

# Hello from Italy!

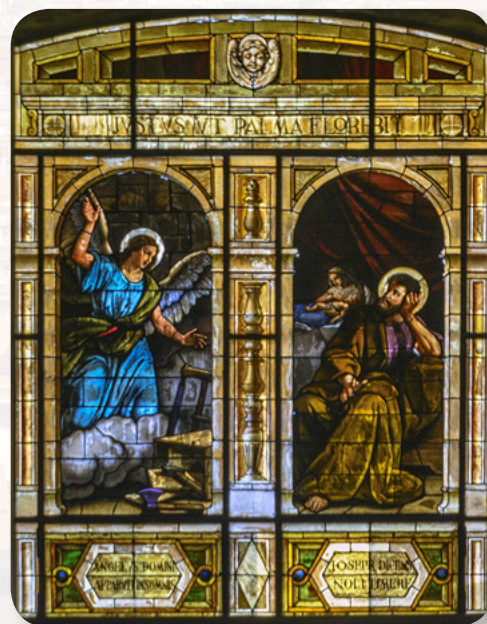


I'm Margo. And I'm Paolo.  
We're traveling around the  
world to learn about  
children of God.  
Join us as we visit Italy!

Italy is in southern Europe.  
On a map, it looks kind of  
like a boot! More than 60  
million people live there.



Do you know how to say "I am a  
child of God" in Italian? *Sono un  
figlio di Dio*. This girl is reading the  
Book of Mormon in Italian.



Most Italian people belong to the  
Catholic church. While some of  
their beliefs are different from  
ours, they believe in Heavenly  
Father, Jesus Christ, and the  
Holy Ghost.



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Before dinner, many Italian families like to go for an  
evening stroll, or *passeggiata*. They wear nice clothes  
and walk around the plaza together. They might even  
stop for some gelato—Italian ice cream. *Mmmm!*



Many kids in Italy come home from school to eat  
with their families during *pausa pranzo*—lunch  
break. They might have pasta or rice and meat  
and vegetables.

## Meet some of our friends from Italy!



"I know that Jesus lives and that  
He guides the prophets. It's very  
important to go to church so that  
we can learn more about Jesus.  
I have started reading the Book  
of Mormon every day because I  
would like to know more things  
about the gospel."

**Lorenzo B., age 7,  
Piedmont, Italy**



This month, a temple  
is opening in Rome!  
It was announced  
in the October 2008  
general conference.  
This will be Italy's  
first temple.

**Are you from Italy?  
We'd love to hear  
from you! See the  
back cover to see  
how to write to us.**



"When I am near the temple,  
I think about Jesus and I feel  
excited. Finally we won't have  
to drive 12 hours to get to the  
temple. Now I will be able to get  
to the temple in just 50 minutes!  
When I turn 12, I will be able  
to go and do baptisms in the  
temple."

**Olivia G., age 8,  
Lazio, Italy**

Thanks for exploring  
Italy with us. See you  
next time! *Ciao!*

