

PETHTEL UPDATE

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Pethtel Corner

When we arrived in the USA we were full of excitement and were ready for the nearest Chick-fil-a and Taco Bell. What we didn't plan on was seeing the emotional toll that the past two years had taken on our kids. Since we have been relatively locked down and not allowed to leave our city, and at times even our home, it had become normal to feel this pressure.

However, since being around family and some of our church partners we have all felt the needed break and rest. As we miss our city of Florence, church, and friends we are reminded that the Lord is in control. We have chosen to live in His power, love and with a sound mind.

2 Tim. 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Ministry Center

We have been back in the States for two months now. We've enjoyed our time with family and updating our partners on the ministry that has taken place over the past two years, as well as sharing our next steps.

One thing that Covid has done is allowed us to regroup and refocus each ministry. In doing so we realized the **need for deeper discipleship**. In the past, we have held classes that were well attended, as well as taking 30 people through the New Testament in 12 weeks this past spring. Through this we recognized **a desire in the church for further training**, which led us in preparing to launch a Discipleship Institute this fall. The reoccurring problem we continue to face is where do we do it? Our first step was to charge our church to invest into a Ministry Center. Although, our church in Italy is not able to fully fund a Ministry Center on their own at this time, we have challenged them to start setting funds aside to help in securing a Ministry Center that will be utilized throughout the week for a new Youth Group, the Discipleship Institute, Bible Studies, and community events, but we need your help.

Would you consider joining us in reaching our financial goal? This would fully fund the center for 2 years.

