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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
Abigail Grace: 5/29/2015
Anniversary: 6/26/2010



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Dear Fellow Laborers.

Home sweet home! May was super busy with a "marathon" move out of the previous house and into the "God Can" house! Although the owner of the previous house was willing to permit us to stay until the end of July, to avoid the need to pay an extra two months' rent on the house, we chose to move immediately after we closed on the new home. It was a whirlwind to say the least, but praise God for the help of our church family here in Reggio, fellow missionary friends, and neighbors. We were able to move out of the old house, repaint the house we were renting (which is customary here for a renter to do at least once while renting the home), and make some necessary repairs in the new house before we completely moved in on May 31. Whew!...Then we crashed. © God is faithful! Oh, one thing I didn't yet mention...the previous owner had his initials formed out of cast iron on a railing outside of the house, "Dall'aglio Odoardo," "DO," and seeing that that will remain there, we realized that it fits perfectly for the home as it now represents "Dio Onnipotente" (Italian for "Omnipotent God")!

In June, we began unpacking boxes, all while continuing the weekly Bible studies and discipleship classes. This spring, an Italian gentleman began attending the men's Bible study and was seeking to know the truth. He had so many questions and read the Bible, hungry to know more. Then, in June, Nicola trusted Christ as his personal Savior!! You'll get to meet him one day around the throne of God!

The last week of June, a young lady from a supporting church in SC arrived to stay with us for the month of July and to assist in the ministry here. What a tremendous blessing she has been!! She has been playing the Ukulele with our congregational singing, helping in Sunday School, taking part in teaching a Bible study that we recently started with a young Ukrainian lady, and has been serving in so many other ways as well (Kristan and I have even been able to go out on a date or two since she has been here as she offered to watch the children for us!). We are thoroughly enjoying Sierra's time here and thank God for her and her desire to serve the Lord with her life.

Please continue to pray for our church planters, Bro. Fausto and Sis. Maria Pia as they are on deputation in Ireland now and have been in Romania and Italy in many churches. God is at work, and these churches are beginning to support the new church in Foggia, Italy. Please pray for Bro. Fausto's schedule to be full as they are at about 20% of their needed support now. And please pray as we prepare to plant The Light Baptist Church in Foggia, Italy.

Thank you all so very much for your prayers, your faithfulness to the Lord, and the sacrifices that you make as individuals and as a church family so that our family can remain here in Italy: that you may have fruit that may abound to your account for God's glory! All of this is possible because you have let God use you to accomplish His work in this world. May the Lord bless you.

Until that glorious day when we meet again, Brandon & Kristan, Thomas, Titus, Elisha, & Abigail

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Praises: Nicola's salvation!; Moved into the new house; Abigail's 7th birthday; Kristan's birthday; our 12th wedding anniversary; Sierra's arrival in Reggio Emilia