



The Tacon Family

PLANTING IN PISA

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Greetings from Pisa!

Here in Tuscany, we are finally beginning to emerge from the cold, gloomy days of winter and are enjoying some days of sunshine. Spring is just around the corner, and we are so excited for *“la bella stagione,”* or *“the beautiful season.”* We have so much to **look forward** to! Today I am working on putting together a **program for Easter**, which will be set in three gardens: The *Garden of Eden* to introduce the concept of sin and being separated from God, the *Garden of Gethsemane* to follow with the substitutionary death of Christ for the sins of all mankind, and then the glorious *Garden Tomb* where sin was conquered. Please pray that this program would be a successful means of outreach as well as making a profound impact in the hearts of church members..

Looking back to January and February:

Joey led our annual **“Vision Sunday”** and gave us a glimpse of some of the plans, preaching, and projects we hope to accomplish in 2026. We praise the Lord for the **unified spirit in the church!** Many are already serving faithfully, but this year we are adding at least one **new Sunday school teacher**, and there will be other opportunities for people to step up and **put their gifts to work**. The **kids’ Sunday school class** is currently learning about old missionaries and other Christian Heroes. They particularly enjoyed hearing about Eric Liddell, since the Winter Olympics were happening just a few hours away!

One of the girls in class, **Perla, was saved** in Sunday school on February 1. It was so precious to see her excitement about making the announcement in church and celebrating her “new birthday” at the February birthday fellowship! Praise the Lord!

Thank you for praying for our **Valentines’ Couples’ Lunch** on February 14. We are so happy with the way it turned out. We had 13 couples attend from our church, as well as 4 other independent Baptist churches within a 3-hour radius. At least 3 unsaved people attended! **Missionary Paul Childers** from Grosseto preached a powerful message about the definition of love from 1 Corinthians 13.

Brother Childers just preached again this past Sunday, February 22, because Joey was filling in for another missionary in Sardinia. Both services went very well except that the door to our church broke, and Brother Childers had to climb in the window to preach for us. Praise the Lord, the service just moved forward without any more problems! We don’t have a piano player in our church, so it was a special treat to have his daughter, **Evalyn**, play piano for the service.

Upcoming events to pray for: Ladies’ Conference, March 7 - so far we have 26 ladies signed up!!

Easter Service and Outreach, April 5- “Three Gardens”

Thank you for your continual financial support and faithful prayers for Pisa, Italy! We are grateful for the privilege to be your co-laborers in missions.

In Christ, Joey and Jenny Tacon

