## Our House – Week 4 - Connect group notes

## **Being Connected Get started**

Do you watch SPY movies?
Do you have a favourite?
would you like to be a secret agent?

## Get stuck in...

We are looking at the value of being missional, another key to be being an open house. • What do you think of when you think of the word missional?

Do you find it easy to be missional?

Many people today believe that faith should remain private and has nothing beneficial to contribute to workplaces, politics, family life, or society in general. How might the fact that Jesus made everything and died to reconcile all things change the way we see our frontlines (The places we spend most of our time)?

The early church was commissioned by Jesus to be missional **Read Acts 1:8** 

How might seeing your individual work as part of God's bigger plans for the world affect the way that you go about your tasks on your frontline?

Our job isn't just to "go." We also demonstrate our commitment to God's mission through our prayers. This prayerfulness is demonstrated over and over throughout Acts:

- They prayed for boldness after Peter and John are dragged before the Sanhedrin (Acts 4:23-31).
- Peter prayed regularly (Acts 10:9).
- They prayed and fasted before sending Paul and Barnabas out (Acts 13:1-3).
- They prayed and fasted before appointing elders (Acts 14:23).
- They prayed in prison-which became a witnessing opportunity in prison (Acts 16:25).
- Even the miracles they performed were empowered by prayer (Acts 28:8).

There' no way we can read the Book of Acts and not see the connection between vibrant prayer and the movement of God.

It's often easy to turn to God in times of crisis, but how might we develop a rhythm of prayer that invites God to work with us in our day-to-day tasks so that we are always working in his strength?

## **Get praying**

Pray for an increased sense that God is with you on your frontline.

Pray for eyes to see how your everyday tasks matter and play a part in God's big plans for the world...