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NEWS FROM ROME (Italy)

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Dear brothers in Christ,
my wife Antonella and I wish to find each one of you doing fine in all material and spiritual blessings. We would like once more to express our sincere feelings of gratefulness for everything that you are making to allow us the preaching of the gospel also in a city as Rome, so badly ruled by Bible ignorance, human traditions, and false teachings. However, we'll be doing what we can to spread out the Word, hoping to reach as many as possible to the Lord. Without your fellowship and efforts, all this would be impossible.

PERSONAL NEWS. I'm doing well, thanking God. I'm back to my daily life, even if I must keep regularly controls and medical checks along the year. I'm getting used to such a routine.

Our daughter Valeria and her family are doing just fine. Our three grandchildren (Alessandro 8 years, Alice 6, Samuele 3) are doing pretty good, busy with their school and sport activities. We try to help Valeria in keeping them and share some duties, but it's a great pleasure for us. No complains at all!

Our son Paolo is also doing fine. He's very busy with his job in Milan and things are going well.

LOCAL PREACHING ACTIVITY. Our local preaching work is also going fine. We're busy in our schedules and regular teaching programs, trying to do what we can to edify the congregation and maintaining our unity and cohesion. Without such a unity, all our preaching efforts would be useless and vain.

Marco Di Martino is also part of our congregation. The work at Ciampino, that we all started with him some seven years ago, closed definitively. Some internal problems and surely Marco's wife (Alessia) situation made difficult the keeping on of that project. Now they are all back among us, hoping to bring good fruit to the Lord, in this new context.

I'm very much involved in my weekly personal Bible studies program with Maurizio, Michel, Luca, Clelia, Paoliana, Pierpaolo, Amedeo. To them, I'm adding Jonathan (Luigi's older brother), Aylina (Jonathan's girlfriend) and Bryan (Jonathan's younger brother) to this teaching program. I will study with Bryan on Monday afternoon, and with Jonathan and Aylina on Saturday morning. They attend regularly to our worship services but need to know and understand many things yet. However their attitude seems very good and

positive and I'm really happy of their involving. They are eager to know and willing to change their style of living.

Grazia, our new Christian sister, is doing well. She is a good and serious woman, willing to respect God's will and ready to be an encouragement for the brethren. She lost her husband (Massimo) last month, after few months from his conversion. She's still in a delicate and sensitive moment and we are all around her trying to help in what we can.

Our brother Michel is still working in Lion (France); we hope to see him back among us between March or April. He joins us through Zoom every week.

I'm always working on the children's Bible classes, training the young members to be involved in the regular teaching. By different ages level, we have 9 young ones to distribute in different classes.

On Thursday evening, I finished the comments of the 1st letter of Peter, and started the introduction to his 2nd letter. On Sunday, after the worship, I started the teaching of the book of Hebrews, a fundamental book to understand the difference between old and new testament.

Our general attendance runs around 45 (including those brethren that still join us from home through Zoom).

TEACHING PROGRAM

SERMONS PRESENTED IN ROME

January 15, h. 10 AM: *"Humbleness"*

January 22, h. 10 AM: *"Jesus' prayer for unity (John 17)"*

January 29, h. 10 AM: *"Nehemiah: 5 mistakes to avoid in rebuilding God's temple (Neh. 5:1-13)"*

February 5, 2023, h. 10 AM: Preaching of brother Amedeo on *"Brotherly love"*

WEEKLY BIBLE CLASSES

With Maurizio > each Friday h. 2.30 PM: *"Minor prophets"*.

With Clelia > each Saturday h. 12 AM: *"The gospel of Luke"*.

With Luca > each Tuesday h. 7 PM: *"Isaiah"*

With Michel > each Friday h. 6 PM: *"Work of the preacher"*

With Paoliana > each Wednesday h. 6 PM: *"Gospel of John"*

With Pierpaolo > each Thursday h. 12 AM: "Ephesians"

With Amedeo > each Monday h. 8 PM: "Old Testament Survey"

With Jonathan and Ayline > each Saturday h. 10 AM: "Old Testament survey"

With Bryan > each Monday at 2 PM: "Introduction to the Bible text"

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Thanks again for your patient fellowship in this work. All the brethren in Rome salute you and send their best love and greetings.

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

"They of Italy salute you".

Stefano Corazza