



Reaching Men and Women for Christ in Italy

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In this crazy time of COVID-19 with limited movement, mandated safety protocols and general uncertainty we are thankful for God's blessing over the past year. Though our lives have changed in ways we could not have imagined there are many things that remain the same which is a source of comfort and encouragement. One of those constants is the goodness and faithfulness of God in all circumstances. Despite the challenges of the pandemic our family has experienced great blessing this year. Here is an update on our family.



In March we welcomed Samuel Tucker to our family. Samuel was born to Jon and Megan on March 18. Megan loves being a stay-home mom and keeping up with James who is 2 (active as can be), and Samuel 10 months who is ready to take off walking any time now. Last summer Jon switched over from the Air Force to the new "Space Force." However, in June he and Megan will be moving to Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Alabama where Jon will be on loan to the Air Force as an instructor for Air Force Squadron Officer School. Though it will be hard to leave Colorado, they are looking forward to a new adventure.

Laura experienced well. Last winter they bought their first house MO. The Lord has protected both of them many exposures. Laura remains teaching in coronavirus pandemic. At one point she was teaching every day. The challenges of adapting constrained environment of social distancing, and making up for learning losses has made it students continue to thrive and do well under faced many difficult challenges with the virus occurred earlier this year. Yet, he loves being City is a good fit for him.



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Jenny deployed to Qatar in the Persian Gulf this past year and had the opportunity to experience the culture and military life at a deployed location. She separated from the Air Force at the end of December and returned to Colorado Springs. She got a job with a contracting firm at Schriber AFB working as an IT specialist for Space Force. Because of the threats of COVID she works from home half the time. Praise the Lord she was able to buy a home in a new sub-division in eastern Colorado Springs; she and her two dogs (Cheyenne left and Austin right) love it there. Being physically close to Megan, Jon and the boys has also been a great blessing for her.





Daniel and Ashley had their first child, Hudson Warren on 15 July. We arrived in the States for a visit around that time and spent much of our time with them right after Hudson's birth. They have been stationed in Vegas for nearly two years now and this past Fall Daniel was selected by the Air Force for a Ph.D. program in Meteorology. This summer Daniel and Ashley are planning to leave Las Vegas so he can go back to school fulltime while serving as an active-duty Air Force Officer. It's undecided where he will go to school, though he has applied to the Naval Post-Graduate School in Monterey, California and Colorado State University, in Fort Collins, Colorado.

As for Anna and I, we are doing good. As you know Italy was hit hard with the coronavirus and we experienced complete lockdown for two months with very limited movement throughout the year. Now we continue to minister through Sunday church services, mid-week bible study and one-to-one discipleship, but with restrictions. In December Anna went to Las Vegas to help Daniel and Ashley with Hudson. One week after arriving she contracted COVID from Daniel who got it from a coworker. Soon, Ashley and Hudson had the virus. Praise God they all had a mild case, however Anna has been unable to return to Italy because she continues to test positive though she is asymptomatic and feels fine. From the research we have done it appears the virus can stay in a person's body for up to 90 days or longer. Please pray with us that she will test negative soon so she can come home.

None of us know what 2021 will bring as far as the coronavirus. Though all of us long for life to go back to normal we recognize that the new normal may look very different from the past. However, the constants in our life make this pandemic easier, and one of the greatest constants for the Christian is the love and faithfulness of God. In His strength we continue to press on, praising Him always for His goodness each and every day. Thank you for the blessing you are in our life. We love and appreciate you.

Serving Together in Christ,

John & Anna