## Sicily Update May 2007

Dear Friends,

Greetings again from this side of the world. As I was thinking the other day about the popular radio program "Unshackled", it made me think about the many chains in our life that ties us down. Jesus broke the chains of sin and set us free. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36). We can also be chain breakers of bad habits, attitudes and everyday routines. Paul wrote to the church at Ephesus – "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you". An example: A worker made his boss mad and the boss reprimanded him, then he went home and hollered at this wife and an argument pursued. The wife hollered at the children about their messy rooms, then one of the kids went out and kicked the dog for no reason at all. The dog then went out and bite the next person that pass by. The victim went to the hospital to get a shot and fussed at the medic because the shot hurt. Well, where does it end? The medic went home and fussed at his godly mother because he did not like the meal that she had prepared. Sooo..... his godly mom told him that tomorrow I will prepare your favorite meal, at that point the son stopped and ask the mothers forgiveness. Godly people can be chain breakers in a bad world. I trust that you are making a difference in your home, work place, and community.

Several people have ask me about Vito, so I'll bring you up to date on him. He is not yet saved but we believe that he is under deep conviction. He is fighting with his boss at work and fighting with the Spirit's convicting power as well as deciding when to retire. There is a lot going on in his everyday life and through all this, he has missed some church services. Please continue to pray for him. His wife Ann has really been faithful to church as well as praying for his salvation.

Bro. Calogero, who is in charge of the Chiesa Battista Calvario in Catania, has reported that two men have recently been saved. This is a picture of Bro. Calogero and Bro. Giuseppe who was saved just before Easter.



They are also preparing for VBS in June. Please keep the new converts in your prayers as well as the upcoming Vacation Bible School. Linda and I will be going over to help them with VBS.

## **Answered Prayers:**

- 1. Anna's cast was removed May 18th and the arm has healed well.
- 2. Linda's knee is doing much better and she doesn't have as much pain as before. Please continue to pray that the Lord will heal it completely.

## **Praver request:**

- 1. Pray for the Sudore family as they are learning the language and customs.
- 2. The Galioto family as they travel there in the States while on furlough.
- 3. Our daughter Joni will be having surgery on here foot in June.
- 4. Pray for Giovanni's salvation.

Until next month may God's richly bless each of you.

In Christ,

Bro. Randall & Sister Linda