

Don't read this letter ~ until...

Fall 2007 update on the ministry of Scott & Sharon MacLean serving in Italy with  CrossWorld

... you reply to the e-mail! As we begin our time of home ministry, it is time to update our mailing list. At the top of the e-mail you received this with there is a reply card to fill out and mail back. There are just three simple questions to answer. So hit the reply button, type the answers and you are all set! Do it now!

! You must reply in order to continue receiving our prayer letters.

A few instructions for filling out your reply:

We know it can be hard to say how much you pray for us. **We are looking for an estimate** of how much we get prayed by the people who get this letter. Don't waste too much time trying to get it exact, just give us your best guess. A couple examples on how to fill this out:

- If you and your spouse each pray for us twice a week, you could fill a "4" in next to weekly – because we get prayed for 4 times a week.
- If your family of 4 pray together for us monthly, then that would average out to about 1 prayer a week and you could fill in "1" next to weekly.
- In any case, **DO NOT** delay sending back the card because you can't figure out what to fill in!

Our e-mail updates and prayer letters will now

ITALIAN INFO

Grocery prices, especially for grain and dairy products, have increased dramatically in the past few months. What unusual action did Italians recently take to protest these increases?

- A) held a one day pasta strike
- B) blocked dairy deliveries
- C) wore shorts to work for a day

Answer to last letter's question:

Most Italians take their summer vacations in C) August.

be sent using the "Pray for the MacLeans" Google Group. Hopefully this will help keep our e-mails out of any spam filters. This transition should not require much action on your part (other than returning the enclosed card). See the insert for more information about this change (if it applies to you).

OK. Stop reading **NOW** and fill out the reply card. I mean it! **STOP!** --- All filled out? OK, you can read on. Just make sure it gets in the mail!

Whew! There is so much to report, where can I begin? While we are looking forward to time with family, friends and supporters, things were going so well in Domodossola, we hated to leave! Here are some of the blessings:

We were called in for the second step in Sharon's residency permit renewal. The only thing left for both of us is to pick up the actual permits. And that can wait until we return in April. Praise the Lord!

We had great time of learning and team building at the Macedonian Project in August. We were able to spend time strategizing, dreaming, planning and praying together with Filippo and Sandra. What an encouragement!

Our youth group kick-off went great. We had five guests, two of whom are seriously considering the Gospel message. Please pray that they keep coming as Filippo and Sandra lead the group this year.

We kicked off our Sunday School (now called Club 252) with a few weeks of meetings in the park. Lots of kids came and we have at least one new kid that is now coming every week.

The Ladies Bible Study started back up and is growing! Pray for Sandra as she leads this.

We have had a few weeks recently where we were packed full on Sunday mornings in the apartment where we meet. Wow! We are considering an exciting option for a bigger place. We look forward to sharing more details about this and other stories with you during our time of home ministry.

"I had many things to write to you, ... but I hope to see you shortly, and we will speak face to face.."

III John 13, 14 (NASB)

On October 8 we arrived back in the US. The next day Scott flew out to IL to pick up the car which his brother is loaning us to use. We are getting settled in and have hit the ground running. By the time we mail this letter, we will already have visited three of our supporting churches.

As we begin home ministry, we will need to raise additional prayer and financial support. We are seeking an average of 100 people a day praying for us. At the moment (depending on what the reply cards say), we have about 93. Financially, we are approximately \$1,480/month short of full support. While we can live on less than full support, the weak dollar has made this more difficult. We calculate that we need to find a minimum of \$570/month to be able to afford to return to Italy.

Thank you again for your support in prayer and finances. We look forward to seeing most of you in the coming months.

His Servants,






Scott, Sharon & Karis MacLean

QUICKLY NOTED ...

- ☒ **New address!** – Please note our new mailing address below (valid until April 9, 2008).
- 🌐 **On our web-site (www.snsMacLean.net)** – Our full home ministry schedule, a preview of our new prayer card, and more.
- ➔ **Upcoming visits...** – October 25-28 – Calvary Bible Church, Lusby, MD
 – November 3-4 – Berean Bible Church, Greene, NY
 – November 18 – Community Bible Church, Brooksville, FL
 – December 2 – Bacton Hill Bible Church, Malvern, PA

Prayer & Praise

- ✓ Praise for the Ladies Bible Study which is growing! Pray for this outreach!
- ✓ Praise for a great time at the Macedonian Project church planting conference with Filippo and Sandra. We had wonderful times of learning, dreaming and strategizing together.
- ✓ Praise for progress on our residency permits. All we need to do is pick them up in April when we return.
- ✓ Praise that the living room where we meet for church was full for a few weeks before we left. Pray for an opportunity for a larger place.
- ✓ Praise for the friendships we have developed and pray that we might find ways to maintain these relationships during our time of home ministry.
- ✓ Pray that the Lord would raise up the additional prayer and financial support we need to return to Italy.
- ✓ Pray for safety in our travels during this time.
- ✓ Pray that we might be able to encourage others and create excitement for God's work of missions as we share with churches and individuals.
- ✓ Praise for the Lord's provision of a car.
- ✓ Pray for a great working of God in the Ossola Valleys. May He draw many people to Himself and build His church!

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