

VIA VERITAS

THE WAY OF TRUTH



A MESSAGE FROM THE BISCARINI'S: *WATCH YOUR STEPS!*

Though some of you have read the story on one of the emails I just wanted to give a quick synopsis for those who have not heard...

Nadir is loosening up...



This summer we were guests of Nadir and Federica (he is a non believer and former head of European equities for Morgan Stanley; she is a nominal Catholic) at their home in Sardinia. On the way there the kids, Jane and I prayed the Lord would open Nadir's eyes to the Truth. We arrived at dinner, and right after, we had a chance to talk about some of the changes that occurred in Nadir's life. I was presently surprised to hear him say that he wanted to buy a Bible and learn how to develop his faith. Amazing and immediate answer to prayer! As I was sharing some scriptures relating to his condition I could feel the enemy's activity in the background with the kids becoming louder and louder creating distractions. Nadir at one point became teary eyed (his wife told me later he never saw him crying before). Then suddenly it happened...As I was sharing the story of the paraplegic being lowered **through** the roof of a

house, I could see Nadir and Federica's attention mounting. Suddenly we were interrupted by a chilling "boom" like dishes followed by a faint lament. As we arrived in the bedroom, Isabella was lying on the floor in shock, her face very pale, her arms open as Christ on the cross. She just jumped **through** the skylight and landed on the tile floor, just like the paralytic. The distance of the fall could have easily resulted in a fatality, yet miraculously, she did not break any bones, she did not hit her head on the counter's edge, she did not slash her brachial arteries, she only suffered surface wounds in her arms and legs. Even the doctor at the emergency room was amazed by the story and its outcome. Needless to say both Nadir and Federica were stunned by the "miracle" and said: "tell us in advance what tomorrow's parable will be, so that we can prepare for it...!"

I am staying in touch with Nadir and Federica who are now reading from a Daily Bible. -Praise God.-



Divine intervention

UPDATE:

The new 09-10 season is upon us. We resumed the men's study on the 7th of Sept though some of the

guys were still out for summer holidays. There was a growing anticipation from those already in the

city who wanted to start immediately.....what a blessing to see the eagerness for fellowship. These businessmen confessed that the void left by the lack of summer's mtgs made them dishoriented and easier prey for the attacks of the enemy. Maurizio, tonight came in frustrated, boisterous, upset at God...we have not seen him in 2.5 months because his schedule has taken him more and more to Milano. As he voiced his frustration towards God, Max interjected and shared his similar walk a year ago. God had to strip him of many things and as he learned to let go at each challenge, he started to

notice how God was turning to blessings something the enemy meant for destruction. What a refreshing site to see this disciple pour out to another hope, perseverance and finally offering prayer for Maurizio! This is the essence of what missionary life should be...seeing Christ's legacy lived and passed on. BTW, Maurizio is committed to gather a similar group in Milano for me to lead (please pray this would be the right decision in the midts of so many other plans). Jane's BSF will resume **Sept 28**. The larger study will resume on **Oct 1st**



NEEDS:

We want to say "thank you" to all of you who have tangibly helped making all these activities possible. Though our support has been consistent even in these ailing financial times, the exchange rate has finally eroded our reserve. For the first time since we have been in ministry (Dec 2000) we have gone in the red and need to make up a \$21,000 budget deficit by mid November to avoid moving back to the States for support raising. We need to work towards raising local support, but for now we feel like Paul in 2 Cor. 11: 8-9. *I robbed other churches by accepting support from them in order to serve you. And when I was with you and was in want, I did not burden any one, for my needs were supplied by the brethren who came from Macedonia. So I refrained and will refrain from burdening you in any way.* We stand firm with you believing that the God of the impossible will always find ways to make sure His kingdom advances until the return of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

We are excited about a satellite study in Milano, a new young couples' study in Roma and the launch of YL activities. The 14 to 55 yrs range is more pliable than the 52 to 83 group (though we want to catch them before their final journey!!). We are now planning for the first youth event (BBQ and wild games at the Biscarini compound) for **Oct 17**. Lord willing we will host 25-30 unchurched kids for a time of fun and reflection. The idea is to offer them a nurturing environment where they can find answers, love, directions and strength. Please pray this event will result in an ongoing weekly get-together.



Marco as a flag bearer (Italy) at the opening ceremony for the school year

love you Peppo and Jane

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