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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MELBOURNE

Find out how you can
Pray.
Participate.
Provide.

PRAY.

Pray for boldness to share the gospel and open hearts among the people to whom I minister.
Pray for people to come to saving faith in Jesus.
Pray for more to become missionaries and chaplains.

PARTICIPATE

Commit to long-term prayer support. Explore the opportunities to extend your church's reach by becoming a chaplain. Be involved in supporting chaplains and their families. Send notes of encouragement. Talk with a chaplain about his or her ministry context. Send resources that support a chaplain's ministry context. Pray for chaplains and their families.

PROVIDE

Learn the ministry strategy and context, so you can provide relevant resources. Support a missionary financially.

About the Family

I was blessed to grow up in a Christian family in Dayton, Ohio, where a love for the Lord and a commitment to sharing the gospel were always a priority. I am a married mother of two adult children with four wonderful grandchildren, all of whom currently live near us in Melbourne, Florida.

I have always had a heart for missions and was blessed to serve as an International Missions Board Journeyman to Tanzania as a young nurse. Until my retirement in 2021, I worked as a registered nurse, nurse administrator, and professional development specialist. God has allowed me to participate in many short-term mission trips and serve in teaching and music ministries through my church.

About My Ministry

I am an SBC-endorsed healthcare chaplain. As a healthcare professional, I always considered and tried to address my patients' spiritual needs. I felt God calling me to prepare myself to better serve my patients and our staff. I completed a master's degree in chaplaincy prior to retiring from my professional development position. Soon after my retirement, I began volunteering as a part-time chaplain in the pastoral care department of one of the hospitals of my former employer.

I currently meet and minister to patients, families, and staff routinely each week, as well as coming in for emergency needs several nights a month. My desire is to help those in their time of need to see that God loves them and desires to have a relationship with them through Jesus Christ.