

PIONEER BIBLE TRANSLATORS

In 2014, Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT) established a team operating out of an old Abbey in the small town of Breme, Italy, to serve their field missionaries around the world. This team is involved in ministries such as outreach to refugees, translation consulting, scripture typesetting, Abbey renovation, member care, and field leadership.

CHARLIE AND STEVANIE WILKOS

Charlie and Stevanie have been on the mission field since 1997. Their biggest thrill is seeing the Lord touch and transform people's lives.

The first 18 years of mission work for the Wilkos were in Guinea West Africa with a variety of roles including print shop manager, administrative director, bookkeeper, contractor, branch director, and care facilitator.

Beginning in 2017, the Wilkos joined the PBT team in Italy. Charlie is the Abbey renovator and also typesets scriptures from around the world. Stevanie is the area director for PBT's South Asia Expanded Area, where she supervises PBT personnel and projects. She also has the privilege to provide member care for missionaries working in the Middle East. Together, Charlie and Stevanie host missionaries who come to the Abbey for training and orientation, crisis debriefing and recovery, strategic planning consultation, and much-needed rest and relaxation.

In 2024, the Wilkos will continue their work while in Kansas where they will live with and help Stevanie's parents.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Sensitivity for the team in Italy to the needs of the Abbey guests and field colleagues
- Growth in faith and the ability to share it in response to the Lord's leading
- Unity of spirit and purpose for Pioneer Bible Translator missionaries

PROVISION

- Pray that God would give Charlie the strength and resources needed to complete the Abbey renovation to the next stage where he envisions leading short-term teams to help with the work.
- Praise God for the new projects started in Nepal and Vietnam in 2024! Pray that additional personnel will be provided shortly.
- Pray for the Wilkos as they transition to Kansas and establish healthy work patterns in the new environment.
- Pray for a positive re-entry to the US and that the Lord would watch over Charlie and Stevanie's grown kids who will continue to live in Europe.

PRESENCE

- Pray for the PBT team in Italy to adjust to new team dynamics.
- Pray that Italian neighbors would feel drawn to Jesus and that the Wilkos would be good witnesses of the love of Christ.
- Pray that the Lord would reveal Himself to those at Valley View Christian Church and that their testimony would go out into all the world and bear fruit for the Kingdom of God!