

Peppo and Jane Biscarini serving in Italy**DINNER FOR TWO?... NO, 153 PLEASE!**

What a roller coaster...preparing for our first Dinner event has been like looking at an EKG, but what an experience! I went from delivering prosecco to the dock of the hotel to dealing with the Vatican diplomatic corps, from setting up the flower arrangements to meeting with the US Ambassador to shape the structure of the speech, from addressing and mailing the invitations to negotiating rates with the Grand Hotel (venue for the event) and on and on. Some last minute glitches seemed to put a big dent into the flow of the event, but nonetheless the guests did not notice the stress "behind the scene" and the Lord truly orchestrated it for all of us. Mr. Tony Hall transitioned well from his life BC to life AC. Since he did not feel comfortable to offer the sin-

**ISABELLA PREPARING THE COMMENT CARDS**

ners' prayer at the end of his speech, I closed talking about a banquet even more important than the one we were attending....and transitioned into the prayer. We had comment cards at each table that the guests filled out so to monitor the decisions and feedback. At 00:35 we tallied the responses: **41** first time prayers of acceptance for Jesus as Savior, **19** wanted to know more about a personal relationship with Him, **15** were interested in a Bible study and **5** requested Bibles. In a country where "exciting growth" is measured by single digit additions, this percentage over the 153 guests that attended is HUGE. **Praise God** for His harvest and for His faithfulness. **Praise God** for people like you that believe in missionary work and help us stay on the field. **Praise God** for the vision of the underwriter of the event.

LATEST HAPPENINGS:

On February 24-26 we had our very first retreat with the Thursday study group. Jane did a great job as a hostess preparing welcome baskets for everyone with

**AT THE TABLE WITH AMBASSADOR HALL
(BETWEEN JANE AND ME)****INTRODUCING MY HALF!**

chocolate, candles, scripture booklet, note books, highlighters, pens and folders; she is a good host. The theme was based on Eph 3: 14-21 (that was my desire towards them)

**WITH PAOLA AND ENNIO IN
FRONT OF THE MARQUEE**

and we scheduled a total of 11 hours between Friday evening and Sunday lunch. The messages were like building blocks starting with Did you open your heart and receive Christ as Lord and Savior? Who are you? What is faith? Why do you call me Lord and do not obey? Holy Spirit (2 parts) and open table. One of the attendees who went to Catholic theological University told me after the first day: "Peppo I will continue to come to the Thursday meetings, but no more of these

retreats; you are digging too deep into the heart of people....it hurts! We never did anything like it in my former studies". Well at the end of the retreat she was asking us when we would have another one!

ITALY'S YOUTH??

Two weeks ago one of the adopted daughters of Ennio and Paola (17 yrs of age) read the Power For Living book and was interested in trying to gather some people in her school for discussions on the Bible. I met with the three of them yesterday and she told me the school environment is so bad, students smoke joints in class during lecture, teachers take cell calls, respect between students and faculty is non existent and any remarks for purity, justice and morality is ridiculed immediately by the class.....I spoke for an hour about the definition of a true Christian. As I outlined a short plan of discipleship for her and prayed with her, she cried profusely. The Lord will open a great door there.

THE THURSDAY'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP



MGR: More Grace Required....we need an extra dose of grace to love these Romans. Recently Jane called me to say that a guy on a motorcycle passed her and proceeded very slowly in front of her. She passed him and he pass her again while slamming her rearview mirror. He then followed her to the light yelled at her, opened her car door and spat at her...!



THE FRIDAY NIGHT HOME FELLOWSHIP COUPLES AT THE DINNER

PRAYER REQUESTS

- We are considering enrolling Marco to an American High School in Germany (run by missionaries for missionary's kids).
- Pray for our endurance in the midst of false accusations, spitting, high cost of living, persecutions. The Lord is doing a marvelous job and we intend to see it secured.
- Pray for the training of new disciples that will be able to continue what we started (Paola,

- Ennio, Fabrizio, Steve, Hellen).
- Pray for new housing (we will need to move in August as our contract is over and the Landlord will move into the house)
- Pray for continued favor with the people and not skepticism or fear of a sectarian movement.

We Love you

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