

Find out how you can Pray. Participate. Provide.

When you see a firetruck, ambulance or police car, pray for first responders who may encounter a horrible situation. Pray also individuals in churches will reach out to first responders and show them the love of Jesus Christ. Brave men and women, many of whom are volunteers, are willing to lay down their lives for their neighbors. If they did, they would die without Christ. We know how serious that is. Third, pray they hear, receive and accept the gospel!

PARTICIPATE

Chaplains serve as an extension of the local church in places that other members and church staff sometimes cannot go. Explore the opportunities to extend the reach of your church by becoming a chaplain in one of the many settings where chaplains bring gospel ministry with compassion and convictional kindness. Be involved in supporting chaplains and their families. Pray for chaplains and their families.

PROVIDE

NAMB does not provide compensation for SBC endorsed chaplains. However, a general fund is available to receive donations in support of the ministry and pastoral care to SBC endorsed chaplains. To donate, please visit Support Chaplaincy (missionaries.namb.net/projects/full/cha plaincy).

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About the Family

I am a retired career law enforcement officer and volunteer firefighter/rescue specialist and emergency medical technician. During my career in law enforcement, I served as a patrol supervisor and supervisor of the crime scene investigations unit.

In my career, I have been involved in many critical incidents. A critical incident is an event that causes unusually strong emotional or stress reaction. I got through these critical incidents with my faith and the love, prayers and support of my family and especially my church pastor. Unfortunately, most young emergency responders don't have a church home. Most don't know the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I also serve as a unit leader/chaplain in Southern Baptist Disaster Relief.

About My Ministry

After fully retiring from public safety (having served as a first responder and chaplain) I now devote my time to Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, serving as a Recovery Unit leader and as an SBC-endorsed disaster chaplain. I remain available and on call for Critical Incident Stress debriefings and interventions (CISM).

My heart is always for the first responders. Across our nation, there are more than a million law enforcement officers, career and volunteer firefighters, and emergency medical providers. Unfortunately, many of these brave men and women do not know the Lord. They are willing to lay down their lives for their neighbors and communities, and most will perish without Christ. The church needs to reach out to them. They are an unserved mission field many times on the same street as the local church.