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## **NEWS FROM ROME (Italy)**

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Dear brothers in Christ,

my wife Antonella and I hope to find all of you doing well in God's blessing. We'd like to express our sincere gratefulness for what you're doing in allowing us the privilege to preach the power of the gospel also in Rome, a city with the most concentration of human religious false teachings. In spite of our negative background, we'll continue to do our best to announce God's Will, trying to reach as many as we can to Christ.

**PERSONAL NEWS.** Thanking God, we're doing fine, The COVID situation is getting better and there's an appearance to be back to a sort of "normal" life. A good part of people are under vaccine and so the general picture is quite encouraging. over here is still rather serious. As I wrote in past, my wife and I got the second shot of Pfizer vaccine and so we feel more comfortable about it. A general attention is though required.

Our daughter Valeria and her family are doing OK. Alessandro (6), Alice (5) and Samuele (18 months) are doing well, growing fine in health and understanding. They are the "jewels" of all the family.

Our son Paolo is doing fine. He went back to Venice since the Easy Jet Company is trying to get back to fly. Aircraft traffic will remain slow for some months but important is to have a sort of starting up. Some previsions are still talking of about two years before finding the past business.

CORONAVIRUS SITUATION IN ITALY. The pandemic situation over here is improving, as I said, due to the many vaccines that have been made. We still have some deaths per day, but in the dozens range. Nothing to compare to the hundreds of past months. We have more openings, less restrictions, few lock downs, but the situation requires identic attention and carefulness.

Also the economic situation is giving signs of growth, in many areas of productivity. Also in this context, patience and attention are required.

LOCAL PREACHING ACTIVITY. The local work is continuing fine, in the present situation. We are back to use our meeting place for meetings and individual activities, and we're glad to have the opportunity to see each other face to face. There're some brethren, especially among the old ones, that are still meeting online, but the situation is much better in comparison to the past. We can't receive all the brethren, having to maintain distances and security prescriptions by law. We can host up to 22 people at a time. We

still have some visitors that attend almost regularly to the services, and this is encouraging for all of us.

Through Zoom, I'm keeping on the weekly personal studying's with Gianluca, Stefania, Maurizio, Michel, Luca. I'm really happy to see their spiritual growing in the local initiatives and activities.

They will surely be the next generation of Christians over here, and they must be aware and prepared to accept all the challenges that the preaching of the gospel in this Country demands.

On Thursday evening mid-week Bible class, I concluded the study of Galatians and just begun the teaching of the book of Ephesians. We reached chapter five. At the end of it will continue the reading and comment of the book of Philippians.

Our general attendance is about 45.

I close now, hoping and praying that we may continue to appreciate more and more all the blessings that we share in Christ.

Thanks again for your fundamental fellowship in such a work. All the brethren in Rome send their best love and greetings.

Antonella, Valeria and Paolo send their good wishes. God may continue to bless and keep us safe in His kingdom. Be safe and stay well in Him.

"They of Italy salute you".

Stefano Corazza