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JUDE 22 AND OF SOME HAVE COMPASSION, MAKING A DIFFERENCE



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Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

This past Sunday, as a church, we had the opportunity to observe both church ordinances. In the morning service I preached on the 2 ordinances of the local church. I explained them both in great detail, but because of the many different church backgrounds of people who come to our church I would also answer any questions they had pertaining to the ordinances. After the morning service we had lunch together and then we drove down to the river to conduct the baptism service. It is a spring fed river, therefore, it is very clean but also very, very cold, as it is all year round. The area of the river that we can access is in a public area. There were some Italian onlookers watching the baptism. After I baptized a young man, he walked up out of the water and one of the onlookers, who was an Italian man, shook the young man's hand and congratulated him in Italian. We do have a portable baptismal at church, and I would have rather used it because it is a lot more convenient and much warmer, but considering the great testimony it is for the Italians to see a real baptism, we can endure the cold water. This is something that the Italians may have seen only on TV or in a movie. Although very, very, cold and inconvenient I will encourage all of our candidates for baptism to be baptized down at the river. We will bring tracts and answer questions about the baptism to the lost Italians.

A couple weeks ago we had our first Old Fashioned Sunday and a big Old Fashioned picnic afterward. Also on that Sunday we had our first Italian visitors come to church. One of the newest couples in our church, who are friends with them, had invited them to come to Old Fashioned Sunday. The Italian husband spoke very good English. His wife and two children did not speak any English. As I was preaching, the husband interpreted for me and explain to his wife what I was saying. Of course I explained the plan of salvation in great detail. They all stayed and had lunch with us. They are Catholic, but both said they loved the service and had never experienced a church service like that ever before. Well, it was Old Fashioned Sunday, and that was the way I preached that Sunday. I was talking to the Italian wife and I explained to her that I don't normally stand on chairs and that sort of thing. She said to me, "Well I was thinking to myself, "Mama Mia!!!", and then we both laughed. We hope to see them again soon and have many more Italians come to our services.

Please continue to pray for our family as we are going through a time of bereavement from the passing of my mom. Pray for Lou Anne and I to learn Italian so I can witness and I can preach in Italian. Also please continue to pray for our troops and their families there is a lot of unrest in the world but also in our military at this time.

In Christ,

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