

Nation of Focus: San Marino



Continent: Europe Capital City: San Marino
Government: Parliamentary republic Population: 34,467
Major People Groups: 91% Italian; 9% Sanmarinese Religion: Christian 92%,
Agnostic 6%, Atheist 2%, Baha'is 1% Language: Italian, Romagnol
GDP Per Capita: \$60,800 Literacy Rate: 99.9%

PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for Holy Spirit-led proclamation of the Gospel in this unevangelized nation.
- Pray for the culturally religious to be awakened to their own depravity.
- Pray for those deceived by materialism to be freed through security in God.
- Pray these nations would have a heart for the Jewish People and Israel.

SUMMARY

Marinus, a Christian stonemason who found refuge from persecution on Mount Titano in 301 AD, founded the Republic of San Marino, beginning as a small community of Christians. Now a tiny landlocked nation on the Italian Peninsula, San Marino is the third smallest in Europe, with barely 23 square miles (61 sq km) and 33,400 people. It is known as the world's oldest republic. Characterized by the three jutting peaks of Mount Titano, San Marino attracts over three million tourists every year.

Due to its location, San Marino has been greatly influenced by Italian culture, while also maintaining national identity and pride. Although invaded and occupied many times throughout its history, it has kept a position of neutrality since its last battle in 1463. With no national debt, a budget surplus, and the lowest unemployment rate in Europe, San Marino enjoys a stable economy based primarily on tourism and banking. Overall, the people of San Marino live a quality and standard of life that is equal to the most prosperous areas of Italy.

Culturally, the Sammarinese are deeply linked to religion, with 89% claiming Christianity (88% of which are Catholic and only .5% Protestant). For many, faith and religion are valuable parts of their heritage but have very little transformational impact on their lives. Spiritual hunger has been replaced by materialism. More and more Sammarinese are rejecting faith of any kind, and small numbers are embracing Jehovah's Witnesses, Baha'i, and Waldensians. Although there is freedom to worship, evangelism is almost nonexistent, partially due to instances where incarceration and/or expulsion has occurred as a result. Catholicism remains deeply rooted in this culture, with nine Catholic parishes making up the diocese of San Marino. With nominalism as the norm, the Church in San Marino desperately needs a transformational encounter with the Living God.

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FREE LOVE

Rabbi Jacob Rosenberg PhD

We are commanded to “Love the Lord our God”, but what does it mean to Love God? The Book of Hosea helps us understand that difference between relying on the world or the free love of God.

Hosea 14:1-3

Hosea 14:4-8

Hosea 14:9

Psalms 107:43

Sermon Questions

Read Hosea 14:1-3, Hosea 3:5, 5:4, 7:10

- What is the key to healing and restoration?
- What prevents repentance? What gets in your way when you want to ask for forgiveness?
- What Model for repentance does Hosea offer?

Read Hosea 14:4-7

- What does it mean that God’s love is given freely?
- How has God shown you grace (like the dew)
- How has God shown you beauty (like the lily)
- How has God shown you stability (like the cedar)
- How has God shown you renewal (like Olive tree)

Read Hosea 14:8-9

- Do we put our trust for life in anything else other than God?
- Why does it take wisdom to understand these things?

Read Hosea Psalms 107:43 as a response

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Wed, 4/26 at 7pm
<https://wayfarertheaters.com/movie/hope-in-the-holy-land/>

Members/Volunteer

Meeting April 29th after service

Feed My Starving Children

Thursday May 4 7:00pm

Shavuot Service

Thursday May 25th 7:00pm

Messiah Conference

<https://mjaa.org/messiah2023/>
July 2-8 2023

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To Be and Make Disciples of Yeshua the Messiah

Our Values

Love God
Love People
Pursue Excellence
Eager to Grow

Our Distinctions

To the Jewish people First
And Also the Nations
The Biblical Calendar
The Bible as One-Story

Torah Portion

Tazria “conceives”
Lev 12:1-13:59

Our Readings

Lev 13:1-4
2 Kings 5:1-8
Matthew 8:1-4



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