

PETHTEL UPDATE

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Permanence

September 30th we will meet with our core leaders to discuss a new phase in our church. We are starting to look for a permanent building! This is a huge step in the life of our church. I feel that before we can truly turn over the church to a local we need to have a permanent solution to where we meet. Praise God the church has already been able to set aside some money to be used in this new venture! Pray with us while we seek His wisdom and timing as we are in the beginning stage of this long process. I hope to be able to update you as we move through the process, bureaucracy and raising additional funds to complete the project.

Prayer Requests

- ◆ Davide and Jos as they start leading.
- ◆ Wisdom about a permanent structure.

Discipling Strong Leaders

While most of Europe, and especially Italy, is still dealing with the effects of quarantines and lockdowns we are using this time to look to the future. Florence is a very international city and our church represents that dynamic. We normally will have a number of people that will join us for a semester or sometimes 2-3 years. It is enjoyable to be able to minister to people that you know will head back to their home countries and will hopefully take those moments of gospel training back with them. We often say it feels like each semester we get to train new missionaries. However, this year is different. This year most of the international students, retirees, and expats have been sent back to their home countries. This has allowed us to focus more intentionally on our local community. All summer long Scott has been able to meet and pour into a group of men that we long to see one day step up as deacons or maybe even be called as a pastor. Dominique has been connecting with the women and facilitating Bible studies that suit their immediate needs and questions that often times pertain to the way they parent and their marriages. It has always been our prayer and goal to grow up locals to start serving and teaching in the church.



As the rest of Italy struggles to find their normalcy again we pray that God would impress on the hearts of these being disciplined and trained what their role is in the body of Christ.