



Italy Update:

After being in Eastern Europe (Serbia & Slovakia in April) I returned home for a short time to be with the family and then Off again to Italy for a full two weeks working on the Church Planting Initiative. I had the honour to have Doug Frederick, family pastor of Christian Life Assembly, join me for the entire trip. At the point of landing in Naples late Saturday April 25th to our departure on the May 4th, each day was filled with consulting listening and praying with leaders and our church planters. They are deeply passionate about an Italian church to emerge with the desire to plant new works in order to expand their reach of people. Out of our 9 evenings 7 of those were spent preaching, ministering and bringing strength in various churches and church plants.

NAPLES, ITALY - Sant' Antonio - Emmanuel Church Plant - Church Planters: Vincenzo & Pasqualina Tortoriello

They launched their first public gathering in January of 2015. The very first evangelical church in a town that is 100% Catholic. Sant' Antonio is located between two other cities – Sant' Maria and Pompeii. Things are off to a great start with a regular attendance each of 30 people and a fantastic core group of leaders working hard in making a difference in their city. We ministered hope on Sunday morning and spent time pouring into Vincenzo & Pasqualina during our visit.



ITALY - Casamassima, Bari Bethel Church Plant - Church Planters: Cristian & Miriam Mollino

Along with their leadership team this church is off to a great start. God has provided them with a great facility for their gatherings, which is already too small, packing it out with 50 plus people each weekend. We had a wonderful time of ministry there and spending time with their launch team. We are anticipating great days ahead.



ITALY - Scampia – Hope Centre church plant - Church Planters: Salvatore and Anna D’Andrea

We helped this church plant launch in November of 2014 a Social Centre, Recovery Type Church, with a strong focus on social justice in the very heart of Scampia, Naples. Also known as the “Bronx” it is made up of 70,000 habitants. It is one of the highest drug trafficking cities in Italy generating anywhere from 2-3 million dollars daily in drug activity. We spent one evening consulting with the leadership team on the launch of a new kids program similar to Bill Wilson on the Bronx of NY. We ministered at their mid week service and saw them in action giving away food parcels to many families in the community who were in need. Each weekend there are 40 people who call Hope Centre their home church.



ITALY - Advanced Leadership Training Conference

Three full days spent with 70 church planters, leaders & pastors. Doug Frederick and George Werner did a brilliant job in their training sessions. We had some very powerful moments of pouring into the leaders, praying, ministering, break out groups and of course enjoying some fine Italian food and fellowship with our friends. It was awesome to see the leaders take in each session and engage in discussion times. Many of the pastor’s & leader’s returned home to their church’s inspired with greater vision. Our next ATLC will be held December 5-8



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