

Dear & partners of the
friends **&** ministry,

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”

- Romans 8:28

We have our plans, our time table our desires and too many times we tell God we trust in Him, our lives are His, His will be done, but only if it fits into how I think or want!

This update is just that, an update and a reminder to all of you who are our faithful supporters and our prayer warriors. Our reminder is the reason why Act Now Ministries (ANM) was established 4 years ago. To act on the opportunities that are happening today – the influx of African refugee’s – the discipleship training for the old and new believers both Italian and African. To remind you to pray for the country of Italy, especially for the island of Sicily. Where the unbeliever, the unchurched of the population, still out numbers Christ’s followers. The Italian and African churches are growing and moving forward, and in some instances actually physically moving across country to meet the needs of the people. Faith in action.

Our update:

Last fall Giuseppe was burdened to begin the tasking of translating from English to Italian a study on the “Whole Armor of God” (Ephesians 6:10-17) and at the same time ANM’s partner, “The Timothy Initiative” sent Giuseppe materials in English to translate into Italian to us in the churches in Sicily and Sardinia. Basically, it is discipleship 101. You train and educate 5 and they in turn do the same, train and educate 5. The purpose is to introduce the man on the street to believe in Christ and how to become a disciple of Christ. Both of these tasks are time consuming and require much reading to interpret the words properly so as not to lose the meaning of the context.

God has made a way for both of the translations that need to be done. A dear sister in Christ, who resides in Sicily, has offered to do the translation for the Timothy Initiative Materials, which is a God send because of a group of men from Michigan are planning to make a trip to Sardinia to begin the Timothy Initiative. Giuseppe is able to focus on translating Ephesians 6:10-17 for study of the Whole Armor of God scripture.

Two major items have occurred in the past month, one was Giuseppe arrived at the airport to depart for Italy when the airline refused to let him fly due to his passport was set to expire within 6 months. Italy law requires visiting passports must be valid for

six months beyond their listed travel dates. Giuseppe rushed to get his passport extended and set another flight to depart on, with this taken care of and Giuseppe set to leave within a week, the Coronavirus began to spread out of China and Giuseppe sought the wisdom of his family and friends concerning his travel and stay in Italy. Giuseppe chose to stay home in Michigan until the end of March (currently) pending the spread of the virus and safety of his well-being.

Giuseppe will take this time in Michigan to address some issues with the paperwork of ANM, there is filing with the IRS which needs to be completed, and documentation to be submitted to maintain their 501 (c) 3 status. Tax season is upon us and having him home to complete these is a God send instead of handling these issues by mail and long-distance phone calls.

Please be in prayer for Him, his heart is to be in Italy and serve the people of Sicily, with the most recent news of Covid-19 spreading rapidly we once again thank God for wisdom and guidance provided to Giuseppe encouraging him to stay. We continue to reach one more every day, our prayers are for those who are lost, and for you and your families as well. We encourage you to pray for those who are lost, that Giuseppe would have the opportunity to speak with them and they would hear the knock-on door and invite our Lord and Savior in to their hearts.

We are deeply grateful to you for your prayers and support, may God continue to bless you and use you to multiply the Kingdom of God.

Yours in Christ,

Giuseppe and Pennie Collesano

Ciao for now.

As always: Let’s go fishing (really) for one more.

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