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Through Dynamic  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mark Bardsley,  
President



Well Here WE Are! .....the last installment of my Presidency's Journal Communications to the members of this 46 year old charitable organization. ICPC originated in February of 1973 due to three Internal Revenue Service Agents that died in a tragic accident. A small group of ministers and law enforcement agencies realized that there was a profound need for intervention for officers, agencies and survivors in each major crisis in which public safety was involved. In June of 1973 a letter was sent to the president of 175 police associations, chiefs of police of major departments across the United States, and law enforcement chaplains. Two distinctive goals for a proposed association emerged:

1. Compile a directory of chaplains, including their department or police association affiliation and contact information as to how they could be reached.
2. Promote the bond of brotherhood so chaplains from far reaching communities in the United States and Canada would be joined together in fellowship. The association would serve as a clearing house for helpful information pertinent to police chaplains.

By October of 1973 the first group of chaplains gathered in Washington, D.C. for the purpose of organizing the International Corporation of Police Chaplains (ICPC) then changed to The International Conference of Police Chaplains at a later meeting. For the first time, chaplains from every part of the North America had a forum to share their experiences, concerns, hopes and dreams for law enforcement chaplaincy. Those first objectives have been met.

Ever since those days ICPC has taken its mission seriously in "*Developing Professional Chaplains*"

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*through Dynamic Education and Support" as well as pushing to become the industry standard for law enforcement chaplaincy training. There have been many denominations and faith based groups who have brought strength to their denominational chaplains. But ICPC drives to accentuate training that recognizes and services all chaplains regardless of faith base. ICPC looks to support all professional chaplains that understand the intensity of the moment and minister with a passion and reverence for the client's unique needs.*

You will soon hear President Elect Neal's goals and objectives for 2019 and beyond. ICPC has literally been working through the previous two administrations to finalize our core curriculum. As soon as that goal is accomplished we will focus on an International curriculum that meets the needs of growing national programs. Culturally and fundamentally chaplaincy outside of North America is different. ICPC must meet the challenge of training world class chaplains in every nation when it is called upon to assist. Our curriculum must always meet the needs of chaplains on the ground in their cultures and for their nation's best interest. International is at the heart of ICPC and we need to provide more for our members throughout the world.

Most people would agree that our agencies are under fire and being scrutinized.. ... and that is true of chaplaincy programs too. New political and legal challenges are testing and will continue to test the fiber of chaplaincy. And ICPC must be ready to give an answer on chaplaincy purpose and objectives. We must tighten our ranks and come together resolved to not only bring credibility to chaplaincy, but aggressively prove its worth in a skeptical world. Your new leadership team in this administrative term will need encouragement and support to move us forward and impact our officers and those they serve. As I pledge my support to soon to be President Neal – I challenge you to become involved and invested in ICPC!

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the law enforcement community across the world. It has been a great privilege to represent our ICPC team these last two years as President. A singular parting question I leave each to member, "What Will You Do In The Next Two Years To Make ICPC A Stronger Better Institution?" The answer to that will make your chaplaincy and our institution more robust and effective, or weaker and less compelling.

Push for more! Strive for excellence and meet the needs of your hurting world!

All the Best and Blessings!

  
ICPC President 2017 - 2019

# FROM THE EDITOR

CHAPLAIN JOHN HARTH

Greetings all.

I write with mixed emotions, as this is my final column as Editor of THE JOURNAL.

The health issues I referred to last month bit me pretty hard, and I am in the midst of a holistic program of recovery: physical, mental, emotional and spiritual. My weekdays are spent in St. Louis, weekends I am back for services in the parish in Jackson, MO.

As a result, I will miss my first ATS since becoming an ICPC member. It is just one of many things I am unable to attend as the journey continues. Presumably, I'll be back in top form in a few months.

A large part of my issues has to do with stress. I find that I am not as young as I used to be, and that coupled with an inability to say "no" and foolishly not asking for help got me overwhelmed. Your prayers have been most welcome.

The newly elected president will appoint a successor. I thank all the presidents under whom I've served, and especially thank you, my fellow members, for your kind words and support. If you have editorial experience and/or might be interested in serving as editor, please advise the office.

Many challenges face us in chaplaincy, among them courting new, younger members to service and helping them to understand the value of the training, networking, resources and fellowship ICPC offers. May we all work together in laying the foundation for our future. I hope to see you next year in Orlando!

God bless.

And be careful out there.



Chaplain John Harth presently volunteers with the United States Secret Service, Missouri State Highway Patrol, and multiple other law enforcement agencies.



# WHY SHOULD I ATTEND the ICPC ATS in WICHITA?

Pam Neal, ICPC President-Elect

I am glad you asked. There are many good reasons for attending the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Seminar in Wichita July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>.

One of the most important reasons to attend is the opportunity for the best training in the world for law enforcement chaplains. You will have the choice of classes from:

- 3 Advanced Classes
- 12 ICPC Basic Classes
- 40 Enrichment Classes
- 6 Liaison Classes

If you are pursuing a Basic Credential, you will be able to complete all 12 required “B” classes during the week. You can choose from 40 Enrichment Classes on a wide variety of topics to add to your academic credits for credentialing and enjoy the variety of topics each day. If you want to pursue a more intense learning environment and concentrate on one subject you can spend the full class time in an Advanced Class. You can complete the Liaison Courses required for the Liaison credential. This will be an incredible week of training opportunities that we only see once a year at an ATS.

As you add to your training and knowledge, you are building training credits towards the next credential level. The ICPC credentials add to our credibility as chaplains in our agencies and our communities. It is also recognized by other organizations that ICPC trained chaplains have the knowledge and skills to assist in many difficult situations.

Another great reason for attending the 2019 ATS – Have you earned your Basic, Senior, Master, Diplomat, or Fellow credential? The ATS is the perfect place to acquire classroom credit toward future credential levels. Perhaps you have earned that next level and will be recognized at the banquet on Thursday night. Let us recognize your accomplishments at the ATS.

A third great reason for attending the ATS is to build your network of law enforcement chaplains. It is a great feeling to have a person come to mind when you need the assistance of a chaplain in another area and be able to call that chaplain for help. At the ATS, you build your own network of chaplains that can be of assistance to you and your agency in the future. As an ICPC member you have a network of over 2,500 law enforcement chaplains worldwide who can assist you when needed in times such as making death notifications out of your geographic area. Your network of chaplains is a valuable asset in serving your officers and community.

A final great reason for attending the ATS is to enjoy fellowship with old friends and new ones. Spending time talking and enjoying both old and new friendships is a way to recharge our batteries and enable us to return to our agencies and communities refreshed and renewed to continue serving as chaplains. The most favorite part of the ATS for me is to have a week of sweet fellowship with the many dedicated men and women who give so much to serve others.

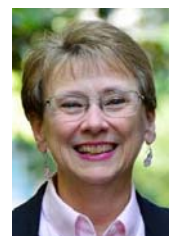
Besides the classes, the ATS will be filled with other events that are so meaningful to chaplains. The Monday Night Mixer will be lots of fun and a great time to meet new people. You will want to attend the Tuesday and Thursday Business Meetings during the week to know what is happening within ICPC and how you can be part of it. There will be a Memorial Service to honor law enforcement officers (LODD) of all the countries represented at the ATS who have lost their lives in the line of duty as well as our chaplains who have passed since the last ATS. The Banquet on Thursday night will be a grand event where awards will be given and credentials recognized as well as the newly elected officers installed. The entire week is full of events and activities. I have often heard from those who attend that this is one conference where you can feel like you get your money’s worth. Even if your agency does not fund or fully fund your expenses, the cost of the ATS is an investment in your chaplaincy. It is a worthy investment of your time and resources to attend the 2019 ATS in Wichita.

What is your favorite reason for attending the 2019 ATS? My favorite thing will be to see you there.

Please go to the [ICPC website \(icpc4cops.org\)](http://icpc4cops.org) for registration forms today.

I hope I will see you at the 2019 ATS in Wichita in July.

Pam Neal has been a member of ICPC since 1999, is the President-Elect, and is a Certified ICPC Instructor. She serves the Knoxville Police Department (TN).





# International Conference of Police Chaplains



## 46TH ANNUAL TRAINING SEMINAR WICHITA, KS ~ JULY 22-26, 2019

SEMINAR FEES**:		
LODGING <u>NOT</u> INCLUDED		
Tracks:	Member	Non-Member
Basic Enrichment Liaison	\$315.00	\$470.00
Advance <small>*A01 CISM Accredited</small>	\$475.00	\$710.00

**\*\*Late fee of \$85.00 after June 28, 2019**



### CONFERENCE AND LODGING:

Hyatt Regency Wichita  
400 W. Waterman  
Wichita, KS 67202

[www.hyatt.com/Wichita](http://www.hyatt.com/Wichita)

### RESERVATIONS:

Discount Code: **Mention ICPC**  
316-293-1234—Direct  
800-233-1234—Toll Free

### ROOM RATES

Single Occupancy: **\$129.00**  
Double Occupancy: **\$139.00**  
Room rate/block guaranteed until:  
**June 28, 2019**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Airport—Wichita Dwight D.  
Eisenhower Airport (ICT)

**Brochure and Registration are  
available on our website**

[www.icpc4cops.org](http://www.icpc4cops.org)

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# **NEWS FLASH!**

**Where are the **Ruby Red** slippers?  
Somewhere in Kansas**

**Come to the 2019 ATS in Wichita, Kansas to help us  
find them!**

**DATES JULY 22-26, 2019**

**International Conference of Police Chaplains**

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**WICHITA, KS ~ JULY 22-26, 2019**

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Room rate/block guaranteed until:  
**June 28, 2019**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Airport—Wichita Dwight D.  
Eisenhower Airport (ICT)

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website: [www.icpc4cops.org](http://www.icpc4cops.org)**

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## ICPC ANNUAL TRAINING SEMINARS

For more information: [www.icpc4cops.org](http://www.icpc4cops.org)



**2019 ATS**  
Hyatt Regency  
Wichita, KS  
**July 22-26, 2019**






**2020 ATS**  
Hyatt Regency  
Grand Cypress  
Orlando, FL  
**July 13-17, 2020**








**2021 ATS**  
Hyatt Regency  
At Gainey Ranch  
Scottsdale, AZ  
**July 12-16, 2021**



# REGION DIRECTORS

<b>Position Vacant</b>					
<b>Region 1</b>	<b>Region 2</b> Mike Ryan	<b>Region 3</b> Steve Breitbarth	<b>Region 4</b> John Putnam	<b>Region 5</b> Dan Schafer	<b>Region 6</b> Paul Ellis

			<b>Position Vacant</b>		
<b>Region 7</b> Bart Leger	<b>Region 8</b> Glenn Davenport	<b>Region 9</b> Andy Kikuta	<b>Region 10</b>	<b>Region 11</b> Kibinge Wa Muturi	<b>Region 12</b> Gary Welsh

## REGION RESOURCES

For information on ICPC Regions, please visit our website: [icpc4cops.org](http://icpc4cops.org)—Regions

<b>Page Selections:</b>	<b>Description</b>
Region Directors	Provides contact information by Region
Area Representatives	Provides a listing by State/Area of the Representative and contact information.
Region Map	Graphic containing the global regions of ICPC.
Region Training Seminars	Lists upcoming training dates, locations, host contact information, brochure for current and/or upcoming training events, and accommodation links.
Region News and Links	Links to regional websites for news and additional information.

### MEMBERS ONLY SECTION

To register for the Members Only Section of the ICPC website you must use the email currently on file with the Corporate Office.

Email changes to:  
**[icpc@icpc4cops.org](mailto:icpc@icpc4cops.org)**

### MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Please verify your contact information:

**Members Only Section  
Members Roster**

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[coffeewithacop.com](http://coffeewithacop.com)



## STANDING COMMITTEES

	<b>Advisory</b> Wes McDuffie Grand Prairie, TX		<b>Bylaws</b> Robert Cornelius Casa Grande, AZ		<b>Credential</b> Richard S. Kassel Indianapolis, IN
	<b>Development</b> Ronald J. White Chicago Heights, IL		<b>Disaster</b> Tamra Gore Benton, AR		<b>Diversity</b> Paul Bains Palo Alto, CA
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	<b>Executive</b> Mark Bardsley Marion, IN		<b>Finance</b> Robert Cornelius Casa Grande, AZ		<b>International</b> Gary Welsh Jamaica
	<b>Liaison</b> Robert C. Daniel Springfield, MO		<b>Membership</b> Frank J. O'Laughlin LaCrosse, WI		<b>Nominating</b> Chris Dotson Morristown, TN
	<b>Public Relations</b> Bart Leger Lake Charles, LA		<b>Spiritual</b> Diane Peterson Anchorage, AK	<p>Committee Chairs are appointed by the President and will typically serve two years in conjunction with the President's term of office. Committee Chairs may serve additional years.</p>	

## PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTED

	<b>Academic Registrar</b> John Transue Dillsburg, PA		<b>Contract Endorser</b> Robert Cornelius Casa Grande, AZ		<b>Journal Editor</b> John M. Harth Jackson, MO
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	<b>Resident Agent</b> Conant Carr Las Cruces, NM		<b>Strategic Planning</b> Jim Crowley Bend, OR		<b>Conference Director</b> Frank O'Laughlin LaCrosse, WI

## 2019 Executive Officer Nomination Timeline

July 31, 2017	Nominations open for President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary
January 23, 2019	Nominating Committee provides slate of approved candidates. Include an electronic 5x7 color photograph (JPG) and bio (Word format) to the Corporate Office for inclusion in the March edition of the ICPC Journal <b>180 calendar days</b> preceding the Annual Training Seminar elections
March 10, 2019	Journal article announcing Nominating Committee slate of approved candidates
April 23, 2019	Closing of “Floor” nominations <b>90 calendar days</b> preceding the opening ceremonies of the Annual Training Seminar  Completed Officer Nomination Form N-2012 and all confirmation documents for Floor nominations must be submitted to the Corporate Office via fax 850-654-9742 or Email: <a href="mailto:icpc@icpc4cops.org">icpc@icpc4cops.org</a> <b>no later than mid-night April 23, 2019 (90 calendar days)</b> preceding the opening ceremonies of the Annual Training Seminar
April 24, 2019	Corporate Office presents all submitted “Floor” nominations to the Nominating Committee for verification process
May 23, 2019	No later than <b>30 calendar days</b> after Floor nominations close Nominating Committee provides slate of all approved candidates to the ICPC Office along with an electronic passport color photograph (JPG) and bio (Word) for inclusion in the June edition of the ICPC Journal
June 10, 2019	Journal article announcing all approved candidates
July 22, 2019	Candidates presented to the attendees of the Annual Training Seminar
July 24, 2019	Candidates Forum – Wednesday 7:15 pm
July 25, 2019	Election of Officers
July 25, 2019	Announce election results at the Thursday Business Meeting
July 25, 2019	Officers presented at the Banquet and sworn in
September 2019	Journal Article announcing new officers

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S SLATE OF 2019-2021

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER CANDIDATES

### President

(automatic)



#### **Pam Neal**

Volunteer Chaplain Coordinator  
Knoxville Police Department  
Knoxville, TN  
Baptist  
ICPC Credentialed—Diplomate

### President-Elect



#### **Ronnie White**

Volunteer Chaplain  
Chicago Heights Police Department  
Chicago Heights, IL  
Non-Denominational  
ICPC Credentialed—Diplomate

### Secretary



#### **Cyndee Thomas**

(incumbent)  
Emeritus Chaplain  
Redding Police Department  
Roseville, CA  
Non-Denominational  
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow

### Vice-President



#### **Jim Bontrager**

Volunteer Chaplain  
Elkhart Police Department  
Elkhart, IN  
Non-Denominational  
ICPC Credentialed—Master

### Treasurer



#### **Bob Cornelius**

(incumbent)  
Volunteer Chaplain  
Casa Grande Police Department  
Casa Grande, AZ  
Baptist  
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



#### **Paul Ellis**

Volunteer Chaplain  
Maricopa Police Department  
Maricopa, AZ  
Assemblies of God  
ICPC Credentialed—Master



#### **Bob Fiers**

Volunteer Chaplain  
Indiana Guard Reserve  
Non-Denominational  
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



#### **Gary Malkus**

Volunteer Chaplain  
United States Secret Service  
Apple Valley, CA  
Calvary Chapel  
ICPC Credentialed—Fellow



#### **Bob Heath**

Volunteer Chaplain  
Joplin Police Department  
Joplin, MO  
Non-Denominational  
ICPC Credentialed—Diplomate

## QUALIFICATIONS TO HOLD OFFICE

<b>President-Elect</b>	<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Treasurer/CFO</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years</li> <li>• ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above)</li> <li>• Attended at least 5 Annual Training Seminars and Regional Training Seminars in the previous 5 years</li> <li>• Exhibited involvement in the activities of their Region and/or Area</li> <li>• Participated in ICPC committee work</li> <li>• Demonstrated organizational leadership skills and abilities</li> <li>• Served in the office of Vice President</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years</li> <li>• ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above)</li> <li>• Attended at least 5 Annual Training Seminars and Regional Training Seminars in the previous 5 years</li> <li>• Exhibited involvement in the activities of their Region and/or Area</li> <li>• Participated in ICPC committee work</li> <li>• Demonstrated organizational leadership skills and abilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years</li> <li>• ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above)</li> <li>• Possess strong knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order</li> <li>• Experienced in record keeping</li> <li>• Possess professional writing skills</li> <li>• Experienced in conducting business meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full member in good standing for the previous 5 years</li> <li>• ICPC Credentialed (Senior or above)</li> <li>• Have at least 2 years of experience in business finance in such areas as accounting, bookkeeping, non-profit organization accounting and record keeping, investments and endowments</li> <li>• Ability to generate and present a corporate financial report</li> </ul>

### VOTING

Open to all Full, Retired or Life Members of ICPC in good standing. Voting will be at the Annual Training Seminar, Wichita, KS, Thursday, July 25, 2019.

## *2019 Election Procedures*

Elections will be held during this year's ATS for the following ICPC Executive Office:

President-Elect  
Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer

Open to Full, Retired or Life Members of ICPC in good standing. Updates and/or changes to membership must be submitted to the corporate office: [icpc@icpc4cops.org](mailto:icpc@icpc4cops.org) **NO LATER** than **June 28, 2019**



# WHAT IF JESUS TAUGHT THE POLICE ACADEMY?

Charles Dahlinger

We know police academies do a great job in preparing future officers. But what if Jesus was an instructor at a police academy? What if the ten commandments were enforced? Strength, integrity, courage, and wisdom are all traits that Jesus possessed and are the still traits we ask for in our police officers too. While these traits are important, additional qualities must be shared with law enforcement officers such as compassion, grace and humbleness which Jesus has taught us. While Jesus definitely had these qualities, they are still very important to teach newer officers as well.

Through teachings, the bible has taught us on dealing with evil. Even today, modern law enforcement officers deal with evilness and wickedness on a daily basis. Many have referred to police officers as "God's Angels" as he can not be everywhere. So many times, police officers are called upon to face and deal with evil. How an officer confronts evil can be relied upon the verse a popular verse from Psalm 23:4 "even though I walk through the shadow of death, I will fear no evil". A verse officers have known all too well when it comes to the performance of their occupation. We know there is fear when doing this profession, but police officers have an amazing ability to put fear to aside during high stressful situations, something that comes through their faith in training, experience, education and most importantly in the Lord. They are dealing with dangerous issues at hand, all while controlling the fright and trepidation within them.

Psalm 106:3 says "Blessed are those

who maintain justice", a reference to law enforcement in today's world. This message is something police officers can take to heart as they do their job every day. We know through this passage, God seemed to single out those who uphold the law on a regular basis. Jesus would remind police officers that we enforce the law passionately not personally. It is also during these times police officers can commonly deal with "compassion fatigue", an issue that Jesus would remind police recruits to remain with a level of empathy and sympathy. We know that often there is a need for kindheartedness. Jesus would instruct police officers to have inter strength when it comes to dealing with victims.

As an academy director, Jesus would continue to provide teachings of the Lord, which would make all law enforcement even better than what we are. Jesus' words would resonate with recruits on dealing with what may come before them. As a reminder of the concept "guardians", we continue to try and maintain order for communities, as Jesus was a guardian for mankind himself. When it comes down to a class section of laws, city and local ordinances, state and federal laws, these probably would not be discussed. The focus would remain on the main laws put forth, those being that of the ten commandments. Still a bedrock of principles that have stood the test of time.

We know policing is not easy. Jesus would have reminded officers of this, with suggestions of their shield is their faith. A reminder of Corinthians 16:13

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"be on your guard; stand firm in the faith be men of courage; be strong". A passage that also can relate to the profession of law enforcement. We know that spiritually healthy law enforcement officers enforce the law fairly and professionally. On the job learning comes down to a series of baptisms by fire. It is these incidents where Jesus would continue to remind and prepare a police academy. Jesus' teachings would remind officers of a moral compass and to do the right thing. History has shown how Jesus spread the good news and teachings of God's word.

The Bible also has many implications for police officers, as in Jeremiah 46:4 "put on your armor", as something that can be stressed to police recruits. Not just a Kevlar vest, but the armor of faith remains so important in dealings which come upon police officers during the course of their duties. The faith we share to do the profession safely and honorably. Further teachings from Jesus would remind recruits to conduct simple acts of kindness; reminding them police give their communities hope. Something which is expressed through out the bible in countless verses.

Even today we realize the teachings of Jesus can pertain to modern law enforcement. By taking Jesus' teachings through that of the bible, we could potentially see an improvement in positive attitude and work of new police officers. We know Jesus made the "ultimate sacrifice" for our sins, let us never forgot those officers who have also made the sacrifice too. Just imagine how great police officers would be should they hear him instruct their academy.

Chuck Dahlinger can be reached at [powerpolicing@gmail.com](mailto:powerpolicing@gmail.com) and conducts a training seminar across the United States

## Chaplain Memoriam



**Elbert "Eddie" Giles**

DOD: 2/5/2019

Condolences to:  
6021 Yukon Drive  
Shreveport, LA 71107



**Wilbert H. Gray, Sr.**

DOD: 2/23/2019

Condolences to:  
7932 Fiske Ave  
Glenarden, MD 20706

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**ICPC'S**  
**PRAYER CHAIN**

EMAIL REQUESTS TO:  
[ICPC@ICPC4COPS.ORG](mailto:ICPC@ICPC4COPS.ORG)



**George W. Wick**

DOD: 1/2/2019  
Soudan, MN

Condolences :  
None Available  
Forward Mail Canceled

A day of grief is  
longer than a  
year of joy!

# I Now Pronounce You...

*Tennessee law enforcement chaplains now authorized to solemnize marriages*

By: Chaplain Howard Kirkland  
Knoxville, TN

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- In May 2019, Tennessee became the first state in the U.S. to explicitly authorize law enforcement chaplains to solemnize marriages.

## BACKGROUND ON TENNESSEE LAW

Like many states, Tennessee law defines two broad categories of people who can solemnize marriages: *church* and *state*.

The *church* category includes “all regular ministers, preachers, pastors, priests, rabbis and other religious leaders of every religious belief,” and recognizes the authority of churches to determine who can represent them in solemnizing marriages by appointing (i.e., ordaining) them, in conformity with their own customs, by a “considered, deliberate, and responsible act.”

The *state* category recognizes the authority of the State of Tennessee to designate persons in certain civil positions (either elected or appointed) to solemnize marriages on behalf of the state, including members of county legislative bodies, city and county mayors, judges, county clerks, the governor, and now, *law enforcement chaplains*.

## EXPLAINING THE ISSUE TO LEGISLATORS

An issue brief prepared for state legislators on the issue of authorizing law enforcement chaplains to solemnize marriages offered the following background information on the duties performed by chaplains.

*While the specific duties of law enforcement chaplains can vary from agency to agency, their primary purpose is to provide spiritual support and encouragement to law enforcement officers, agency employees, and their families. In addition, law enforcement chaplains frequently find themselves providing spiritual support, comfort, and assistance to members of the community in crisis. Because chaplains encounter people of all faith backgrounds (including those with no faith background), and because their training enables them to assist people in what can be some of the worst times of their lives, chaplains are sometimes asked to perform functions (e.g., weddings or funerals) for law enforcement officers or members of the community that we typically think would be performed by pastors or other spiritual leaders.*

The brief went on to inform legislators why they were being asked to change Tennessee law to allow law enforcement chaplains to solemnize marriages.

*While many law enforcement chaplains are ministers ordained in their faith and would otherwise qualify to solemnize marriages under T.C.A. § 36-3-301 (a)(1), many other chaplains are not ordained religious leaders, but have received specific training and/or been selected by the leaders of their respective law enforcement agencies, and determined to be qualified to serve their agencies as chaplains under the guidelines prescribed by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Lemon v. Kurtzman*. The challenge is that the law enforcement officers and members of the public who have developed relationships with a chaplain and then wish to ask them to perform a funeral service or wedding ceremony often make no distinction between chaplains who are ordained*

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# OFFICIAL NOTICE

The Annual meeting of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) will be held in Wichita, KS, July 22-26, 2019.

Business to be conducted will include: receiving reports of the officers and committees, acting upon recommendations of the same, setting the 2019-2020 budget, elections, and any other business necessary and proper to come before said meeting.

## Articles, News, Notes, Comments, and Suggestions

We'd like articles, news, notes, perspectives, and/or opinions on ICPC programs and publications.

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# LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

*EOW (End of Watch) Dates: February 16, 2019 through May 15, 2019  
Click on Officer's name to link to ODMP article*

## Arizona

**Officer Paul Rutherford**  
Phoenix Police Department  
EOW: Thursday, March 21, 2019  
Cause: Struck by vehicle

## California

**Sergeant Steven L. Licon**  
California Highway Patrol  
EOW: Saturday, April 6, 2019  
Cause: Struck by vehicle

## Colorado

**Corporal Daniel H. Groves**  
Colorado State Patrol  
EOW: Wednesday, March 13, 2019  
Cause: Struck by Vehicle

## Florida

**Lieutenant Daniel Duane Hinton**  
Florida Highway Patrol  
EOW: Tuesday, February 19, 2019  
Cause: Heart Attack

**Officer Anthony Neri**  
Sanibel Police Department  
EOW: Monday, May 6, 2019  
Cause: Heart Attack

## Georgia

**Deputy Spencer Allen Englett**  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Thursday, April 4, 2019  
Cause: Duty Related Illness

**Sergeant Kelvin Ansari**  
Savannah Police Department  
EOW: Saturday, May 11, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

## Illinois

**Deputy Jacob Howard Keltner**  
McHenry County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Thursday, March 7, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

**Trooper Brooke Jones-Story**  
Illinois State Police  
EOW: Thursday, March 28, 2019  
Cause: Struck by Vehicle

**Trooper Gerald Wayne Ellis**  
Illinois State Police  
EOW: Saturday, March 30, 2019  
Cause: Automobile crash

## Maine

**Detective Benjamin J. Campbell**  
Maine State Police  
EOW: Wednesday, April 3, 2019  
Cause: Accidental

## Maryland

**Officer Kyle Olinger**  
Montgomery County Police Department  
EOW: Thursday, April 18, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

## Minnesota

**Conservation Officer Eugene Wynn, Jr.**  
Dept. of Natural Resources - Enforcement Division  
EOW: Friday, April 19, 2019  
Cause: Drowned

## Mississippi

**Constable Willie Houston "Hoot" West**  
Lowndes County Constable's Office  
EOW: Thursday, May 9, 2019  
Cause: Automobile Crash

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## LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

*EOW (End of Watch) Dates: February 16, 2019  
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**Officer Robert McKeithen**  
Biloxi Police Department  
EOW: Sunday, May 5, 2019  
Cause:

### North Carolina

**K9 Officer Jordan Harris Sheldon**  
Mooresville Police Department  
EOW: Saturday, May 4, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

### Oklahoma

**Undersheriff Monty Thomas Johnson**  
Pawnee County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Thursday, February 21, 2019  
Cause: Automobile Crash

### Tennessee

**Officer Nicholas Galinger**  
Chattanooga Police Department  
EOW: Sunday, February 24, 2019  
Cause: Vehicular Rum

**Sergeant Steve Hinkle**  
Sullivan County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Tuesday, February 26, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

**Trooper Matthew Elias Gatti**  
Tennessee Highway Patrol  
EOW: Monday, May 6, 2019  
Cause: Automobile Crash

### Texas

**Officer Nathan Hayden Heidelberg**  
Midland Police Department  
EOW: Tuesday, March 5, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

### **Deputy Peter Herrera**

El Paso County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Sunday, March 24, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

### Virginia

#### **K9 Doby**

Fairfax County Police Department  
EOW: Friday, February 22, 2019  
Cause: Duty related illness

### Washington

#### **Deputy Ryan Shane Thompson**

Kittitas County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Tuesday, March 19, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

#### **Deputy Justin Richard DeRosier**

Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office  
EOW: Sunday, April 14, 2019  
Cause: Gunfire

### Federal

#### **SAC Liguat A. "Leo" Khan**

US Army Criminal Investigation Division  
EOW: Tuesday, April 30, 2019  
Cause: Heart Attack

## **Line of Duty Death MEMORIAL PROGRAM**

On April 17, 1984, the Arkansas Miller County Sheriff's Department received the first ICPC Line of Duty Death (LODD) memorial.

Upon notification of a LODD from the Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP), ICPC prepares a memorial for presentation to the agency and family.

The memorials and letters expressing our condolence on their loss are presented to the agency head, with a courtesy copy for the deceased officer's family.

Memorial Program donations are tax deductible, please consider partnering with us in this vital ministry.

We invite you to partner with us to continue this vital ministry of compassion to those who have experienced a Line of Duty Death (LODD).

**Support the LODD Memorial Program  
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# NEW MEMBERS

Dates: February 16, 2018 through May 15, 2019

## Region 1

Timothy B. MacKinnon	Saskatchewan	Canada
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## Region 2

Kenny S. Engelking	Keizer	OR
Lloyd L. Stock	Spokane	WA
Mickey L. Tuter	Spokane	WA
Nick R. Williams	Molalla	OR

## Region 3

Jonathan W. Haataja	Esko	MN
Darla K. Hadrick	Selby	SD
David E. Hall	Cloquet	MN
Michael R. Sonju	Fargo	ND

## Region 4

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Forrest M. Anderson	Franklin	WI
Nathan G. Blank	Janesville	WI
Shawn D. Bott	LaCrosse	WI
Penny L. Dahl	Marshall	WI
Jennifer H. Dahle	Wausau	WI
Donnie L. Dawes	Carrolton	KY
John W. Decker	Centerville	OH
Rick L. Goff	Arbor Vitae	WI
Eric R. Holmgren	Cleveland	WI
Ricky D. Kinartail	Whitestown	IN
John P. Kowalczyk	Cedar Lake	IN
Ralph E. Lemmon	Indianapolis	IN
Dustin L. Little	Greenfield	WI
Robert B. Love	Wausau	WI
Garry T. Mitchell	Bowling Green	KY
William E. Osmanski	Centerville	OH

## Region 4

Jeffrey L. Perry	Heath	OH
Alex Pickens	Okemos	MI
Kennth J. Puent	Cedar Lake	IN
Teresa G. Ritchey	Auburn	KY
Jack Rinchich	Charleston	WV
Elizabeth Santiago	Chicago	IL
LeRoy Tucker	Altamont	IL
Alex S. Wasemiller	Mileton	WI
John A. White	Janesville	WI
Eric Z. Wonn	Mechanicsburg	OH

## Region 5

Jan R. Fryer	Palmyra	PA
Ludlow L. Haynes	Roosevelt	NY
Paul A. Voltmer	Windsor	VT
Keith J. Yeager	Rehrersburg	PA

## Region 6

Albert Anaya	Cottonwood	AZ
Jeff R. Carr	Rio Rancho	NM
Michelle L. Cartee	Phoenix	AZ
Merrick D. Cartee	Oxnard	CA
Derrick R. Denlinger	Modesto	CA
Oleg Gulin	Granada Hills	CA
David J. Hansen	Oakley	CA
Todd B. Herbert	Stockton	CA
Patrick C. Hurton	Red Bluff	CA
John F. Neneman	Anaheim	CA
Glenn L. Rumrill	La Junta	CO

# NEW MEMBERS CONT.

Dates: February 16, 2019 through May 15, 2019

Region 7		
Francis Aeschliman	Independence	KS
Terry A. Bratton	Porter	TX
John K. Clark	Meraux	LA
John P. Dickey	Stillwater	OK
Clayton E. Dodge	Morris	OK
Charles F. Ellis	Stillwater	OK
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Klon K. Kitchen	Midlothian	TX
Luis R. Martinez	El Paso	TX
Earl E. Nance	St. Louis	MO
Sandy Z. Sandlin	Big Spring	TX
Ernest G. Shields	St. Louis	MO
Justin W. Sitting	Sulphur	LA
Jeannette Whitehead	Florissant	MO

Region 8		
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Solomon D. Lee	Tallahassee	FL
William Negrón	Shallotte	NC
Ron D. Nelson	Cumming	GA
Steve E. Ousley	New Tazewell	TN
Terry E. Peele	Elon	NC
Victor Poletajev	Murfreesboro	TN
Darren S. Potter	Roanoke	VA
Caleb E. Ring	Groveland	FL
Charles P. Roberson	Savannah	GA
Esther L. Roberts	Knoxville	TN
Kenneth M. Rouche	Savannah	GA
Kenneth W. Rouse	Burlington	NC
Tyler S. Rutherford	Greenville	TN
Matthew W. Smith	Vinemont	AL
Clethen U. Sutton	Ruskin	FL
Bruce White	Knoxville	TN
Raymond C. Wood	Longs	SC

Region 8		
Joseph A. Alcala	Miami	FL
Roger D. Barefoot	Burlington	NC
Joshua L. Benson	Madisonville	TN
Dennis L. Boone	Haw River	NC
Terry L. Brown	Orange City	FL
Adrian Caballero	Miami	FL
Terry M. Carroll	DeLand	FL
Morgan M. Clough	Tellico Plains	TN
Eugene R. Collier	DeLand	FL
Deborah C. Coppedge	Hemingway	SC
Howard F. Kirkland	Knoxville	TN
Michael L. Koontz	Harriman	TN
LeLand B. Lee	Bartow	FL



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# News & Notes



Chaplain Jamelle McKenzie (2nd from right) and Chaplain William Poole (far left) present the LODD Memorial for Officer Michael Smith (EOW:12/28/18) to Henry County (GA) Chief of Police Mark Amerman (far right) and Deputy Chief Mike Ireland.



Chaplain Michael Meyer  
United States Secret Service  
Orlando, FL  
At the USSS Headquarters  
In Washington, D.C.



When at a Comic and Toy Convention, even Chaplains can be made into Super Heroes.

Chaplain Tim Polley  
Grant County Sheriff's Office (KY)  
Drawn at Lexington, KY ComiCon



ICPC member and Orlando Police Department (FL) Chaplain Mike Vidal (center) received the Chaplain of the Year Award 2018 from Chief Orlando Rolon (left) and accompanied by Executive Minister of Church at the Cross where Chaplain Vidal is Pastoring the Spanish church of 45-55.

## Auxiliary Information, news, etc.,

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# News & Notes

Chaplain Harold Gingerich (in white shirt) of Topeka, IN meets with Fr. Noel Ponsaran, the Chief of Police and 5 of the top generals of the Philippines National Police. More information can be found on the "Life Behind the Shield" Facebook page.



Chaplain Tim Polley (Carrollton, KY) keeping an eye on Honey the fire dog while on scene of a fire.



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Chaplain Richard R. McClendon  
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- ◆ It provides our members with an accurate membership directory. It's imperative to have accurate information when calling another chaplain for assistance at a time of need.
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March	February 1st
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In collaboration with ICPC, 'Bruce and Lin Designs' <https://bruceandlindesigns.com> is our preferred provider of the ICPC embroidery logo. Using the specific color pattern helps to ensure consistency of the actual logo colors for ICPC soft good products.

Shirts can be ordered for both men and women. Not only do they design pieces honoring law enforcement, but also many other custom pieces. They will customize your embroidery and transfer designs and work with you to get a one of a kind finished product.

Since they are small, they can do customization without all of the overhead costs sometimes associated with "set-up" fees.

ICPC Chaplain Walter Person, Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Sanford, FL recently commented "I ordered both Kaki to wear with Blue 511 pants, and Harriton M510 Navy to wear with Kaki 511 pants. Both shirts have my name and my Chaplain credential. I love both and wear them to promote ICPC at all training events".

Bruce is a long-time law enforcement officer who retired a few years back. Lin is a law enforcement survivor. Her husband was Cincinnati Police Officer Daniel J. Pope, killed in the line of duty on December 6, 1997. She is also a retired fire fighter from the City of Cincinnati! Bruce and Lin decided to open a business as a way to honor those who have died in the line of duty. The business is home-based which includes embroidery, heat transfers, custom cutting for vinyl transfers including glazes, glitters, foils, and fashion films. They have a few websites that they LOVE for items to be embellished on. They will work with you to find the perfect items for your project!

Bruce and Lin Designs have been exhibitors at ICPC's most recent ATS' with a host of products for you to order on the spot. They are making plans to attend Wichita's ATS July 22-26, 2019.

Shop their website: [bruceandlindesigns.com](https://bruceandlindesigns.com) to order your custom ICPC apparel and/or Thin Blue Line items. They may also be reached at their email: [bruceandlin256@gmail.com](mailto:bruceandlin256@gmail.com) or phone number (843) 521-7306.





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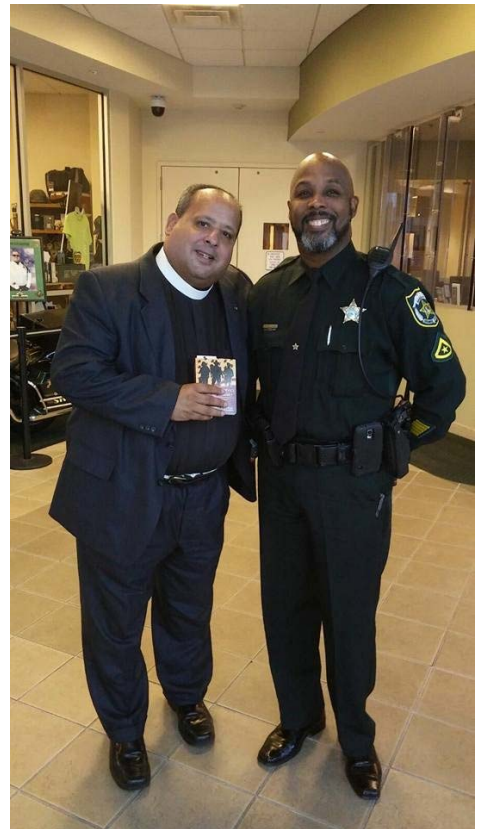
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4. The funeral professional helps the family choose options and arrange the service.