



Prayer Pastor Job Description

Volunteer title: Prayer Pastor
Report to: Operations Manager and Team Leader

Purpose

To support the street pastor team with prayer, encouragement and note taking whilst the team are out on the street.

Main responsibilities

1. To work as a team with others on prayer duty.
2. To offer encouragement and support to the street pastors. Unless praying from home, this would include practical matters such as offering to make up the flasks at the beginning of the patrol and providing the SPs with a beverage and, in the case of the NTE patrols, to repeat the process at the break.
3. To answer the phone from the street pastors and pray for specific needs as they arise.
4. To keep notes and collect data about the street pastors' activities, according to the format prescribed.
5. To keep confidential any details from patrols.
6. To pray for general needs in the city.
7. To be prayerfully aware of God's direction during the patrol.
8. To promote prayer for street pastors in your home, church and circle of friends.

Person specification

You have a personal relationship with God and believe in the significance of prayer. You have a compassion for the residents of our city. Your primary motive is love and you understand the servant focus of the street pastor ministry.

You are willing to serve and support the street pastor teams.

You are a good team player and take responsibility for your part in making the team a success. You contribute your ideas in a supportive and positive way. You are willing to experience the prayer habits of Christians from church traditions different to your own.

Commitment

This is a volunteer post. If you are praying for **Night-time** street pastors or **Evening Community** you commit to one duty per month. If you are praying for **afternoon city centre patrols** you just arrange a prayer duty with the Operations Manager when it is convenient to you. Generally you are booked in for approximately 3 weeks in advance. If you are praying for **afternoon community**

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patrols street pastors commit to one duty per week at schools or one duty per month when working in the community.

You will need to attend team meetings as appropriate to your area of work, e.g. those working with schools will need to meet at least once each term. We would also ask that you support team events and meetings.

Within your first year you will be able to join Southampton Street Pastors with 2 hours in-house training plus a day of basic training soon after you have started to learn the nationwide set up of the organisation.

Along with the whole prayer network you will try to attend the seasonal Southampton Street Pastor prayer meetings (held 4 times each year).

We hope that all volunteers are able to continue as a prayer pastor for two years but welcome those who want to continue beyond that time, and understand that some are not able to commit to the full two years.

There are other opportunities to get involved, such as in our working groups for training or publicity. We also have requests for street pastors and prayer pastors to visit various groups to speak about the project.