

**Cancer Free**  
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We met Antonella for the first time last June when we were in Italy for a 10-day trip through the country. After visiting the saints, holding meetings and working with the contractor who was remodeling the building in Calabria, we left the mainland and went by overnight ferry to the island of Sardinia. Upon our arrival there our young Sister Stefania asked us if we would anoint a friend who had cancer. We made arrangements to have her come to Brother Rosario's home where several of us gathered.

When Antonella arrived she explained her condition and we could see the bandages on her right shoulder. Antonella had a cancerous tumor and the fear on her face spoke volumes and no further questions were needed. We explained to her the ordinance of laying on of hands, but Stefania had already done that so all we needed to do was pray. She seemed comfortable with us and we all knelt in prayer.

As we were on our knees Brother Tony Micale began silently praying that this young woman would receive a miracle like the people of old did whenever they came into contact with Jesus. After a season of prayer on our knees, the ministry attended to the laying on of hands. The lot fell upon me and, as I began praying, there was no doubt that the words that exited my mouth were not mine. The spirit was strong and we all said goodbye with hugs (abbracci) and kisses. (bacci)

It was then Brother Tony relayed to us the following experience. He said that the words given to me were exactly the words that were given to him while we were on our knees. A beautiful confirmation and blessing to our service to God.

Three months had passed and we gathered near Rome for our annual conference. Once again we received the report the cancer was not altogether gone in Antonella and Sister Stefania asked that we anoint a handkerchief for her. As we did, the power of God attended us once again and we felt the fire of the Holy Spirit envelope the handkerchief. Stefania gave the cloth to Antonella who wore it on the spot where the cancerous tumor was found.

We are happy to report Antonella is cancer free and is now expecting her second child. She came to greet Brother Tony and me while we were in Italy this January. What a joy we saw on her face and what a boost to the faith for our small mission on the island of Sardinia, thanks to the witness of our young Sister Stefania and her desire to see others come to know The Church of Jesus Christ