

Happy New Year and Greetings from Switzerland!!!

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In all the ups and downs each year in ministry, God is always with us and always faithful!

Do you have goals and ambitions for 2014? We would love to hear about some of the dreams and plans you have for the upcoming year. Because of your faithful support we are able to bring God's Kingdom in Italy; words are not enough for how grateful we are for what sacrificial Kingdom builders you are. Each gift is always noticed and appreciated, even if you don't hear back from us right away.

## In 2013 Thanks to YOU...

- We were able to reach out to about 75 prostitutes who gladly accepted prayer and the gospel message.
- We were able to host a conference about human trafficking (a first in our city). The local TV came and interviewed us.
- We were able to move into a bigger apartment.
- We were able to make a trip to America to minister and to be refreshed.
- We paid 12 months of church rent!!! This is a miracle in itself. Having a building, we are able to
- welcome all types of people from Prostitutes to the upper class and introduce them to a Living God.
- We were able to buy a pellet stove and after 10 years of using minimum heating, our house is cozy and warm for a low cost.
- We found Annabelle! A trafficked prostitute. We were able to buy her a computer, and you donated Rosetta Stone Italian, so she begins her journey to a normal life out of sex slavery and following Jesus' guide.
- We were able to host a healing conference, a man came to Jesus, people were healed and God was glorified.
- We were able to make a trip to Switzerland for the Times of Refreshing conference for missionaries.
- We were able to purchase more Christian materials and Bibles for people in need.
- We were able to bless some of the poor in our community.
- We were able to minister weekly to the local body that gathers to worship with us. They are precious people and we are honored to have them in our lives.

## The Best has yet to come!

Our goals for 2014 are simple and can be summed up in a few words: we want to be the Light in a dark world. Preach hope to the hopeless, salvation to the lost, repentance to sinners, set the captives free, and watch in awe while God moves in signs and wonders in our city.

In a practical way, this translates into networking more efficiently with other ministers, organizing more events to reach out to our community, and take every opportunity we have to preach the Gospel. As a family, our goal is to grow together closer to the Lord, being godly parents to our kids, and raising them to fellowship with God on a personal level.

## We wish you a blessed 2014!

God has something for you in 2014. Listen to His voice. Listen for His ways, His thoughts, they are so much higher than ours. No matter what we are going through, He is there for us and will bring you through it.

Praying for God's richest blessings over you and your family this next year! And may you continue to find His love each day for you.

With much love,

Nicolas, Leia, Eva, Elise, Sophie, and Isaiah



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