

## BIBLE COLLEGE

Eye Openers offers a Bachelor of Theology program over 3 years by correspondence with lecturers brought in to the main church every month for face to face lectures. The degree is under Andhra Pradesh Theological University in Vishakapatnum. Recently another 18 people graduated with the degree.

## STUDY CENTERS

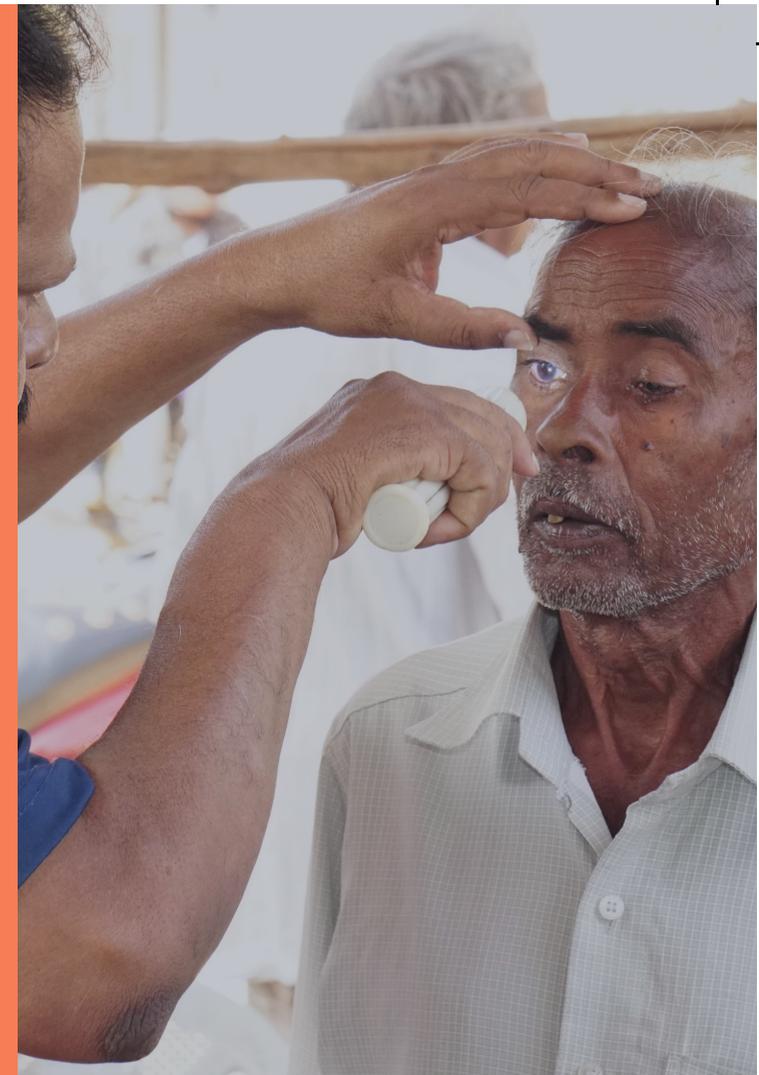
Eye Openers runs five after school study centers in various locations six evenings per week. This enables children from local schools to obtain further tuition with the aim of improving their grades and escaping poverty through education. With better results they are more likely to gain entrance to more prestigious high schools and possibly even university.

## ENDORSEMENTS

Darren Bonnell - North West Church Tamworth / ACC

I first encountered the work of Eye Openers on a trip to India 2014. I was so impacted by their work and heart and so impressed with the people and systems that we committed to financially partner and to personally contribute my time annually. For me the standout quality of Eye Openers is the integrity of both the leadership and organisation.

Rev David Mansfield - CEO Anglican Aid  
Eye Openers is one of the most remarkable Christian ministries led by indigenous Indian leadership that I have encountered in my travels anywhere in the developing world. Anglican Aid has been privileged to partner with Eye Openers since 2011 when I was able to visit the ministry and observe first-hand the wonderfully multi-focussed kingdom building and caring ministries they offer in serving some of India's poorest communities.



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## WHO WE ARE

Eye Openers India was started in 2004 by Dr Kumar, an Indian ophthalmologist who aims to provide free eye care to the very poor in his part of rural India, working from the village of Payakaraopeta, Andhra Pradesh. Over time it has grown to provide:

- Eye Care
- Medical Care
- Bible College
- Children's Study Centers
- Humanitarian Aid
- Pastors' Support
- Widows' Support

Eye Openers International is an Australian not for profit association that has worked in conjunction with Eye Openers India since 2006 to facilitate and support, medical and humanitarian aid projects. It is primarily supported by a small but growing group of generous partners and supporters.

## WHAT WE DO

### MEDICAL

Within 60kms of the Eye Openers hospital there are over 1 million people, the majority of whom live below the poverty line. Free medical eye camps are conducted three times per week across many locations in this area, where free glasses and eye drops are prescribed. Those in need of surgery are directed to the Eye Openers hospital where many people have their vision restored by free cataract surgery, along with other types of surgery when required. This is performed by well trained ophthalmologists, Dr Kumar and Dr Bhaskar. Recent upgrades have seen the installation of advanced equipment for cataract surgery. Every year the team performs over 1000 cataract operations and over 50,000 clinic consultations. It only costs \$35 to perform one life-changing cataract operation.

### PASTORS & WIDOWS

Eye Openers supports over 100 pastors in rural Andhra Pradesh. They live and minister in small, Hindu-populated villages, running their church, preaching weekly and living alongside the people, showing God's love in practical ways. This includes basic medical care obtained from training courses in first aid and basic medical skills Eye Openers has provided. The pastors meet together every month for fellowship, sharing and accountability. Dr Kumar and the Senior Pastor, John David oversee this. We give the pastors a living allowance each month to support them and their family.

The churches range in size from 10 to 200 people. Every month there are baptisms of new converts. Additionally, over 30 Christian widows are supported each month through Eye Openers. They are able to work alongside other women in their villages in a way that men cannot and are thus often referred to as Bible Women. Supporters are allocated a specific pastor/widow and reports are received on a regular basis from India to keep you informed. Cost of monthly support: \$35 for pastors, \$18 for widows

