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JUDE 22 AND OF SOME HAVE COMPASSION, MAKING A DIFFERENCE

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Psalms 37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

It is hard to believe that Lou Anne and I have been in Italy for over 2 months now. There are so many wonderful things that happened in March there no way I could fit them all on this page.

One of the men in our church, Rodney, wrote a poem that gave glory to God. The name of the poem is, "God not Race". The Air Force base was having an art and talent show for Women's history month and Rodney entered to read his poem during the show. Rodney invited our church folks to attend the show. Lou Anne and I went to the show, and it was amazing. Not the show but the poem and the people we met. General Norman, (who is the General over the whole base), got up and opened the festivities. Rodney was not scheduled to read his poem until about the middle of the show. During an intermission, I walked up to the General and introduce myself, Lou Anne, Rodney and his wife. We talked for about 10 minutes which, during that time the General seemed to really enjoy our company. I explained that I was a retired Navy Chief and he told me that his father is a retired Navy Chief as well. We talked about Mayport, where I started our last church, and he told me his father was stationed in Mayport years ago. Well, we connected. I told him that I was now pastoring a military church which some of his troops attended. Again he seemed very interested. Intermission was now over and it was time for Rodney to read his poem. When he was done reading, first the General and his wife stood up, and then many others after them for a standing ovation. Out of 20 or so performers, his was the only standing ovation of the night. We came in contact with many people that night and invited many to church. Yes God got the glory that night.

Lou Anne and I have been working on learning Italian. We are learning, but have a long way to go. But our hearts desire is to be able to learn Italian to witness to Italians. God knows the desire of our hearts is to reach the Air Force and their families here in Aviano, but to also reach the Italian community as well. Two weeks ago Lou Anne and I met one Italian woman, on Friday, and then another one on Saturday. Both women spoke English very well. We had tracts with us and were able to witness to both ladies and they both listened and seemed very interested. Even though we cannot speak Italian well enough to witness in Italian, yet because of the desire of our hearts, God has giving us opportunity to witness in English to Italians. Please pray that we will learn the Italian langue so we can witness to Italians in Italian.

Please pray for the General and other contacts that we made on the base, that they would come to church. Also please pray for the two Italian ladies we witnessed to. Pray for our children and grandbaby in the states. The health of Lou Anne's mom and my dad and mom.

In Christ,

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