



Find out how you can **Pray. Participate. Provide.** 

### PRAY.

Pray for boldness to share the gospel. Pray for creativity in ways to build relationships with and provide encouragement to medical staff. Pray that through this ministry, more people would come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

Pray for stamina and longevity for ministry amidst attacks from the enemy. Pray for the pastoral care department at UTMB - that we would continue to stand strong, be healthy, and provide care in the midst of the pandemic.

### 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.

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## About the Family

I am a hospital chaplain serving at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston, Texas. I grew up in Houston. I graduated from Texas Tech University, and then from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Arts in Christian Education and a concentration in recreation.

I love being a chaplain and sharing the hope we have in Jesus Christ. When I am not at the hospital, I enjoy going to the beach, hiking, photography, gardening and playing with my cat. I also serve on the board of directors for a Christian youth camp in Marble Falls, Texas. I enjoy camping and what camping ministry can reveal to people about God, His creation and His love for us.

I have a younger brother who is married with three children. My father passed away from a brain tumor in 2009, and my mother lives with me in Galveston.

### About My Ministry

I have been a board-certified chaplain for five years, and I have enjoyed it tremendously. I kind of fell into chaplaincy with the help of my mother who knew about the clinical pastoral education (CPE) program at Baylor Scott and White in Temple, Texas, where she was living. I applied, interviewed and was accepted on the spot.

After my year of CPE, I completed a fellowship in pediatric chaplaincy at McLane Children's Medical Center, also in Temple, Texas. I then accepted a position at the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston.

It is a blessing to meet people and be with them during difficult times. God uses me to bring peace, hope and comfort in times of distress. It is amazing what listening and encouragement can do in a person's life.