



# THE COOK FAMILY MISSIONARIES TO ITALY

*Teaching Italians to reach Italians and the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

**June & July 2021**

Dear Praying Friends

In June, we had a wonderful time having VBS. All of the church children attended both days as well as some children from the kid's baseball team! Our theme was "Strong in the Lord" from the book of Daniel. We are grateful to God for His working, and for the Keister family and all those who pitched in to help with the VBS.

The internship with Fausto and Maria Pia has been delayed somewhat due to various circumstances with their work situation. Please pray that they will soon be able to make the move up here for 6 months to complete their internship, and then plant the new church.

In July, we were able to make the trip down to Grosseto to assist in their week long VBS: it was a spiritually refreshing time for our family and thoroughly enjoyable for all involved! Being allowed to make this trip after the year and a half long covid restrictions made the trip all the more precious to our family as it has been that long since we have seen our dear friends the Childers family and the Maietta family.

We thank God for Lighthouse Baptist Church in Hartford Alabama and Pastor Aaron Pack for sending our family to assist the Chiesa Biblica Battista di Sardegna (Bible Baptist Church of Sardinia) and the Faulkner family who started the church a little over a year ago. God is doing a great work there. Brandon was able to preach Wednesday evening and we were able to visit with a couple from the church that prayed for 10 years for God to send someone to them to start a Baptist church....and God sent the Faulkners! There was a gentleman in attendance at the service Wednesday evening, with whom Bro. Faulkner has been working for quite some time, who made a profession of faith in Christ after the service. To God be the glory!

We continue to ask for your fervent prayers regarding our housing situation, as our current rental contract expires in less than 6 months. We know God has called us here and has kept us here going on 7 years now, and that He can continue to do so! And we believe He will!! We are praying that God will provide the necessary funds for a home before our permission to stay must be renewed in November. We are keeping a chart to record how God provides: we call it the "God Can" chart. The kids have asked if we can name the house we move into "God Can"! They are excited to see how God has provided and how He will continue to provide the rest of what is needed. We are praying that our children will grow in faith and know that "with God, all things are possible".

**Praises:** VBS in June in Reggio; So many of you have given your hearts to praying for us and giving abundantly toward the house fund; Titus' and Thomas' birthdays; the fruitful trips to Grosseto and Cagliari.

**Prayer Requests:** Fausto and Maria Pia D'Amelio; Pray for church members Marco and Renata moving to Brazil and later to Ann Arbor, Michigan; Pray for a house for us in the Province of Reggio Emilia

Have a sweet walk with the Lord. Find nourishment at His throne.

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

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Abigail Grace: 5/29/15



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