PASTORAL PASTORAL BESIDENCE PREPARING LEADERS THROUGH HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITHIN THE LOCAL CHURCH

THE PASTORAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM

takes place while serving the local church and without having to leave one's vocation.

This 2 - 3 year program is designed to equip and prepare Italy's future pastors to effectively carry out their pastoral calling via a personally contextualized program that includes:

 theological and leadership formation
hands on ministry experience connected with experienced pastors/church-planters
mentoring and coaching relationships
personal, spiritual and emotional development











THE FINANCIAL NEED AND VISION:

To provide a grant/financial stipend for Italian church leaders who have been called to pursue bi-vocational pastoral ministry. Candidates will be assessed after having been tested and approved by local church leadership. We are currently preparing leadership for more church planting projects and would like to grow this program for other recognized, called and tested Italian church leaders.

WHY BI-VOCATIONAL?

Because it makes the most sense in Italy's cultural context where evangelicals are a minority. We believe that smaller churches led by a team of bi-vocational leaders is a sustainable model, one that does not depend on extraordinary financial gifts or external longterm dependencies. Additionally, church leaders are not removed from the public sector where they live as a testimony to the Gospel in a culture that desperately needs to see it.

We truly believe and pray that this vision is one that could lead to a movement of Gospel-driven church plants who have a heart for their cities.

SPONSOR A PASTORAL RESIDENT

\$12,000 annually for 2-3 years

This stipend allows the pastoral resident to continue working part-time while dedicating time to theological training, leadership and character development, and service to the local church.



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