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NEWS FROM ROME (Italy)

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Dear brethren in the Lord,

my family and I hope to find all of you doing fine in every spiritual blessing. We'd like to express our sincere gratefulness for the opportunity that we have to be in fellowship with you all in the preaching of the gospel in Rome. We are trying to use God's talents gave to us in reaching as many as possible to the Lord. The nature of this work is so hard and delicate that we badly need your prayers, thoughts, patience, generosity.

PERSONAL NEWS. Thanking God, we are all doing fine. **Valeria** (24) and **Paolo** (23) are busy with their jobs and both are growing in Bible knowledge and congregational responsibilities. Paolo is doing a nice job in the leading of songs.

About my father in law, **Rodolfo Berdini** (84 years old), he's still in a long and suffering recovering. He's still very so weak and feeble to hardly be able to walk and be autonomous. As you can figure it out, my wife Antonella (and her sister Rosanna) are under heavy pressure trying to do what they can to give the necessary assistance. We ask for your prayers and thoughts.

My parents **Sandro** and **Elisabetta** are doing fairly well, considering their age and physical problems.

My father is still working very hard to his translating work. He already translated and printed several N.T. commentaries, so useful and important for the growth of Christians in this Country.

PREACHING IN ROME. The local work at via Sannio is doing fine. We have good contacts to take care of. **Ivano** (a friend of our brother Amedeo) is studying with me the Bible weekly and seems to have a good attitude toward it. Also **Paoeliana** (28 years old, sister of Amedeo) is attending our services showing good interest. She was in my home with her husband and we had a good time together. She's a nice young girl and we hope to help her to find the right way to the Lord.

Marco Soranno (a former member of a liberal church in Rome) decided to place membership with us. He's a young man with a fine knowledge of the Scriptures. He was

disappointed with the liberal attitude of some churches he attended and is appreciating our faithfulness to the NT standard. He's doing his best to adjust himself to our group.

Our attendance is about 33 on Sunday and 18 on Thursday mid-week class. My father and I exchange the teaching of classes and sermons, while the college student class is studying the book of "Galatians".

We are planning next Gospel meeting and other initiatives to preach the gospel in our location. We hope to be able to accomplish the projects we're making.

Last Sunday service we had several visitors, relatives of Amedeo. He invited them since he was scheduled to deliver the Sunday sermon. So we met with five new people with whom we hope to continue to study the Bible. Some of them attend a liberal church in Aprilia (40 miles from Rome).

PREACHING IN ANZIO. This preaching opportunity is going just fine. Every Tuesday afternoon (from 5 to 7.30 PM) I preach for this small church of **Anzio**. The brethren here are improving in knowledge of the Bible and are beginning to take their stand for Truth in front of those who are blaming them for having invited me to preach among them. They are still under pressure but seems to have courage and love for Truth. We'll see.

The Saints in Rome send their greetings, thanking you for the opportunity given me to preach the gospel among them. Your trust and patience are greatly appreciated.

Antonella, Valeria and Paolo send their love and gratefulness.

"They of Italy salute you".

Stefano Corazza