



### **Purpose of Role**

To foster and grow Gospel partnership between members of their congregation and the Mission Partners connected to their congregation.

### **Character Expectations**

The Mission Support Team member will be passionate about supporting mission partnerships. They will also:

- Profess faith in Christ and be an active member of their own congregation. They will seek to grow their own relationship with Christ through regular prayer and Bible reading.
- Model godliness, setting an example in their speech, conduct, love, faith and purity (1 Tim 4:12).
- Abide by the OEC Code of Conduct for Volunteers, Overseers and Ministry Workers.
- Have a humble and teachable spirit, willing to listen to and learn from others.

### **Competency Expectations**

The Mission Support Team member will have:

- Genuine love for people with demonstrated relational skills
- Good verbal skills and possess the ability to communicate in such a way that is clear, understandable and able to enthuse people with ideas.
- Strong organizational skills.
- The ability to work well with others.

### **The Mission Support Team Member**

Orange Evangelical Church (OEC) has many volunteers who serve in a variety of ways. The Mission Support Team is comprised of representation from each OEC congregation and at least one OEC ministry staff member.

OEC is committed to the work of the gospel locally, nationally and internationally. An important part of this commitment involves active partnership with other individuals, families and organisations working to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. These Gospel partnerships



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invest in Gospel ministry through theological education, Bible translation, student ministry and Gospel minded support of the poor and vulnerable.

The Mission Support Team seeks to foster and grow these Gospel partnerships with OEC. This will involve, among other things, organizing information distribution, enabling informed prayer and so encouraging active engagement in Gospel partnership between the Congregation, OEC ministries (such as Growth Groups), individuals and families and our Mission Partners.

### **The role in practice**

The Mission Support team member will:

- Work as part of the Mission Support team to:
  - o give input into the process of recommending OEC Mission Partners to the Overseers, including those financially supported by OEC.
  - o give input into the allocation of OEC Mission Partners to OEC congregations for concentrated support.
  - o Help manage the prayer and personal support of OEC mission partners supported by all congregations (eg. Compassion, High School SRE, Orange Christian Students).
  - o Help enable ministry leaders of specialised OEC ministries (Seniors, Youth, Adrenalites) to Implement strategies that raise awareness and partnership with our OEC Mission partners.
  - o Help maintain two-way communication with OEC Mission Partners by producing a quarterly newsletter, about what is happening at OEC. Only one of the Mission Support Team members will look after this communication.
- Work with their Congregational Minister to organise mission spots and mission visits at their congregation.
- Work with their Congregational Minister to develop a prayer plan for weekly handouts specific for the missionaries connected to their congregation.
- Help ensure that OEC Mission Partner supporter information (I.e. prayer letters) are printed and distributed by the office.
- Organise and sets up mission promotional material when needed.



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### **Appointment and Commitment**

- Mission Support Team members are appointed by the Congregational Leadership Team and serve for at least 12 months.
- Mission Support Team members will normally be Partners of OEC. If they are not Partners they will speak to their Congregational Minister about partnership before becoming Mission Support Team member.
- The Mission Support Team will meet at least twice a year to share ideas, review activities, provide recommendations to the Overseers regarding Mission Support, and to pray.

### **Mission Support Team Member Support**

Mission Support Team members are members of a team that are there to provide ideas, encouragement and support. One of the Congregational Ministers will also form part of the Mission Support Team and is also available for ongoing support and encouragement.

### **What will happen next?**

You will be contacted by the Mission Support Team Leader with your next step.