

Church Representative Role Description

Vision and Purpose

Open Doors has a vision to see the persecuted Church on the agenda of every church and small group in Southern Africa. Our concern should be for our persecuted family standing with them in prayer and support. We are looking for people with a heart to champion this in their local church, faithfully keeping their church informed and praying.

Responsibilities and 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 Church Reps will be expected to:

- Utilise our weekly prayer requests for churches
- Get their church to use annual resources designed for them
- Inform and inspire their church to pray regularly with and for our persecuted family in Faith
- (either in main services or prayer groups)
- Keep their church updated on Open Doors campaigns and ask the church to sign our petition forms
- Inspire and motivate members within the church to become supporters of the ministry through prayer, giving, volunteering, or campaigning
- Invite an Open Doors' Speaker to speak at or take a service

Personal qualities

- Passionate for God and the persecuted Church
- Good knowledge of, and enthusiastic about, the ministry of Open Doors
- Understands the importance of prayer
- Can motivate people and communicate well
- A people's person who enjoys connection with others
- Be actively involved of your church community
- Be able to spot opportunities to make a difference and make the most of them
- Not be intimidated by indifference; eager to see more Christians on their knees in prayer and on their feet in action for our persecuted family.

Accountability and Resources

A designated member of our Church and Community Engagement Team will be actively supporting you in this role, however, anyone in the Church and Community Engagement Team can advise you on new resources should you want to order for your church. When you first become a Rep, the designated member of the team will welcome you and pray for you. They will also check in with you from time to time to and pray with you.

*Please note the due to the context of our work, all applicants will be subject to a basic background check.