



**BIDEFORD
STREET PASTORS
and
SCHOOL PASTORS**

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Thank you for enquiring about appointment as a Prayer Pastor; I have pleasure in enclosing an Application Pack.

Praying is one of the privileges of a Christian's experience. Being able to communicate directly with our God is just amazing. Even more wonderful is when we see our heavenly father act as we pray. This is the experience of our Prayer Pastors.

Bideford Street Pastors will not patrol without active prayer backup. This can take several forms throughout the week but we especially need people who will be at our base during patrol times (usually Saturday 9.15 pm to Sunday 4.00 am).

I hope to welcome you onto the team, training together and serving Jesus amongst the people He presents to us.



BIDEFORD STREET PASTORS

Who is a Prayer Pastor?

If you take the term prayer pastor to mean anyone who prays for Street Pastors on a regular basis there will be various types of prayer pastors. These may be :

1. **Home Prayers:** Some prayer pastors may only be able to pray at home. They will be praying during the week or when the Street Pastors go out.
2. **Prayer Partners:** a partner who can pray for a street pastor. We encourage each street pastor to consider asking someone to be their prayer partner. This person should be someone they know, who will pray for them whenever they go out as a street pastor. They should be someone the street pastor trusts, and who they can open up to about things that have affected them on the night, or even during the week if they wish. This person should pray especially for that one street pastor.
3. **Local Churches:** People in local churches who can pray on a weekly basis for the Street Pastors from their own church.
4. **Local Groups:** Prayer groups and home groups who can pray for Street Pastors as part of their meetings and other activities.
5. **Base Prayers:** People who can go to base and pray while Street Pastors are out. They should be willing to pray once a month at base, either for a full night's or half a night duty. **Bideford Street Pastors will not patrol without Base Prayers** who:
 - a. Respond to requests received during patrols directly from the street via our mobile phones
 - b. Maintain a live record of the night's events
 - c. Care for the street team's physical needs during breaks.

Prayer pastors and Street Pastors are part of the same team and should work together and support each other. They should pray for each other and where possible meet for both prayer meetings and socially to build the team spirit.



BIDEFORD PRAYER PASTORS

Prayer Pastor Volunteers must be the right people for the role. Bideford Prayer Pastors cannot just take anyone who offers, but must carefully select volunteers based on talent, skill, experience, motivation and spiritual maturity.

Basic selection criteria

Prayer Pastor Volunteers must all be:

1. committed to a local Christian church for a reasonable time; and
2. Complete and sign a Prayer Pastor Agreement.

Additional selection criteria

We are also looking for the additional qualities set out below. This is not an exhaustive list but is simply to be used as a starting point in the process of discovering God's will - something which cannot be accomplished by a simple checklist:

1. Commitment to a Christian faith rooted in belief and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
2. Commitment to the Street Pastors' ethos, i.e. that the calling is not to preach the gospel or to offer professional counselling, but to listen, care and provide practical help, and only share faith when asked to do so;
3. Non-judgmental attitude and willingness to show unconditional love to anyone and everyone;
4. Dependent on God's Holy Spirit and an awareness of spiritual issues;
5. Ability to work as part of the Street and Prayer Pastor teams, and follow the directions of the leadership;
6. Sufficient understanding of schools and streets to be not easily offended;
7. Ability to relate to a wide range of people from all walks of life;
8. General behaviour and lifestyle which would not bring Street and Prayer Pastors into disrepute.



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Bideford Street Pastors will commit to providing quality training to equip you:

The Street Pastors Initiative is designed to give Christians the tools to be effective expressions of God's, and through the dedication of time and love, become bridge-builders in today's society.

This Prayer Pastors course has four parts to equip the new Prayer Pastor for the role of prayer pastors for the street pastor's ministry.

1. Preparation and reflection

This is an independent activity to encourage the Prayer Pastor recruit to start thinking about their role.

2. Roles and Responsibilities training

The opportunity to attend the Street Pastor Roles and Responsibilities course offers several benefits, including: becoming aware of how Street Pastors operate, as well as gaining an insight into the ministry.

3. Observation with a Street Pastors team in action

In addition to attending the session on roles and responsibilities, the Prayer Pastor will gain valuable first-hand experience during an observation with a Street Pastors team for at least one night or patrol session. Such an experience provides valuable knowledge of the locations and settings in which the street pastors patrol.

4. Prayer Pastor training day

This day's training covers a variety of topics to enrich your ministry.

Bideford Prayer Pastor Application Form



1. Introduction

<p>Bideford Street Pastors requires all volunteers to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Be a professing Christian;B. Be over 18 years of age;C. Be committed to a local church in fellowship with the wider Christian community in the area	
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First Names:	
Surname:	

Please Return Completed Application Form to Bideford Street Pastors	
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Please Clearly Print All Details In Black Ink And Block Capitals

2. Important Information

- Read all the information before you complete this application.
- Type or write neatly in **BLACK INK**, as this form will be photocopied.
- We want to ensure that the recruitment process is equally accessible to applicants with disabilities. So if you would like us to make any arrangements in this respect, please let us know.

3. Personal Details

Address:					
				Post Code:	
Email:					
Telephone Numbers					
Home:		Work:		Mobile:	
Date of Birth:	/	/19	Marital Status:	Single/Married/Divorced	
Nationality			Profession:		
Do you have a driving licence?		Y/N	Do you have use of a vehicle?		Y/N
Availability :	Bideford Street Pastors regular duties are from 9.15 pm on Saturday night – 4 am on Sunday morning and commit to 12 duties per year. Can you do this?				Y/N
	Are you available for other Prayer Pastor Roles? Please state:				

Fleece Size:	S	M	L	XL	XXL
Shirt size:	S	M	L	XL	XXL

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Date application form received:	
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4.Church Details

Church/Organisation:			
Minister's Name:			
Main Church Contact:			
Address:			
		Post Code:	
Telephone No.			
Email Address:			

5.Christian History

How long have you been a Christian?	
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6.Funding

We will appreciate a contribution towards training and equipment

7.Your Health

Do you suffer from any medical condition we need to be aware of?	Y/N
Are you currently on any medication? If so, please give details:	Y/N
Are you subject to any dietary restrictions?	Y/N