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CITY CHURCH GASTONIA

About the Family

I was born in Charlotte, N.C., but grew up in Memphis, Tenn. In the summer of 1981, I began my lifelong journey with Christ.

In college, I befriended a woman who later became my English tutor and ultimately my wife, Brenda. We were married the same weekend I graduated from college in May 1993. Our family quickly grew. We welcomed our daughter, Ariel, in July 1994, followed by Danielle in February 1996, Bethany in July 1997, Mikayla in January 2000 and Elijah in March 2002.

My family is close, and we enjoy time together. Our key interests are Christ, comic book movies, Carolina Panthers football, board games and vacations, especially theme parks.

About My Ministry

I am an SBC-endorsed healthcare/hospital chaplain in Charlotte, N.C. After years of serving in the local church, I felt led to serve in my current capacity. I believe God can more effectively use me in chaplaincy as I can fully relate personally to those going through times of suffering, crisis or questioning. I have the professional training, experience and compassion to truly benefit those in need.

I pursued chaplaincy because I discovered I had the skills of helping people during some of the most challenging times of their lives. After positive exposure to chaplaincy in both the passing of my mother and father in a hospital and hospice house setting, I explored chaplaincy and found it to be the right fit for a new horizon of ministry. I am committed to chaplaincy as both my vocation and calling.

Find out how you can

Pray.

Participate.

Provide.

PRAY.

Pray for opportunities to build and provide care for struggling healthcare teammates.

Pray that through this ministry, more people would see the love of Christ through the ministry to which He has called me.

Pray for stamina and longevity for ministry amidst attacks from the enemy.

PARTICIPATE

Commit to long-term prayer support. Explore the opportunities to extend the reach of your church 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.