## The Mariottis

"My flesh and my heart fail; but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

Psalm 73 v 26



Stefano and Jennifer Mariotti are working with the European Missionary Fellowship\_in a town called San Lazzaro near Bologna in northern Italy. The church is an independent evangelical church of about forty members. Every Saturday morning they have a literature table in the town market where they seek to share the Gospel with the town, giving out Bibles and other literature. They have links with similarly minded churches in Bologna, Sasso Marconi, Ravenna and Imola.

Stefano, who is also an elder in the church, is involved in the preaching and pastoral ministry of the church and in training other men for ministry. He also has opportunities to go into the local high schools in connection with Youth for Christ Italy and has just started a Christianity Explored course with one group of students. Jennifer is involved in organising a ladies' Bible study in the church considering the subject of

biblical womanhood. Together they run a youth group for teenagers from San Lazzaro and Sasso Marconi and also a group for people in their twenties, which is a good mix of Christians and non-Christians.

They are thankful to the Lord for all the opportunities He is giving them and they pray that the Gospel will really make a difference in the lives of people in Italy. They are very thankful for the relationship they have with the church in Hinckley.

