

Who we are going with...

We will be going to Milan with World Team, a mission board with over 400 missionaries working in 27 countries around the world. It strives to glorify God by working to establish reproducing churches focusing on the unreached peoples of the world. To find out more information about World Team, visit www.worldteam.org.



How you can help...

We would like to get to Italy to begin planting churches as soon as we can. There are three ways you can help us get there:

- Join our prayer team. We need prayer warriors to faithfully pray for us and the work in Milan.
- Join our financial support team. World Team requires us to raise the support associated with their expenses for our assigned ministry.
- Extend our network. We would love the opportunity to share our burden for Italy and world missions with others. We are open to speaking to pastors, missions committees, small group meetings, Sunday School classes etc...



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A Vision for Italy



*Then the master told his servant,
'Go out to the roads and country lanes
and make them come in,
so that my house will be full.'
Luke 14:23*

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Who we are...

Ron and Amy Smith grew up worlds apart, Ron in the small town of Aiken, South Carolina, and Amy in the suburbs of Paris, France as a missionary kid. We met while attending Columbia International University in South Carolina. Ron was pursuing a pastoral ministries degree, while Amy was pursuing a Bible teaching degree. The Lord brought us together and has set us on the path of becoming church planters in Milan, Italy. We have four wonderful children 7 years old and under. Needless to say, our hands are full!



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Vanessa
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Josiah
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Jordan
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Where we are going...

From food, music, to art, the Italian culture has influenced the Western world perhaps unlike any other country in history. While Italy has given so much to the world culturally, spiritually she is a needy country.

- Religious statistics show that while 80% claim to be Catholic, as little as 3% attend Mass regularly nationwide.
- Mary is prayed to (if in fact, one prays) and held in such high regard that she is often seen as on the same level as God Himself.
- The Italians are searching for truth, however their search is taking them to the emptiness of materialism, New Age, and cults.

We will be joining World Team missionaries in Milan, Italy. Milan is the fashion capital of the world and the financial capital of the nation. There are 6 million people in the greater Milan area and only 0.1% are Evangelical Christians. This city is a major center for transportation in Italy, so a church planting movement from Milan has the potential to reach many segments of Italian society. In the area of town that we have targeted we suspect there are NO other believers and it has a population of over 300,000 people.

What we are going to do...

The missionary team in Milan has a vision to evangelize, disciple and equip Italian leaders to plant multiplying churches. The vision is to "establish 15 new reproducing churches in 20 years (by the year 2027) starting in Zone 9 of Milan."

The team has developed a strategy for planting reproducing churches. It unfolds in four phases:



Evangelism. This will take many forms: one-to-one, interest groups, youth groups, English classes, etc.

Proto Community. The purpose of this phase is to take small groups of new believers and disciple them.

Identify and train key Italians who will help plant churches. The goal is to have the Italians start a church that will be Italian.

Reproducing churches. The goal is for these churches to become reproducing. While the process will start slow, the end result could see exponential growth.



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in center city Milan