

Women's mission experience in Sicily, Italy

April 18–27, 2017 (with optional two-day extension in Rome)

Join Women's Transformation and Leadership as we journey to Sicily, Italy, in spring 2017.

You'll experience RCA missionary JJ TenClay's vital, life-giving ministry to refugees, migrants, and other populations on the margins of society. JJ works to meet the spiritual, physical, and socioeconomic needs of the more than 500,000 refugees and migrants in Sicily. We'll also look at the meaning of *Essere Chiesa Insieme* (being church together)—of integrating different cultures, traditions, ethnicities, and languages into a single worshiping community—with pastor Tim TenClay.

Guided by the TenClays, you'll meet a patchwork quilt of people who come from many backgrounds. Then, together with other women, you'll discern how you can intentionally bring your experience back to your church in ways that lead to lasting change.



The trip is limited to 15 people. Due to the sensitive nature of the refugees' realities, it is only open to women, and travelers must be at least 18 years old. Please note that the trip requires the ability to walk long distances (at least three miles a day) and that special dietary requests will be hard to accommodate. Limited partial scholarships are available for those with financial need. **To learn more about the trip, visit www.rca.org/womenitaly2017.**

Highlights in Palermo, Sicily:

- Learn about the ongoing Mediterranean Sea migration and how the crisis affects Sicily.
- Visit the Diaconal Center of La Noce, which offers key services to people on the margins, including a house for unaccompanied minor migrants and refugees.
- Get to know the ministry of Pellegrino della Terra, which serves migrant and refugee women who are victims of trafficking and sexual exploitation.
- Explore the meaning of *Essere Chiesa Insieme*.
- Discover Sicily's food, art, history, and architecture.

Highlights in Rome, Italy:

- Learn more about the Waldensian Church, the oldest Reformed denomination.
- Experience the Eternal City, with stops at the Vatican, Bernini's fountains, several of Rome's famous piazzas, and the pantheon.

Costs:

April 18–27, 2017 (Sicily leg only): \$3,200

April 18–29, 2017 (with Rome extension): \$3,650

To save your spot, please fill out the Google form at www.rca.org/italytrip2017.

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