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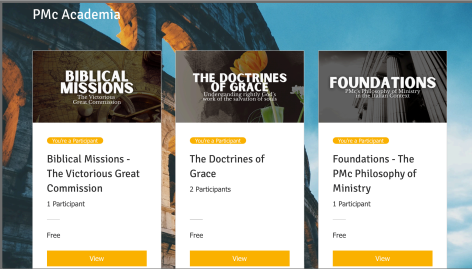
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER - ministry update from the Schreck family



Hello dear friends and partners! We write today from Italy glad that spring has finally arrived. On March 9th we were blessed to welcome our third child, Simeon Knox, into the world. The Lord was gracious and he and Jeryvee are both doing well. Jeryvee's mom has been with us during this time to help out around the house and with the kids. She has been a huge blessing and we thank the Lord for her. Soon she will be returning to south Italy and we will be carrying on now as a family of five.

By God's grace, we are learning to adapt as a growing family. It's been a bumpy road getting all things going again for the ministry, but little by little we are moving forward and getting back on our feet. We still need to finalize the US documentation: birth certificate, passport, etc... but this too is coming together. Then we will need to renew our Italian residency permits.

The house we are staying in has been a huge blessing for us to get acclimated in this area of Italy while starting up both Practical Missions Cohort and Vera Vita for long-term impact. We are now at the point when we must upgrade to a larger, more suitable home. The home we have been living in actually doesn't have a dining room (just a small living room with a small table in it that we rarely use for meals because it's too tight) and this has been greatly hindering our ability to host folks for meals. Hosting other families for meals is actually a very important part of ministry in Italy. We are now seeking the Lord about this. At the same time, we realize that the ministry could benefit from having a facility of its own. It would add credibility to the ministry while providing a place for gathering folks together around the Word and for hosting homeschool meetups with other families. Ideally it would also enable us to host the short-term cohort members, interns, and new long-term families that arrive in Italy to join the church plant team. We are praying about somehow scooping up a type of agriturismo strategically just outside of Mestre city so we can repurpose it for the advancement of the Kingdom here in Veneto, Italy. Please join us in prayer for this.



Above Photos: Jesse preaching, baby Simeon, Schreck and Vitter families together, PMc Academia courses, Vera Vita Italian podcast video clip

Partnering

To partner with us please send your donations (tax-deductible) to PRACTICAL MISSIONS COHORT, and mail to:

Practical Missions Cohort
500 Westover Dr. #10079
Sanford, NC 27330

Simply write "Schreck" or "general fund" in the *memo section*, depending on how you would like to support us and the PMc ministry. Note: we are currently praying for more monthly ministry partners.

*Donations can also be made online at: practicalmissions.org/donate

Prayer Requests

- **Documentation** for baby
- **Family** to Flourish as we homeschool and parent alone
- **Church Plant** in Mestre to solidify as we prepare to covenant together
- **Salvations** - in Mestre
- More **Long-term + short-term missionaries** to apply and get accepted with PMc
- **Provisions:** funds for a modest facility for PMc in Italy that lets us host more people, missionaries, and various events
- **Provisions:** more financial partners - we need to increase monthly support by about 50%.
- **Production** of Courses at PMc Missions Academia
- **Vera Vita** Italian Outreach + Media Ministry to continue impacting lives and leading others to Christ



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On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true Light is already shining.

1 John 2: 8

CHURCH PLANTING - Vera Vita Outreach Ministry

With the good weather now here we are grateful to be restarting the evangelism. We are now again doing Gospel literature distributions from house to house and to all the coffee bars. We will also begin handing out tracts and striking up conversations in the piazza. Lord willing, this summer we will be hosting a Gospel Concert group that will do a show in the town square to help us reach more folks through songs and testimonies. It will also give me a chance to preach to a larger crowd. In addition, we are continually building new relationships with other Italian believers and ministries in North Italy. In January, for example, Jesse was able to minister the Word to a group of 5 different churches in the Piemonte region when they gathered for a joint fellowship. Astonishingly, 5 Italian churches together were still less than 100 people... **The need in Italy is truly immense!** The churches throughout Italy are few and small and often not very doctrinally sound or healthy in practice.

We are continuing our relationships with other homeschool families and are grateful for the open doors the Lord has given us to testify to these folks about the Gospel of the grace of God in Jesus Christ the Lord. We long to see them soundly saved and hungry for God's word.

The Crider family is now raising funds to join us for a month this fall in Mestre to assist with outreach and the church plant. They are seriously considering *long-term* missions with PMc as well. In September we are organizing to host a PMc Vision Trip group from FL. We look forward to showing them the realities of Italy, letting them meet Italian believers, and involving them in some outreach work.

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To the end of seeing more Italians saved and well disciplined and Biblical and healthy churches planted, PMc continues to dig its roots deep as a mission exclusively to Italy. All this is possible only with the help of ministry partners like you who sacrificially give to see the Gospel advance in truly unreached places.

One of PMc's founding board members, Dr. Randy Potter, sadly, will not be finishing his time with us. He has been crucial in helping to form this mission with a solid foundation and get us going for long-term impact. We are so grateful for all he has contributed to the ministry during these startup years. We are confident that his faithful and sacrificial service will live on bearing fruit for many years to come. The countless contributions he has made during his retirement years are a testimony to all of how one can meaningfully and tangibly contribute to the Great Commission. Please join us in praying to the Lord to bless him and his wife in this next season of life.

We have now created the first 5 full lessons for the PMc course, **Biblical Missions - The Victorious Great Commission**, at the [PMc Missions Academia](#). Be sure to check it out or share it with a friend interested in being equipped to serve abroad as a missionary! The Missions Academia is our contribution to seeing the next generation of missionaries raised up and equipped for faithful service in the Great Commission.

Want to impact Italy? Be sure to check out our [Short-Term Evangelism Cohort](#) or [Vision Trip](#) opportunities! If you are a friend of the ministry, be sure to get on our mailing list and/or come on over and join us on the inside at PMc's newly forming online Discord community, [The Italian Cohort](#). It's free and the best way to keep in touch with us. There you can get inside access to all things happening in Italy and the ministry! You can also learn more about real life in Italy. Thank you from our hearts for your love, support, and participation.

To God alone the glory,
Jesse & Jeryvee and all at PMc

