

He healeth the broken in heart,
and bindeth up their wounds.
Great is our Lord, and of great power;
his understanding is infinite.
Psalm 147:3,5



TRACKING THEM DOWN ONE BY ONE. In our last letter, we told you we were going to the highways and byways of Italy, to reach the unreached on Internet. The Lord did not send us the funds necessary to hire professional web artists to prepare us the pages we had planned nor to apply their arts to making our pages known. So, we headed for the free pages in which it is possible to make the Word available, and God has blessed.

“BLOGS” ARE MESSAGES WHICH ANYONE can write and put out on internet. Of course, no one can guarantee that anyone will find them or read them. Maria Teresa and Bill each have one, and in their first month have reached over 1000 contacts, who have read an average of 2 or 3 messages that they have written, for a total of nearly three thousand messages read.

THEY HAVE HAD READERS FROM 14 COUNTRIES. Italy is at the top of the first five, then Albania, Switzerland, the USA and Germany. And there have been readers from Sweden, Brazil, the UK, El Salvador, Israel, Spain, Malaysia, Peru and Finland.

ONE OF OUR CHURCH YOUNG PEOPLE SUGGESTED USING “FACEBOOK”. These are free pages which are used for contacting others, and are often considered junk for teen-agers (though President Obama reached thousands of financial supporters this way). So, Maria Teresa and Bill each have a page, where their “blogs” can be read as well. Plus, the same young man set up a Facebook page called “Bibbia” (Bible) and nearly 2000 young people have declared themselves “fans” (34% between the ages of 18-24), so I am able to send regular biblical “thought-starters” to all of them once or twice a week, and have already had conversations with a Seventh Day Adventist missionary and a priest.

MEANWHILE, MARIA TERESA IS HELPING A LADY (BY PHONE) whose husband (deacon in an Italian church) is brutally abusive verbally and physically, and whose pastor told her she should show patience! And Bill prays by phone with a Christian man whose wife moved in with a non-believer, taking their 3 children with her.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR US AND FOR OUR FINANCIAL NEEDS which the Lord will surely meet as He sees wise. Besides our ministry through our literature ministry and the Church, our spring is filling with invitations. Here are some items for prayer:

Feb. 21,22 A weekend for young people on the subject of engagement

March 9,10,11 Maria Teresa in a women's retreat in southern Italy.

March 14,15 Both speaking in a conference in a church near Milano.

March 29,30,31 Both speaking in a conference for couples in Foggia

God is our strength, our helper, our life and our light. How wonderful it is to serve Him and know He is at our side.

AND YOU SUSTAIN US WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT so that our needs are met day by day. I (Bill) stumbled on an uneven sidewalk, and fell on my face, with a hairline fracture in my right arm. That was a month ago, and I had to stop driving, but am back on top of the situation now, and your prayers kept us going.