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Church-planting missionaries to Italy

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Dear praying friends and supporters,

This has been a wonderful summer for our family and we are looking forward to a busy schedule in the fall. A new season is beginning for our deputation as we approach completing our first full year of traveling. We are excited with the level of support we have been given during the short amount of time we have been traveling.

Over the next three months we will be traveling from one end of the country to the other, presenting our ministry in ten different states! We'll visit Oregon, Nevada, Georgia, Ohio and Michigan to name a few. It is exciting that God has opened doors for us to minister all over America. As you can imagine, these three months are very important ones. We are praying that at each of these meetings God will do something mighty, and that these churches will share our vision for reaching Italy with the gospel and that they will desire to partner with us. Friends, please pray specifically for this.

Recently I had the opportunity to talk with a friend who had just returned from a missions trip to Italy. As we talked, he recounted a day where he was giving out Bibles at a local high school in Italy. When he handed out the Bibles, many rejected them, some students ripped them up, others threw them and one student set the Bible on fire right in front of him! Please pray for Italy and for our family as we endeavor to raise the necessary support to get to the field and start evangelizing these souls.

This month we covet your prayers for:

- *Many churches to partner with us over next three months*
- *People to make life-changing commitments as Michael preaches in churches*
- *Growth in our understanding as we learn Italian*

Constrained by His love,

Michael & Erika Barone