

# JOURNAL



## “Developing Professional Chaplains Through Dynamic Education and Support”

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mike Hardgrove,  
President of the International  
Conference of Police Chaplains

I would like to share with you my comments after being sworn in as your President at the 40th Annual Training Seminar banquet. I take very seriously the trust you have placed in me for the continuation and growth of our organization.

Thank you for allowing me to be your President and for the honor of serving with the fine people you elected today to work as your Executive Committee. I take on the responsibilities of this position with humility and a deep desire to continue the ICPC tradition of providing the best training possible for the men and women who give their time, their talents and their hearts in service to the men and women of law enforcement; for this organization truly exists for them and not for us. Therefore, our number one priority is taking care of our law enforcement officers. Everything else is secondary.

To be efficient and effective in our service we must focus on **COMMUNICATION** and **TRAINING!** To care for those who are crisis responders we must also be able to react swiftly to their needs. How then shall we improve our communication and training? We start first at our main line of communication, our web page.

I am working with Hillman Design of Sedona, Arizona who will be working with our website company to install a Forum on our Members Only section of the website. For those of us who have been a part of ICPC for many years it is easy to pick up the phone or shoot off an email to a friend asking for advice. A new chaplain most often will not be able to do that. With a Forum

**WE ARE A TEAM. WE ARE ONE. WE DO NOT, AND CANNOT, OPERATE ON OUR OWN. WE NEED EACH OTHER. WE DEPEND ON EACH OTHER.**

they will be able to post a question and get quick replies from our experienced and time-tested chaplains. This will eliminate some frustration in the new chaplain's life.

I am also in negotiations with WebEx to build both an Internet Meeting Center and an Internet Training Center. The meeting center will allow us to have Committee meetings, Executive Committee meetings and Board meetings, as often as the need arises rather than waiting a year for the Annual Training Seminar. The training center will allow all new chaplains to access the 12 Core Courses as soon as they would like or as they are needed. If WebEx cannot meet our needs within a reasonable budget we will find another provider.

With internal communications I will be asking our Executive

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Committee, our Standing Committees, our Regional Directors and our Area Representatives to either have regular meetings or be in touch with the Chaplains they serve monthly via an email string or newsletter.

We will also be posting new videos on our website to showcase our ICPC office, our Committees, and partner organizations and the work they do. It is our hope that these videos will help members be prepared to answer when we ask; "Where would you like to serve?" or "Where is God calling you to minister?"

If you have gifts and graces that will help us accomplish our communication changes and would like to be a part of it, please notify me or Ruby Kinlaw, ICPC Executive Administrator as soon as possible.

I have also begun working with the Credential Committee and Academic Registrar to see if we can manage our credential process so that when you have completed the requirements for a credential and your application has been approved you may receive that credential and not have to wait for the next ATS. You will still be recognized at the ATS for your accomplishment but you won't have to wait until the ATS to receive the credential. Rick Kassel, Credential Chair and John Transue, Academic Registrar are both in favor of working toward that end. Of course there are always details that need to be looked at and procedures that will need to be changed. I have also recognized two other

priorities for ICPC. The first, is that we must search out, recruit and train younger leadership for our organization. We must identify chaplains who are dedicated to our continued quest to provide the best training and support possible to law enforcement chaplains so that our law enforcement officers don't have to ever feel alone, forgotten and cast off because of the stresses of their profession. These chaplains must not be satisfied with the status quo.

The second, is that we must continue searching out and establishing relationships with other like-minded organizations. There is no room for exclusivity in our ministry. We must be in relationship to share and to receive. We cannot re-invent the wheel every time we see a need.

In preparing for closing I asked that all military personnel, past and present, stand and be recognized as our first line of defense from evil and chaos. I stated that these are the men and women who have pledged to give all they have for us; even their lives

I then asked for all Law Enforcement Officers, past and present, to stand and be recognized as our second line of defense and the people who have pledged to serve and protect the citizens within the borders of our lands. I stated that they too, have pledged to give all they have for us; even their lives.

Next I asked all Chaplains to stand and be recognized. When life gets heavy and decisions become hard to make, I stated, our Military Personnel, our Law Enforcement Officers and our Emergency Services

Officers come to you, their chaplains, for wisdom, comfort and hope. I asked all chaplains present: Can we do no less than attempt to be the best we can be for them? Are we willing to give all we have for them, even our lives?

The last people I asked to stand were all family members and close friends of our Military Personnel, our Law Enforcement Officers and our Chaplains. To them I said: You are the bedrock, the support, the encouragement, the acceptance and the love that makes our service possible. When all else fails our thoughts of you give us strength to carry on. May God bless you even more abundantly than you bless us.

We are a team. We are one. We do not, and cannot, operate on our own. We need each other. We depend on each other.

Please turn and thank the people around you for what they mean to you and for the gifts they give to you each day.

In closing I leave you with this challenge. When things are not going as we expect and we begin to gripe we should decrease our expectations and increase our commitment.

God bless you.



Mike Hardgrove  
ICPC President



What a week of hot weather and southern hospitality we enjoyed in Grapevine, Texas for this year's Annual Training Seminar. We had over 400 in attendance. If you were not able to be with us we certainly missed your fellowship and wanted to bring to you just a few of the memories of the week.

Celebrating our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was a big focus on the week. What a great first 40 years we have been blessed with as an organization as we continue to focus on our mission and grow both in numbers but more importantly in fellowship.

We must continue to strive in our efforts of providing Dynamic Education to all law enforcement chaplains so they may have the proper skills to minister to men and women who walk that thin blue line and protect their societies.

The venue for this year was the Gaylord Texan Resort, and resort it was! The size alone of the facility carried through the theme that "Everything is BIGGER in Texas!" We were able to have all of our meetings in the attached convention center which made fellowship easier through the week since we were all in one central location for classes.

We were challenged and uplifted by our keynote speaker at the Opening Ceremony, Mr. James Capra - U.S. Chief of Operations of the Drug Enforcement Agency. Mr. Capra came to us from Washington, DC simply to be with us and encourage all who were in attendance. His speech was heartfelt

and inspiring, using personal experiences from his career to make his point in the value he personally places on law enforcement chaplains.

Additionally with us at the Opening were several dignitaries from the local area who brought greetings to our conference. The honor guard and parade of countries, along with anthems started our week with pride from every country represented.

Our memorial service was held on Wednesday afternoon. This year a group of surviving family members of line of duty deaths were invited to participate. These family members were escorted in and honored through the service, lighting candles as various groups of survivors were remembered.

The banquet featured a video of our first 40 years with photos of many of our members who are no longer with us. The video was created using photos found in historical archives from the office. This video is available for you to view on the ICPC website.



James Capra, Chief of Operations of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency

Our banquet also featured many of our members receiving their credentials for which they worked so hard and it was a pleasure to recognize them for their accomplishments. The ICPC Auxiliary was splendid with three musical pieces for our entertainment. We were blessed with a speech from Chief William Waybourne of the Dalworthington Gardens, Texas Police Department. The Chief gave an encouraging address to all law enforcement chaplains and officers to continue their ministry with passion, highlighting the importance of the calling. All of this and a fantastic meal as well concluded our ATS in a very nice fashion.

During the banquet we also installed our 2013-2015 Executive Board. These officer stand among us as leaders committed to serving you, the members of ICPC.

Plans are progressing quickly for next year's ATS in Columbia, South Carolina! The dates and more information regarding hotel arrangements may be found on the ICPC website and following the link to "2014 Columbia, S.C. Training Seminar".

It continues to be our honor and privilege to serve you. Should there be anything that we may do to assist your ministry, or anything that we may specifically be in prayer for, please do not hesitate to contact us.

*Submitted by Craig Hungler  
ICPC Conference Director*



### Article I Section 5

The Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Standing Committees and Special Committees shall be authorized to meet by telephone conference or through other electronic communications media, as long as all members may simultaneously hear each other or be recognized and participate during the meeting. An e-mail thread shall be secured by the Secretary or in the event of telephone conference or on-line meeting sites, a complete transcript shall be retained in the minutes of the organizational unit.

### Article I Section 6

Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New Mexico, any action required or permitted to be taken by any board or committee of any organizational unit of the ICPC, including electronic voting, may be taken without a face to face meeting.

## CREDENTIAL UPDATES—2013

Effective immediately a credential must be held sequentially prior to application for the next level (e.g. must hold Basic to apply for Senior, etc.). Additionally, all application requirements must be met prior to submission.

Master applications received **before** November 30, 2013 may choose Track A (25 CEU and paper) or B (35 CEU) and upon ap-

proval will be awarded at the 2014 ATS.

#### Effective **December 1, 2013:**

- Application for Basic, Liaison, Senior and Master will not have a submission deadline. Certificate will be awarded upon approval of the Credential Committee.
- Master Level will require **35**

**CEUS** (no paper submissions allowed and must have held Basic and Senior Level Credentials prior to application).

Diplomate and Fellow deadline submission will be **March 30** and upon completion and approval of the Credential Committee will be presented at the next ATS.

## ELECTION—2013 Executive Officers

President—**Mike Hardgrove**,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

President Elect—**Mark Clements**,  
La Crosse, Wisconsin

Vice President—**Mark Bardsley**,  
Marion Indiana

Secretary—**Cyndee Thomas**,  
Roseville, California

Treasurer—**Bob Fiers**,  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Past President—**Keoki Awai**,  
Honolulu, Hawaii



(L to R): Mike Hardgrove, Mark Clements, Mark Bardsley, Cyndee Thomas, Bob Fiers.

The Executive Officers, along with the Board of Directors, advance the mission of ICPC by developing professional law enforcement chaplains through dynamic education and support.

# 2013 AWARDS

## JOHN A PRICE

Annually ICPC presents two (2) John A. Price Awards to recognize and honor a chaplain for their excellency in law enforcement chaplaincy work at the local level - one each for a Small Department (100 or less) and a Large Department (100 or more).

**Chaplain David Owen** of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in Greenwood, Indiana was awarded for the Small Department.



Chaplains Charlie Massey (L) and David Owen (R)

**Chaplain Sam Spencer** of the San Antonio Police Department in San Antonio, Texas was awarded the Large Department.



Chaplains Charlie Massey (L) and Sam Spencer (R)

2014 JAP Nomination Deadline: **November 30, 2013**

Contact ICPC for the JAP or Liaison Nomination forms. Return completed form to your Regional Director.

## ORDER OF MERIT

The Order of Merit was awarded to **Cyndee Thomas** (2009-2011) as outgoing ICPC Past President.



(L to R) Cyndee Thomas, Secretary (2013-2015), Mark Clements, President Elect (2013-2015), Mike Hardgrove, President (2013-2015), Keoki Awai, Immediate Past President (2013-2015).

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A Special Recognition was awarded to outgoing ICPC Secretary, **Rickey Hargrave** for his years (2004-2013) of faithful service, outstanding contribution and dedication to ICPC.



(L to R) Keoki Awai, Immediate Past President (2013-2015) and Rickey Hargrave, Secretary (2004-2013).

# 2013 CREDENTIALS ACHIVEMENTS

## Basic

Michael B. Adebisi  
 Lawrence M. Bennett  
 Larry W. Biederman  
 Jason A. Brooks  
 Mario W. Gambaro  
 Gordon Harper  
 Richard L. Hartman  
 Edward Lee Hoffman  
 Peter G. Hofstra  
 Susan Linden  
 George Martin  
 Ken McNaughton  
 Bob Morgan  
 Wilson Parrish  
 Gail F. Porter  
 Lloyd K. Scharer  
 Arthur M. Slagle  
 Kevin A. Smith  
 John Solomon  
 Daryl Stoltzfus  
 Istvan 'Steve' Szasz  
 Robert E. Thomas  
 Barbara J. Tymofichuk  
 Bill Youngblood

## Senior

Doug Alexander  
 Patti Aspling  
 Charles D. Boman

Sidney L. Brantley  
 David Bush  
 Larry W. Cash  
 David Casto  
 Clifton R. Cummings  
 Mark Dickens  
 Elsayed Elmarzouky  
 Marilyn J. Fisher  
 Charles W. Freeman  
 Haggeo Gautier  
 David W. Harris  
 Gary Holden  
 Rick Kalal  
 Jean Knierim  
 Jody Kranz  
 Jeffrey A. Luellen  
 Randall C. Mansfield  
 Michael C. Meyer  
 Thomas W. Miles, Jr.  
 Joel R. Miller  
 Lenford N. Newell  
 Paul M. Olds  
 Tolokun Omokunde  
 Chuck H. Price  
 Eric S. Sarensen  
 Robert Swales  
 Michael Veneman  
 Michael Weiner  
 John J. Wojdylak

## Master

Bob Aspling  
 Keoki Awai  
 Gary Beck  
 Steven Breitbarth  
 Steve Broach  
 Glenn 'Rick' Bulman  
 Daniel K. Coffey  
 John W. Cundiff  
 Alvin Dillard  
 Peter F. Eirich  
 Courtney H. Faulknor  
 Robert Fulkerson  
 J. Kenneth Gaydos  
 Vernon Harms  
 Warren J. Hiebert  
 Charles Houston  
 Edward Jennings  
 Arthur G. King  
 Donna Kleman  
 Richard Langford  
 Kenneth Link  
 Cynthia Lovingood  
 Frank A. McCrary  
 David Moore  
 Jeffrey T. Nikirk  
 Ronald L. Pierce  
 Kathy Radke  
 Jimmy L. Reid  
 Richard E. Sale

## Lester Sanders

Daniel R. Schafer  
 Walter J. Schott  
 Leslie Schrader  
 Matthew Schrader  
 Matthew L. Smith  
 Stevie Stennis  
 Richard C. Strickland  
 Chris Thompson  
 John D. Thompson  
 Tim Thompson  
 Beth A. Wilson  
 J. Paul Worley  
 Donald G. Wright

## Diplomate

T. Leon Adams  
 Mark Bardsley  
 Tamra L. Gore  
 Robert E. Heath  
 Robert C. Johnson  
 C. Glenn Sullivan

## Fellow

Michael Hardgrove  
 Rickey Hargrave  
 Terry Olthoff  
 John Transue



Chaplain Bob Heath (l) was surprised with a letter of recognition for achieving ICPC's Diplomate Credential from Chief Roberts (r) of the Joplin Police Department.

My Senior Credential certificate arrived yesterday.

My goodness I am so impressed with the attention to detail and presentation. It really made me proud to have achieved this status and caused me to feel all of ICPC was also. I realized I was part of a quality organization. Now to take a picture of it and put it on Facebook...something I rarely do is put personal information on Facebook...but my friends and officers need to know the high standards of ICPC.



Will you please convey my thanks to the others who had a part in making this such a joyous occasion.

Jean Knierim, Senior Chaplain, Latah County Sheriff, ID



# ICPC—Reflecting on 40 Years Chaplain Charlie Massey

*Editors Note: This is part three of a series of articles reflecting on ICPC's 40 year history.*

## WE HAVE COME A LONG, LONG WAY

WOW!!! Have we ever come a long way. We are 40 years old. Where have those 40 years gone? I find it hard to believe that the International Conference of Police Chaplains has been around, doing wonderful things for so long.

Although I am not one of the charter members of the organization, I have been a member from the beginning. As I think about this, a lot of great memories come flooding back to me, particularly the people. I remember Joe Dooley talking about his dream of a chaplains' network. I remember the early folks, many of whom have gone on to their eternal reward. I remember such folk as Joe Dooley, Joe Coleman, Wilber Harvey, Virgil Bonto, Jack Price, Gerry Brinniger, Bill Travers, Julius Kirchgessner, Donald Rogers, David Gensler, Gerry Priest, and of course the ever present Bill Wentink who is still very much a major part of the organization.

Continue to dream, to serve, to be involved, to care and not to count the cost. The International Conference of Police Chaplains is only as strong and healthy as its membership.

I remember in 1975 taking an overly tremendous amount of time at the business meeting discussing a budget of less than three thousand dollars... and now we pass a budget of almost half a million in several minutes. I well remember the ATS in 1976 when we took our first steps on our own without the parent body which had spawned us being in the picture.

I remember being elected 2nd vice president in Nassau County, NY in 1978, becoming the first president from beyond the United States border in 1981.

I remember meeting in Washington, DC, in the late 70's with Bob Cornelius and Gerry Brinniger to draft the first Chaplains' handbook of guidelines. That was replaced in 1989 by CHAPLAINCY IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. What it is and how to do it, published by Charles C. Thomas.

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## IN MEMORIAM

“Our hearts and prayers are with the families.”

*Chaplain Roy Gentry*  
Odessa, TX  
DOD: 2/1/13

**Condolences to:**  
Family of Roy Gentry  
1002 S. Lauderdale  
Odessa, TX 79763

## HALL OF FAME

The International Conference of Police Chaplains wishes to thank the following individuals for their generous contributions:

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Dr. Wayne Robert

### Liaison ATS Dinner

Christopher Storey

### Bible Fund

ICPC Auxiliary

Thank you one and all  
for your kind and faithful  
support of ICPC!



# LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

*EOW (End of Watch) Dates: May 16, 2013 through August 15, 2013*



Police Officer Larry Candelari  
Pasadena Police Department, TX  
EOW: Friday, April 26, 2013



Deputy Sheriff Steven G. Netherland  
Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office, LA  
EOW: Monday, June 24, 2013



Sergeant Lance Allen "Lou" McLean  
Hood County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Saturday, June 29, 2013



Police Officer Robert "Bobby" Hornsby  
Killeen Police Department, TX  
EOW: Sunday, July 14, 2013



Police Officer Bruce Daniel Jacobs  
Jackson Police Department, MS  
EOW: Saturday, July 20, 2013



Police Officer David Vanbuskirk  
Las Vegas Police Department, NV  
EOW: Monday, July 22, 2013



Trooper Winston I. Martindale  
New York State Police, NY  
EOW: Wednesday, July 24, 2013



Corporal Thomas Keith Slay  
Columbus Police Department, GA  
EOW: Tuesday, July 30, 2013



Deputy Sheriff Jeff Watson  
St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office, LA  
EOW: Sunday, August 4, 2013



Sergeant Mike Wilson  
Charlotte County Sheriff's Office, FL  
EOW: Monday, August 5, 2013



Sergeant Jorge Luis "JL" Garcia  
Pharr Police Department, TX  
EOW: Thursday, August 8, 2013



Police Officer Ivorie Klusmann  
DeKalb County Police Department, GA  
EOW: Saturday, August 10, 2013



K9 Spartacus  
Woodstock Police Department, GA  
EOW: Monday, June 17, 2013



K9 Shadow  
Hanahan Police Department, SC  
EOW: Tuesday, June 18, 2013



K9 Ronin  
Glendale Police Department, AZ  
EOW: Thursday, June 20, 2013



K9 Kilo  
Indiana State Police, IN  
EOW: Monday, June 24, 2013



K9 Sani  
US DOHS - CBP - US Border Patrol, US  
EOW: Wednesday, July 17, 2013



K9 Kali  
Peru Police Department, IL  
EOW: Saturday, August 3, 2013

## Memorial Bible Program



On April 17, 1984, the Arkansas Miller County Sheriff's Department received the first ICPC Memorial Bible.

Sent to the Chief Executive, the Bible is to be presented to the slain officer's family or placed in the department library.

Included with the Memorial Bible is a letter to the Chief Executive, as well as a letter to the family whose member has passed, expressing our condolence to them.

Your donation to the Memorial Bible Program is tax deductible, as well as partnering with us to continue this vital ministry of compassion to those who have lost a loved one in the Line of Duty.



"I had such a wonderful time at this years ATS in Grapevine, Texas.

I wanted to thank the ICPC Board and Staff for your labors of love that made it all possible.

My son James enjoyed the kids program too." ~ Eileen Taylor

I LOVE the look of the new website. Great work everyone.

Rev. Rita Rogers, Walnut Creek Police Department

## ICPC Annual Training Seminars

**2014**  
**South Carolina**  
Marriott  
1-800-276-7415  
1200 Hampton St  
Columbia, SC  
**July 14-18, 2014**

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**California**  
Doubletree  
1-916-929-8855  
2001 Point West Way  
Sacramento, CA  
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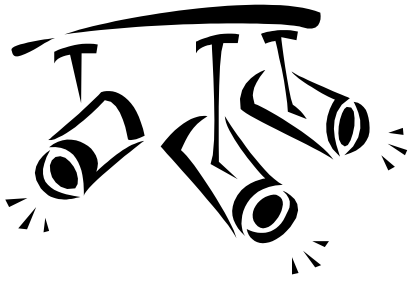
[www.icpc2014ats.org](http://www.icpc2014ats.org)

# Spotlight on Chaplaincy

In addition to caring for their own flocks, two local ministers tend to a flock on the side. Its members wear blue.

The Rev. Mark Broadhead, pastor of the Laurel Hill and Crestview Presbyterian churches, established the Crestview Police Department's volunteer chaplains program in 2008.

Broadhead built the Crestview program as an informal chaplaincy headed by a former officer, Sgt. Dave Bracewell, a local pastor and the then-Crestview SWAT team sniper.



Joining Broadhead as the second police chaplain is the Rev. Paul Mixon, pastor of Out of This World Ministries in Crestview. Both have credentials through the International Conference of Police Chaplains.

## Chaplain Training

"Training is needed by non-law enforcement chaplains to under-

stand how to respond to the officers, to be an asset to them, and not be a liability," Broadhead said.

Prospective chaplains must complete 12 basic courses with a minimum of 35 classroom hours to reach the first level of credentialing, Broadhead said.

He has an additional 36 hours of training in critical incident stress management, which prepares chaplains and emergency responders for major traumas such as line-of-duty death, a mass shooting or a community-wide catastrophe.

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## Reflecting on 40 Years

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I remember sitting around a common room at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia in the early 80's talking about the education possibilities ICPC could offer its members to help them be more professional in their roles as law enforcement chaplains. That was another dream in the early days. I appointed Wilbert Cunningham, who later became president, as committee chair to explore the issues around a certification and credentialing program. And I saw that come to fruition in 1988 when the first chaplains were certified in Baltimore.

We have indeed come a long way. The growth has not been without its trials and tribulations. But it is the good and great things that I remember as I look back through my memories and through my albums of photographs. I have made some very close friendships over

these past 35 years. It is the friendships and the fellowship that keeps me coming back to the ATS each year.

It is an excellent time to get the batteries recharged.

I have watched ICPC expand its membership around the globe. And I hope we never forget that the first word in our name is "INTERNATIONAL."

We began with dreams. We have come a long way because of the dreams of members from all over the world. As long as we continue to dream we will continue to grow and prosper. As far as I am concerned, our best service is the service we give to our Creator. The next best is the service which we give to our law enforcement agencies. It is a service that is valuable to those we serve, appreciated by those we serve and extremely rewarding to those who serve.

Continue to dream, to serve, to be involved, to care and not to count the cost. The International Conference of Police Chaplains is only as strong and healthy as its membership. It is up to each and every member to keep it that way.

Blessing to each and every one of you. Take Care. Stay Safe.

HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY ICPC !



Charlie Massey, Past President (1981-1983) has been a police chaplain for over 44 years.



# The Step That Changed His Life

Chaplain Mike Meyer used his cane to steady himself as he knelt at the altar at the Central Florida District Assembly to be ordained elder in the Church of the Nazarene. As he maneuvered his prosthetic legs into a kneeling position, he remembered how one step in Vietnam changed his life forever. Forty years--and it was still picture-clear in his mind.

It was September 26, 1971. Mike began the second humid day of a mission to locate and explode armed charges in a known minefield. He had volunteered for duty in Vietnam. Anything was better

for this Floridian than the biting cold he had endured in Germany, or so he thought.

If a land mine couldn't stop him, nothing will. His life is a walking object lesson for this truth, step by obedient step.

Michael had just placed a charge next to a cluster of "bouncing Bettys," baited traps that didn't detonate until someone stepped off of them. They shot a person about three feet into the air, exploding

with metal balls that could cut a soldier in half.

In a mind-stopping moment, an invisible force picked Mike up and placed him in a pinball explosion of shrapnel before dropping him hard to earth. Feeling fortunate because he had no pain, he tried to figure out how he could have taken a mine blast without injury. That's when he saw what was missing—his right foot. He also saw that the spray of shrapnel had reduced both legs to pegboards. The blast should have killed him.

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## Spotlight on Chaplaincy

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Chaplains' duties include accompanying officers on patrol and helping them defuse domestic situations.

They also help officers make death notifications and serve as interme-

### Peer Support

When people need help, they call a cop.

When a cop needs help, they call a chaplain.

Who Does A Chaplain call when they Need help?

The ICPC Peer Support Team.

If YOU need to talk CALL:  
530-262-7700

diaries among the police, residents and support agencies such as the Trauma Intervention Program.

"And I listen to venting," Broadhead said. "But there's not so much anymore, though."

However, following last year's dismissal of former Chief Brian Mitchell and one of his majors, Broadhead said there was "lots of venting."

### Keeping Cops Strong

"It's a neutral area within the department," police spokesperson Lt. Andrew Schneider said. "If you have problems, you don't want to talk to your boss about or family issues — anything that might interfere with your work — that's why we have this program.

"We have to stay strong while we're on call, but we're human, too. We have emotions too, and (often), these things build up. We

have to have somebody we can talk to."

Crestview's police chaplains provide marriage counseling, personal counseling and suicide prevention intervention for officers.

"Training is needed by non-law enforcement chaplains to understand how to respond to the officers, to be an asset to them, and not be a liability.

### Joys and Rewards

During a spring seminar called "Help! I Love a Cop!" officers and spouses discussed the transition between finishing a shift and returning home. The transition can be stressful for both officers and their families, Broadhead said.

"On a call, the officer has to cut through the drama and get to the facts," Broadhead said. "At home,

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## National Association of Police Officers

Wes McDuffie, Past-President (2007-2009) represented ICPC at the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) 35th Annual Convention held July 20-24, 2013 in the Millennium Maxwell House in Nashville, Tennessee.

Our ICPC display was very impressive and received numerous compliments from other vendors and members of NAPO.



After seeing other displays with candy, and using it to attract people to their booth I went to the local store and bought candy for our

booth also. What a difference a little candy makes!

I was blessed to speak to a number of people about ICPC, and candy was a great tool to assist me in that endeavor.

While visiting the ICPC booth, there was an officer from the east coast that was able to locate a relative who happens to be an ICPC Chaplain in Ohio.

Several vendors inquired about presenting their organizations at future ICPC Conferences.

The guest speaker was U.S. Department of Justice Attorney General, Eric Holder. I had an audience with The Attorney General, Mr. Eric Holder concerning adding Chaplains to the (DOJ) Department of Justice. I explained to Mr. Holder how a chaplain would

be more effective than any Employee Assistance Program.

I was able to connect with a couple of agents with the (DOJ) Department of Justice who were manning a booth and plan on following up about government grants.

I also shared with Mr. Holder that his DEA'S Chief of Operations Mr. James Capra would be able to explain how a chaplaincy program would be beneficial.



ICPC Past-President, Wes McDuffie and U.S. Attorney General, Eric Holder.

## Fraternal Order of Police Biennial Conference

The weekend of August 10, 2013 thousands of law enforcement professionals from across The United States gathered in Cincinnati, Ohio for the 61<sup>st</sup> Biennial Conference and Expo. The FOP under the leadership of President Chuck Canterbury has been very supportive of ICPC and Police Chaplaincy. You may remember that President Canterbury was our keynote speaker at the ATS in Knoxville, TN in 2009 providing a moving speech that personally related his interaction and admiration for law enforcement chaplains.

ICPC was invited to have a booth within the Expo Hall which ran

from August 11-13. Our booth was situated next to Concerns of Police Survivors which made a nice organizational connection since we work so closely with that outstanding group.

For the several days we were at the Expo we encountered countless numbers of law enforcement professionals who stopped at our booth to discuss chaplaincy. Many of them commented on how much they appreciated their chaplains and mentioned many of you by name. We tried hard to give "shout outs" to those mentioned by name both on our Facebook site and Twitter feed, as well as

publishing them on the ICPC Blog.

Hearing the great stories these men and women had to share, spending time discussing possibilities and even spending some time speaking with officers about some of their current struggles was a great investment of time.

We just wanted all of you to know that you each make an incredible difference in the men and women you serve, and for that we **THANK YOU.**

*Submitted by Craig Hungler  
ICPC Conference Director*

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The next year was an endless parade of infections, surgeries, hospitals, pain, double amputation above the knees, medication, rehabilitation, and prosthetics—all because of one wrong step. But God had other steps for Mike, steps he could take without his legs, steps that would give him life and purpose.

When he received medical retirement in 1972, Mike returned to school to earn a GED. Frustrated with wheelchair life, he started using Canadian crutches, the kind that offer forearm support from a metal cuff. Then, he graduated to cane-only assistance, a feat that doctors told him would be next to impossible. Using military benefits, he continued on to college, graduating from Florida Atlantic University. In 1982, he married Barbara Jean. Step by step, life continued to open for Mike.

Then, there was another explosion. Barbara was diagnosed with stage III ovarian cancer. While cancer changed everything, it also led them to take the most important step of their lives. In the days of fatigue following chemotherapy, Barbara had started watching a TV evangelist. She urged Mike to watch, too. Wanting to do anything to help his wife, Mike suggested they visit an Orlando church. This was an unusual step for both of them. Mike had been

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raised nominal Catholic and Barbara had embraced Christian Science.

God spoke to Mike and Barbara the night they visited the church. Both went forward to repent and receive new life through Christ. Mike remembers, "A strange sensation came over me. I felt like I was walking about a foot above the floor. The Lord removed so much that I felt like I was a helium balloon."

Their search for a nearby church led them to the Davie Westside Nazarene Church. They found a group of people who loved them through the difficult days to come. They stood by Mike when Barbara lost her six-year cancer struggle in 2001.

As Mike adjusted to his single life, he heard God speak again. "I believe the Lord has put a call on my life," he told his pastor. It was not the first time he had thought about ministry. When he was 16, he dreamed the same dream three nights—he was a priest saying mass in a Catholic church, except

no one in the church was Catholic.

He had started paperwork to become a priest while hospitalized after amputation, but felt checked not to complete the process. Now he understood that he was right about ministry and wrong about the priesthood. When he found out that Asbury Theological Seminary had an Orlando campus, he enrolled.

God brought another wonderful woman into his life and they married in 2005. Bertha became a positive supporter during his arduous studies at the Central Florida Nazarene Bible Institute and Asbury Seminary in Orlando.

One night while Mike watched a story about police chaplains, he felt a tug on his heart. "I wonder if I could do that?" He called to find out the requirements and discovered that the new Orlando police chief planned to expand the chaplaincy program. By 2007 Mike became part of that expansion. Every crisis call confirms he's where God wants him. Like the middle-of-the-night call he received to console two teenaged boys who witnessed the fatal shooting of their mother and grandmother at the hand of their father.

As Mike Meyer, police chaplain,

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associate pastor of Orlando Union Park Church of the Nazarene, and double amputee, knelt for ordination, he thought about the God-ordered steps that brought him to ordination. “I am humbled and awed by all that God has done.”

Geneva Silvernail, former Nazarene missionary educator and now vice president for Asbury’s Florida campus, has seen Mike’s tenacity firsthand. “Michael is determined to answer a call regardless of his difficulties. It is appar-

ent that what he learns in class, he applies directly to his work.”

“It’s all God!” says Meyer. If a land mine couldn’t stop him, nothing will. His life is a walking object lesson for this truth, step by obedient step.

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# Regional Training Seminars 2013-2014



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Region #2	January 6-9, 2014	Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center 289 N. Spruce Cannon Beach, OR 97110	Jim Crowley 541-410-6128 jbcrowley@bendbroadband.com Jerry Gaidos 503-791-1705 clatsopchaplain@gmail.com
Region #3	October 22-24, 2013	Mankato DPS 710 South Front Street Mankato, MN 56001	Katie Menne, Coordinator 507-327-1938 krmenne@yahoo.com
Region #4	March 10-12, 2014	Holiday Inn Express Janesville, WI	Sean Jauch, Coordinator 608-728-0137C jauchers@gmail.com
Region #5	April 27-29, 2014	Carlisle, PA	Dan Schafer, Regional Director 732-928-8847 vernad@optonline.net
Region #6	October 14-16, 2014	Sun River Church 11223 Trinity River Drive Rancho Cordova, CA 95670	Marty Hills, Coordinator 916-993-7785 marty@sacchaplains.com
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Region #8A	July 14-18, 2014	ATS Marriott Columbia, South Carolina	David DeDonato, Coordinator 803-206-4702C dmd777d@gmail.com
Region #9	October 22-24, 2014	Glad Tidings Church 113 Kuawa Street Hilo, HI 96720	Renee Godoy, Coordinator 808-896-6670C reneegodoy8@gmail.com

## Spotlight on Chaplaincy

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they can't cut through the drama. That can be frustrating."



However, he said, there are also joyful occasions that come when a pastor accepts the police chaplain's badge.

"I've performed two weddings for officers, and I have two more

coming up," he said. "And (this month), we're having a picnic for the officers and their families."

Broadhead also conducted training in April at the International Conference of Police Chaplains Region 8 conference hosted by the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office.

"It's a very rewarding privilege to be able to give something back to these fine officers," said Broadhead said.

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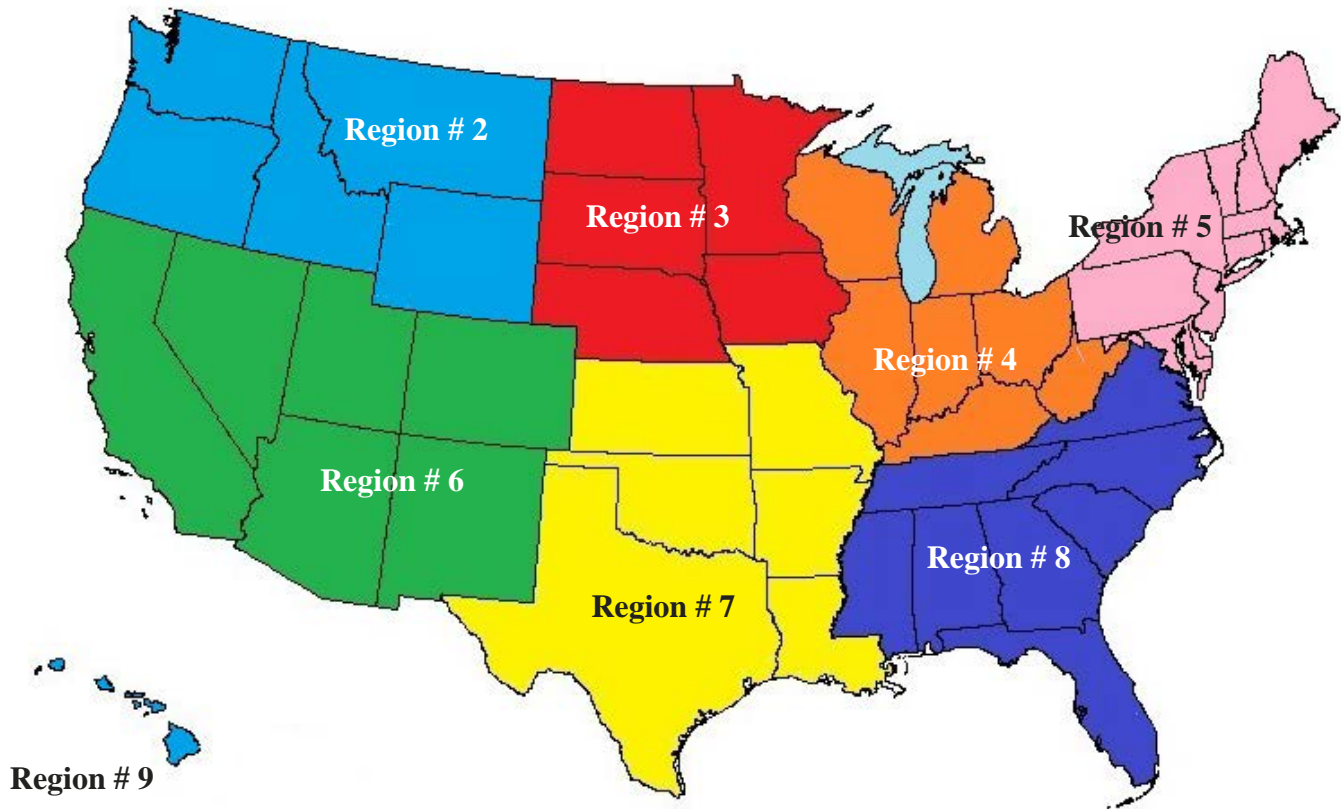
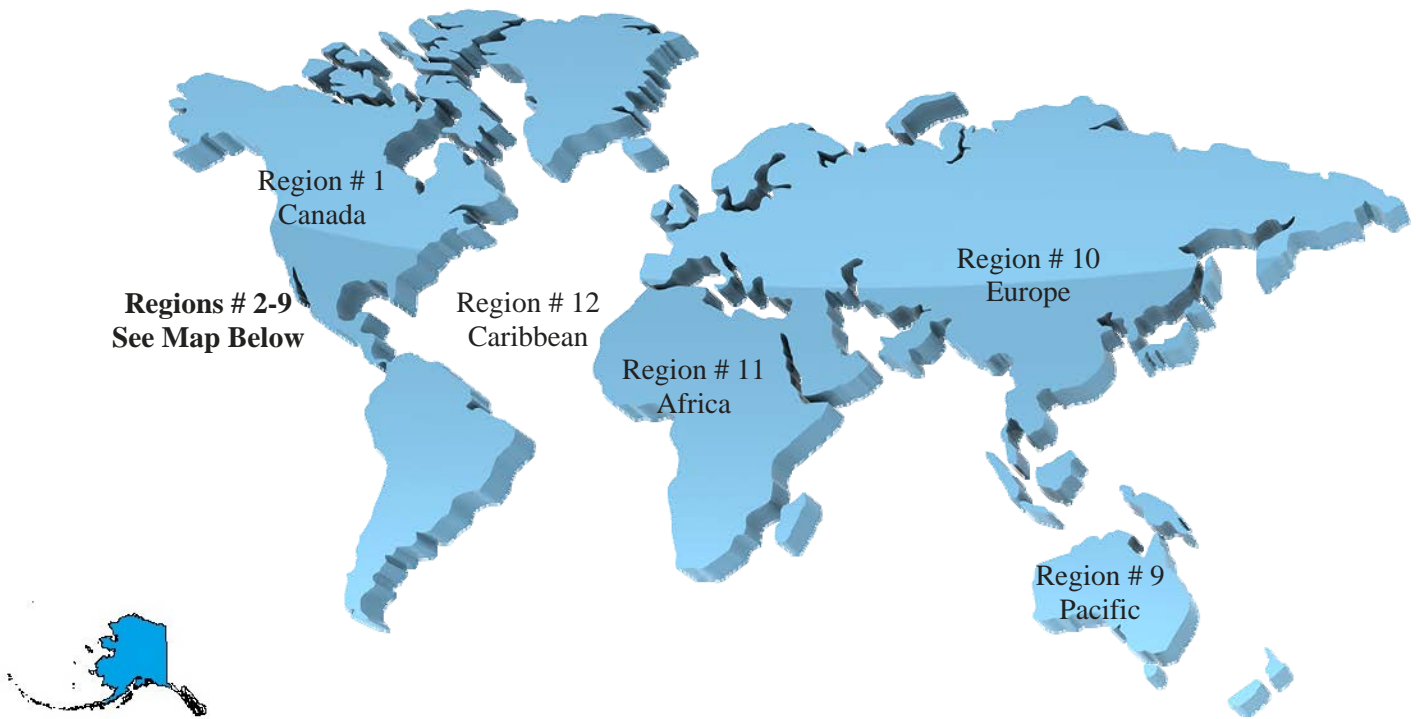
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# International Conference of Police Chaplains REGIONS





## THE ICPC STORE IS NOW UP AND RUNNING!

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The website is set up with an “on-demand” approach. When a person orders something off of the website, it will be made specifically for that order. There is no inventory or back stock on these items. Consequently, there is no need for ICPC to make large investments with the potential for items to run out or sit on the shelves. With this approach, orders are taken care much more efficiently. Order forms will still be available at ICPC meetings.



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