

Did you know that three in five children don't know that David and Goliath is a Bible story? Or that not one child in a school of over 400 pupils could tell their head teacher the story of Easter?

Open the Book volunteers visit primary schools to share dramatised, interactive Bible stories with the children in their collective worship. Open the Book teams were formed in Rayleigh in 2015 (made up from church members across the town) and now deliver assemblies in the majority of local primary schools. Active Christian Trust sponsors the Rayleigh teams covering the cost of training and written materials.

If you're excited about sharing Bible stories with school children, perhaps you'd like to be an *Open the Book* volunteer in Rayleigh? You'll be given all the necessary material, training and help – you just need to be able to commit to a couple of hours a week or fortnight during term time. Or perhaps you can help with making costumes or props? If you are interested in finding out more and getting involved please contact Lawrence Cantle (Rayleigh Co-ordinator for *Open the Book*) on mobile: 07877 337556 or email: lcantle@aol.com

Prayer Support

Your continued prayer support for *Open the Book* is very much valued. Please pray:

- giving thanks for Open the Book teams in Rayleigh, pray for confidence, energy and enjoyment as well as fresh ideas and good relationships with the children and school staff;
- that the children enjoy the Bible stories and great seeds will be sown in the children's lives;
- giving thanks for the schools that have already welcomed Open the Book and pray that all schools in Rayleigh embrace Open the Book and that we will have sufficient teams to be able to provide this ministry Rayleigh-wide on a regular basis:
- that more churches nation-wide will capture the vision for Open the Book and more teams will be formed to take the Bible to more school children.

Thank you ☺

For more info on *Open the Book* please go to www.openthebook.net

......and we will tell them to the next generation.

We won't keep secret the glorious deeds and the mighty miracles of the LORD.

Psalm 78:4 (CEV)