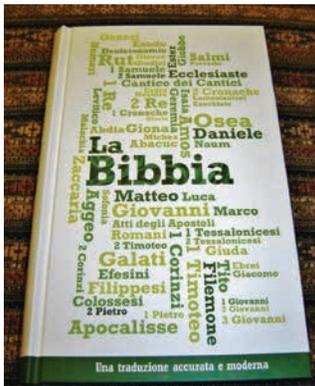




A New Start in the New Year!

Language study

In October, we started formal Italian lessons over Skype with an excellent teacher in Chicago, IL. We discovered very quickly the similarities between Italian and Romanian, allowing us to “hit the ground running” with language learning. It’s exciting and humbling to begin again with a new language. Exciting because we can do it together; humbling because we have so much to say but are increasingly aware of our limited means of expressing ourselves in Italian ... Learning language builds character! Pray for us!



Connecting with local and national leaders

We are mindful in this season of “landing” in Italy to keep the main thing the main thing. God loves this country and this continent deeply and with abandon. We desire to serve God in this place by offering ourselves to God’s people in expressions of care and formation that will build up the Body of Christ and generate a transformed people. We are thankful for the Italian leaders with whom God has already connected us. Studying God’s Word and worshiping together in their beautiful language (the language of singing) is a blessing to us! Please join us in praying for these leaders by name: Giacomo Ciccome and Carine Francq, Calogero Sorce, and Andrea and Aida Anaiga.

Cultural adaptation

As you can imagine by the image of “focaccia with pesto and cheese,” cultural adaptation in Italy is a delicious and satisfying experience for the senses. We are discovering new ways to love our new home every day. Our prayers for the people, places, and stories of Italy, especially Genoa, grow deeper with every new experience. God is at work here, in us and around us!



For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, and whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

Happy New Year to all!

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