# A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

...in Mantua, Italy





BY GRACE









#### A BIT ABOUT US

The Sola Grazia Church (ChiesaSolaGrazia.it/eng/) is a church planting work started in 2008. It currently gathers about 50 people and enjoys the fellowship of a wide variety of churches, pastors and brothers in Italy and around the world.

The church is strong in biblical doctrines, outreach and discipleship. We are part of the FIRE FELLOWSHIP network (firefellowship.org) and are partnering with HeartCry Missionary Society (HeartCryMissionary.com).

The Lord has been so faithful during the past years. The church is growing and there is a sweet sense of harmony and love among the believers. Sola Grazia Church is a fantastic mix of old and young believers that love the Lord – a great group of people who are eager to serve and give with sacrifice.

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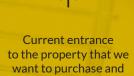
# A DESIRE TO INVEST IN GOD'S FUTURE WORK

Ever since the beginning, we have been renting the building in which we worship. After 11 years, we have spent about \$200,000 in rent alone. Recently we have begun to ask ourselves: 'Should we be wasting all this money in rent payments? What if the Lord gives us 10 or 100 more years? Is it not wiser to buy a place as an investment in the future?'

Nevertheless, we were not deliberately looking for a property or seeking a new challenge for 2018. It was a good friend of ours who told us about a property that recently became available on the market. After careful consideration, we think this property presents a great opportunity for our church and more than meets our needs as far as space, flexibility and accessibility. Local authorities have told us the church can be settled in the new site with no problem.







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Evangelical Christians account for less than 1% of the Italian population.

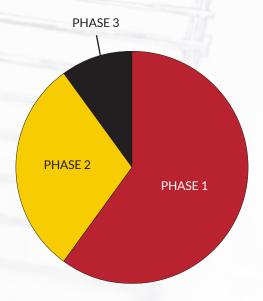


## A THREE-PHASE PLAN

- PHASE 1 \$400,000
  PURCHASING THE BUILDING
- PHASE 2 \$150,000 INTERNAL REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS
  - Moving furniture, kitchen and staff from old to new building
  - Fixing the electrical system
  - Setting the translation system
  - Painting
  - Fixing the audio system
  - New lighting system

- Fixing the heating system
- New stage
- Sunday school rooms renovation
- Kitchen renovation
- Office renovation
- Guest room
- Restrooms
- New books store
- PHASE 3 \$50,000 EXTERNAL WORK
  - Exterior and entrance repair
  - Landscaping
  - New gates
  - Exterior painting







# A BUILDING WITH GREAT POTENTIAL

The building is in need of some work and remodeling, but shows great potential. It is easily accessible and near the town center, offers large interior spaces which allow for plenty of future growth, and will not need major structural changes for it to suit our needs.



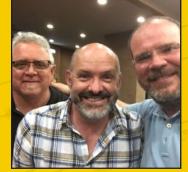








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#### **HOW TO GIVE**

If you would like to donate to the Sola Grazia Church New Building Fund, you will find more information and donation options at: www.chiesasolagrazia.it/new-building

You may also write to: Entrusted Word Ministries P.O. Box 1061 Littleton, CO 80160 www.entrustedword.org ewmsupport@entrustedword.org 720-641-9414



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### GIUSEPPE'S STORY

Giuseppe was born into a poor family in the suburb of Mantua. His family rejected him and never considered him worthy of anything. At age 14, he left home in desperation, shut the door and never looked back, hoping to start a new beginning and to find his place in the world, but in all the wrong places.

A life of drugs, alcohol, theft and countless crimes landed him behind bars. From his prison cell he cried out to God in desperation – and God sent Mario from Chiesa Sola Grazia to witness to him. Giuseppe gave his life to the Lord and began a journey of discipleship while still in prison.

Today, Giuseppe is a pillar of our church and will soon be recognized as a deacon of Sola Grazia. Praise God! This is just one of the many stories of a life transformed by God through the ministry of Sola Grazia.

Read Giuseppe's full story at: chiesasolagrazia.it/new-building