

# VIA VERITAS

THE WAY OF TRUTH

## From the heart:

As we are writing this update our kids are sharing the same couch with us! To many of you it may seem very normal, but to us it is a **rare and wonderful experience!** This is one of the crosses we bear for the sake of pouring into the lives of others here in Italy (physical separation from Marco and Isabella). Seeing so many **broken families** even in southern Italy, where family unity used to be so strong, makes me realize how powerfully the enemy has worked here in the last decade. It does not have to continue this way and as we regain the ground the enemy has taken, the attacks intensify. Our recent transition to a 501c3 has been full of challenges resulting in a drop of 35% of the funds we had available last year. However, we do not lose heart knowing full well that He never let us down once in the past 12 years of ministry. Thus we are even more **grateful** for those of you that endured through this period and made it possible for us to make a **new breach** for the Gospel in **Southern Italy**. May the Lord bless you mightily in every area of your life during this coming 2013!

## Update:

We are still adjusting to Manfredonia though we miss some of the sophistication and cultural surroundings of Rome. People here are much simpler and open to the Gospel; however, traditions and **ignorance** keep some at a distance from us (everything non Catholic is regarded as cultic). The youth is very disrespectful towards the parents, unmotivated to do anything and **male chauvinism and sluggish work ethics are nauseating...** we have our work cut out! We started a

## Manuela. new sister in Christ- Rome



couple's study a month ago and it is riveting to see how the attendees are eager to invite their friends to participate. The groups in Rome are still going strong. We have committed to be

there once a month to support them in their transition, but they are already doing well on their own, I am so proud of them. On our last meeting there **Manuela** gave her heart to Christ. A few days ago also **Floriana** (one of the couple's study attendees) in Manfredonia opened her heart to the

## A Message from the Biscarini's:

**"And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands."** (2 John 6)



Lord. Thus since October we have seen **Pietro, Antonella, Domenico, Rosa, Manuela, Floriana** come to Christ...!

What a blessed beginning and I am convinced many more

are on the verge. As Bill Bright, founder of Campus crusade, used to say **Talk to God about people before you talk to people**



**Floriana (R), new sister in Christ - Manfredonia**

**about God.** Therefore, I would like for you to join with us in prayer for Romina, Ida, Ennio, Alessandro, Nicola, Annamaria, Matteo, Francesca and some of the youth: Daniela, Matteo, Francesca, Claudio, Chiara, Egedia, Nicola, Carmela, and Giorgia which have yet to make a commitment.

## Jane's corner:

What happens when we do what God wants? He blesses and makes things happen. We have certainly been blessed since we moved to Manfredonia. Even our **Rome groups** are blessing us as they are growing spiritually even more now that we left! They miss us and Peppo's teaching, but they are **relying more and more on God's word**. We have been able to visit the group 3 times since we moved. On the Manfredonia side we are pleasantly surprised on how God is moving through us so quickly

## YL helpers, cleaning prior to general meeting





**Phoebe and Jane greeting at Church service**

drawing new disciples and believers who show up regularly! **What took 3 years in Rome is already happening here!** We have a great

Young Life group (complete with two mature 20-something leaders) and kids excited to come! Marco was even impressed by the maturity of our Italian youth leaders. Peppo is having to be **“father” for some of the boys** as there are so many broken homes with moms that only know

**Our church at Antonella’s Music Academy studio**



permissive parenting. I have had to step in to **love on a girl whose mother chooses the boyfriend** (lives with him) over her kids and the dad who comes home at 11 at night. We are both challenged to teach Godly parenting here, but need to choose our battles.

Then we have the weekly couples’ group with 5 couples and a single agnostic who is searching and likes to be with us. **Church is also happening every Sunday now** (3 services in a row)! I believe God was training us for this in Rome all along! We, have our English/American friend and English teacher, **Phoebe**, helping us as well (you recall from the newsletter how we met her through an email contact and she came to visit us in Rome and Manfredonia then decided to move here with us to bring God’s love to the locals). Well, she is quite the networker and everybody seems to know and love her; she is a true evangelist.

**Praises:**

Besides the new additions to God’s family, we were blessed to use **Domenico and Antonella** in a TV special that aired to more than **400 million Muslims and Hindu** in India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Afghanistan on December 25. An Indian pastor that wanted

to meet last year decided to do a Christmas special in Italy and since we moved to Manfredonia I brought him here to shoot with the two opera singers. It was very intense work for a week, but very rewarding for all of us (the director has shot more than 40 movies like *Hunt for Red October*, *Hot Shots*, and *The Ultimate Gift*). We trust the Lord will also open a door for Domenico in India since he is in a tight financial bind and with a mother comatose for the past 10 years.



**Shooting behind our home in a 1400 years old church!**

Please continue to pray for full recovery from laryngospasm (dry drowning) that has been afflicting me. Praise God they are no longer as intense, but they still happen in a milder form.

Those who have not been in tune with our changes, please make sure you look at our site [www.viaveritas.org](http://www.viaveritas.org).

Also take note of the email change [pbiscarini@gmail.com](mailto:pbiscarini@gmail.com) as I dropped my previous email over 8 months ago. Also Jane will be sending electronic updates via a new format so make sure that her address is allowed on your box as well: [jbiscarini@gmail.com](mailto:jbiscarini@gmail.com). Thanks.

**“Never let the things you want 'cause you to lose sight of the things you have”.**

**Have a fantastic 2013 under His protection and blessings as you walk in obedience to His commands!**

**We love you all.** *Peppo and Jane*

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