Please pray for those who've received the Gospel to be saved. Thank you for praying for Tullio. Pray he gets rooted and grounded in the Truth and always chooses Christ over

We finished up our summer soul winning class, and at the beginning of September, the ladies' group started a new Bible study on the book of Luke. We thank the Lord for those that continue to join us via Zoom for the Sunday service as well as the weekly Bible study and prayer meeting, although they may not be able to come in person.

The Bible says to give honor to whom honor is due, and we are very thankful for the assistance and fellowship of Bro. and Sister Pieri while they were here in Reggio serving the Lord. What a special couple they are!

Many of you responded to pray with us in our 24 hour prayer vigil and we thank God for you. We look forward to seeing how God will answer your prayers. The last Sunday of September we celebrated the church's 3rd anniversary. Over lunch, we had a blessed time of fellowship which we all cherish in the days of lockdowns.

Please be in prayer for our Mission's Month in October. Lord willing, we will be having one guest preacher each Sunday: two Italian national church planters, Bro. Fausto D'Amelio and Bro. Giuliano Falossi, and Pastor Frank Maietta. Pray that people will surrender to the Lord to follow Him in obedience to fulfill the Great Commission.

Until that glorious day when we meet again,

worldliness each time tribulation comes.

Brandon & Kristan, Thomas, Titus, Elisha, & Abigail Cook

Praises: Tullio's baptism; Freedom to meet for church services; midweek Bible study & prayer meetings. Thomas' 9th birthday; Thomas and Titus both passed their exam at the local school

Prayer Requests: Mission's month; Kristan's sister-in-law Lauren who is having serious health problems; Kristan's Dad who plan to have knee replacement this fall; a dear friend Darrell Cline who is in hospice

