

VISION AND PURPOSE

Open Doors believes in the power of prayer to change lives and transform nations. It is our passion to see people awakened to the reality of our brothers and sisters facing extreme persecution because of our shared faith in Jesus. We believe that by praying for our persecuted family, our own faith will also be strengthened and grow. We want to see people of all ages praying for and with the persecuted church, changing history on their knees whilst being personally challenged and inspired. We are committed to increase and invest in our prayer groups so that persecuted Christians around the world can be covered in constant prayer.

RESPONSIBILITIES & EXPECTATIONS

Because of the essential Christian context in which the role will be performed, it is a requirement for the applicant/volunteer to be a practising Christian. As part of our team of volunteers, all prayer group leaders will be expected to:

- Start a prayer group for persecuted Christians – or register an existing one with Open Doors (the prayer group can be linked to your church but doesn't have to be)
- Encourage your church members to join your prayer group
- Organise regular prayer meetings
- Stay up to date with the latest prayer needs of the persecuted church
- Communicate with people we put in touch with you, who want to join your prayer group
- Encourage your church to pray for the persecuted church during services
- Find creative ways to motivate others to pray
- Encourage people to pray individually as well as with each other.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESOURCES

You will be accountable to the member(s) of the Inspire Team responsible for prayer groups. Open Doors will provide ongoing support and encouragement through:

- Emails (weekly and monthly)
- Prayer Diary (monthly)
- Open Doors magazine (bi-monthly)

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Characteristics:

- Passionate for God and the persecuted church
- Good knowledge of, and enthusiastic about, the ministry of Open Doors
- Willing to commit to Open Doors' values and messages and be a trusted ambassador for persecuted Christians
- Reliable and organised in corresponding with people by phone, email and letter
- Friendly and approachable manner.

Competencies:

- Able to organise regular prayer meetings
- Able to motivate others in praying for the persecuted church.

Enhanced disclosure information may be requested from the DBS in the event of a successful application.

“I've never been so blessed in any kind of ministry.” PRAYER GROUP LEADER, ROCHDALE

- Prayer News DVD or CD (bi-monthly)
- World Watch List (annually)
- Church resources
- Prayer and activity resources for youth and children
- Contact by phone and email to offer advice, prayer, support and to put you in touch with people enquiring about your prayer group.