

## **Volunteer Speaker**

### **Our Mission**

Following Jesus Christ, The Leprosy Mission strives to break the chains of leprosy, empowering people to attain healing, dignity, and life in all its fullness.

### **Position**

Australians love to help others. Unfortunately not many Australians know every two minutes someone is diagnosed with leprosy.

You are able (or willing to be trained) to speak about this publicly, sharing with others how they can help break the chains of leprosy and empower people affected by leprosy.

### **Tasks**

Take on and give talks about leprosy at churches, Bible Study Groups, community groups (ie Rotary), or schools – or anywhere you can!

Be willing either search out your own opportunities; accept opportunities as they come up from the Office; or a mixture of both.

Report back to the office where you spoke, how many people came, and what you spoke on.

### **Skills**

Essential:

You love Jesus and people affected by leprosy.

You can speak in public for 15 – 20 minutes.

You are a good story teller

You are patient

Desirable, but not necessary:

You can use a computer and a projector

### **Setting**

In churches, community groups, schools, and your home (preparation).

### **Schedule and commitment.**

You are willing to take this role on for as long as you feel called to it. I would suggest a minimum commitment of a year to see what it is really like.

How many talks you are willing to do depends on how many opportunities you seek out, and how many come up in your area through people contacting the office. This could be from 1 -12 talks a year, most likely spread between February and November.

Most talks are at church services or events, so while the talk itself + questions might only go for 30 min you would probably spend 2-3 hours at each event.

I usually prepare one talk each year, and re use that. It takes 5 -15 hours to prepare a 20 min message depending on experience. I then pray over each talk before I go to a location to see what I can make specific to where I am going.

### **Training and supervision**

You are often on the go by yourself, or perhaps with another volunteer.

Unless you are already a volunteer speaker you would be required to do some training with the Engagement Coordinator.

They will also be available to answer any questions you have as you prepare, and to provide any resources which will help you.

### **Screening**

Child Protection Policy

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Code of Conduct

Police Check