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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mark Clements,
President



As 2015 draws to a close, I, as I am sure many of you will do, am taking some time to reflect on what has been a very eventful year for myself personally, for the International Conference of Police Chaplains and for Law Enforcement Chaplaincy.

July brought significant change for me being sworn in at our organization's Annual Training Seminar, as ICPC'S 21<sup>st</sup> President. Your continued prayers are requested to fulfill the duties and responsibilities – and face the challenges – of this position. Please know of our continued prayer for each of you as we serve together.

ICPC continues to fulfill our mission worldwide of training and supporting Law Enforcement Chaplains. Our membership continues to grow and several of our regions have recently held training seminars with a number of others planned for the spring of 2016.

There is the anticipation of being together with the rest of the Executive Committee in Albuquerque, New Mexico this coming January for our Mid-Winter Executive Committee Meeting. This will be in preparation for our 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Training Seminar, July 11 – 15, 2016. We look forward to seeing you there. Please make plans now to attend!

One area of advancement within ICPC has been our ability to utilize a variety of electronic means of meeting together to conduct

business. The Executive Committee has met on three occasions with the Executive Committee via "Go To Meeting."

Several of our committees have used this technology for their meetings as well. Also, for the first time in the history of ICPC, we were able to conduct an electronic meeting of the entire Board of Directors (September). If your Region (Director/ Officers/ Area Representatives) or committee would benefit by meeting via electronic means, please contact our online meeting source facilitator Craig Hungler at craig.hunger@icpc4cops.org or 614-285-4272.

The Education Committee of ICPC is continuing their diligent work to update and upgrade our organization's educational materials (courses and curriculum) and our presentation of them (instruction and instructors). Thank you Steve Norden and Mike DeHart for all of your work! Please keep these two men – and this work – and all assisting them in your prayers.

2015 has been a year like no other in regards to the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy in general. Here in America, a simmering anti-Law Enforcement sentiment – fanned and propagated by an often anti-Law Enforcement media – has placed an enormous emotional pressure and strain on the men and women of the thin blue line. While we as chaplains are still called upon to serve the vic-

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#### President's Message

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tims of every manner of tragedy and crime, we are seeing officers and department/agency personnel reaching out for our help – and in need of our ministry – more than ever before. Please take every available opportunity – whether you live in the USA or not – to be proactive in reaching out supportively to your department/agency's

officers, deputies, administrators, agents, detectives, investigators and support staff, etc., etc. Some of them may hide it well, but they really need your presence, your listening ear, and your help.

In closing, the end of the year means the Holiday season for many of us. If this includes you, please receive my best wishes as you celebrate Thanksgiving, Advent, Hanukkah, Christmas (and/or any other special days and remembrances), and may the Lord's blessing be upon all of us as we observe New Year's Day and enter 2016

May the Lord bless you and keep you....

## **NEWS & NOTES**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Chaplain Harold Shackelford recently retired from the Harrison Police Department (OH) after 43 vears of service.

**Oakland Police Department** Chaplain Corps (CA) celebrates 20 years! A Certificate of Recognition was prepared for the event (see page 11).

#### **COPORATE OFFICE VISIT**

Chaplain Kevin McCullough (and his wife, Kathrine visited the ICPC office in October 2015.



Visit ICPC's flicker account to view photos of the Patch Wall. A Patch List is available on the ICPC website (www.icpc4cops.org) in the Members Only Section, Regional folder.

Please take a moment to 'stop by' and 'see' if we have your patch.

#### **ICPC Executive Officers 2015-2017**



President Mark Clements



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## Greetings

As the year draws to a close, we would like to thank our members and volunteers who diligently work behind the scenes promoting ICPC's training mission around the world.

*May the joys of the* season surround you.



ICPC Staff

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### Suicide Prevention: Finding Hope When Life Seems Hopeless

Hope for the Heart—June Hunt

Do it, June! Drive off the bridge! It would be so easy! Why not? How clearly I remember those desperate thoughts coursing through my mind on a cloudless summer day. As a newly licensed teen driver, I tightened my grip around the steering wheel of my car and seriously contemplated whether this was the day to end a life of just 15 years.

My foot was positioned on the accelerator with the growing compulsion to press down... when all of a sudden I felt an overpowering restraint. Wait! What if I'm not successful? I could end up only maiming myself. Then Mom would have the huge burden of needing to take care of me the rest of my life!

Looking back, I remember the painful emotions churning inside me, and the hopelessness that created such upheaval in my life. It wasn't that I wanted to kill myself—I just wanted the pain to stop! I wanted an end to the relentless, unspoken and soul-ravaging pain. Hopelessness had settled over my life like a dark cloud. And what was the source of such pain? It was something very personal and private: h-o-m-e.

From the outside, it looked like my family had it all: a lovely house . . . a successful father . . . a gracious mother . . . four well-behaved children . . . a lifestyle of plenty. Yet locked inside the walls of that lovely house was an unlovely family dynamic, a secret life that ripped hope from my heart and dashed it to pieces like a sailboat in a tsunami.

Hovering over the eye of my per-

sonal childhood storm was my father. In his public life he was widely acclaimed as a successful businessman, but in our family life he was chronically critical and cruel. When Dad demeaned me, as he often did, I felt powerless to stop it. In addition to his harsh temperament, my father's blatant lifestyle of infidelity took a terrible toll on our family . . . especially on my mother, who was half his age when they married. When they met, my dad was already married with six children, the second-born the same age as my mother.

My deteriorating relationship with my father led to a deepening sense of despair. My sadness was so intense that by the age of 15 I no longer believed I would ever experience a home life where I felt protected—where life was predictable, where justice prevailed and where I could be at peace.

By God's grace, I did not attempt to end my life that summer day many decades ago. But the pain the Lord allowed me to experience (and that He would later heal) is one reason I feel such deep compassion for strugglers considering suicide's seductive allure.

#### Lost hope?

They are all around us . . . people who have lost all hope and whose weary cry is simply this: Make the pain go away. Whether spoken or held inside, it's an aching admission that reveals a soul mired in the depths of despair.

No segment of our population is exempt from walking the dark path of quick escape. Male and female, young and old, rich and poor—we see them all in these sobering statistics:

- There are four male suicides for every one female suicide.
- Suicide is the third leading cause of death among young people ages 15-24.
- The highest suicide rate is among people ages 45 to 64.
- On average, one person in the United States dies by suicide every 13.3 minutes.

If you are someone in such pain, my first words of counsel would be: "Tell someone trustworthy." This is vital because only then can hope, help and healing begin to take place. Jesus said, "The truth will set you free" (John 8:32). It's freeing to know you're not alone in your torturous struggle.

Regardless of where you are in life right now, God may be leading you and preparing you to come alongside a struggler who has lost hope. Pray to have the right heart—God's heart. His heart is tender and full of compassion toward those experiencing deep pain. The Bible says, "The Lord longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion" (Isaiah 30:18). He understands the emotional, spiritual and physical agony experienced by those teetering on the brink of absolute hopelessness. And from God's tender heart emerges lifetransforming truths that truly affirm life!

The holidays are a difficult time for many. Suicide may seem like the only way out. My prayer is

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#### **CONCERNS OF POLICE SURVIVORS CONFERENCE**

By Craig Hungler

The International Conference of Police Chaplains was invited to partner with the National Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) November 13-15, 2015 and present workshops at their First Annual Conference on Law Enforcement Wellness & Trauma, held in Dallas, TX.

COPS has always done a wonderful job in helping families of fallen law enforcement officers pick up the pieces of their shattered lives after such tragedies. ICPC is proud to have such a close relationship with COPS and work together with them to minister to agencies and families of fallen officers.

The staff of COPS is always looking for new ways to serve the law enforcement community. Through that effort they developed this first time conference focusing on the overall well-being of police officers walking the beat today.

Organizers of the conference did not know what to expect when they scheduled the workshops and speakers for the 3 day conference. Not knowing how many attendees to expect they thought that if they had 250 attendees they would consider it a "success." The registrations poured in and

they capped the registration at 450 attendees. This response was evidence of the desire of officers everywhere to learn of tactics and methods to keep themselves physically, mentally and spiritually healthy so they may enjoy a long career and retirement.

ICPC was asked to provide the Opening Session Prayer as well as two workshops. The workshops presented were "Keeping FAITH during times of Crisis" and "The value of Police Chaplain Programs in your agency." Both of these workshops were well attended, with approximately 100 attendees in each.

In addition to officers from across the country, there were a number of ICPC members in attendance.

COPS has already made the decision to repeat this event in 2016.



From left to right: Craig Hungler, ICPC Conference Director; Dianne Bernhard, COPS Executive Director; Wes McDuffie, ICPC Past President; Paul Bains, ICPC Member



## PROJECT BLUE LIGHT



The color blue is symbolic of "PEACE" By displaying your blue light(s) you send a message that you support America's Peacekeepers, your light is guiding them to safety, and you hope the year will be peaceful. Shine it for the holiday season or let it shine all year long.

Project Blue Light is a nationwide recognition of those Police Offic-

ers who have died in the line of duty. It began in 1988 in Philadelphia when Dolly Craig wrote a letter to Concerns of Police Survivors stating that she would be honoring her late son-in-law, Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Gleason, during the holiday season by placing a blue light in her window. In 1999 the Horsham Township Police Department planted a tree in Deep Meadow Park on

Horsham Road as a memorial to those officers. The evergreen tree is decorated every holiday season with 1,000 blue lights representing all Law Enforcement Officers. We would like to ask each of you to please consider placing a blue light in your window during the holiday season to show your support for your police officers.

### Omaha Police Chaplains Bring Calming Presence

#### By Maggie O'Brien ~ Reprinted with permission from Omaha World-Herald

Pastor Ward Doering had never envisioned that his ministry would take him to an Omaha doorstep at 3 a.m.

The first time he found himself in such a spot was six years ago. He had been sent to west Omaha to notify a family that a loved one had been killed in an car crash.

"I prayed on it the whole way there," Doering recalled. "I wanted to make sure I did it right."

"Our chaplains' primary responsibility is officers first," said **Lt. Dan Flores**. "It takes a year or two to earn the trust of police officers. It's not an easy culture to be accepted to."

That visit was the first of many similar ones Doering has made in the middle of the night in his role as an Omaha police chaplain.

"I knew it was going to be a terrible moment in these people's lives that they were going to remember forever," Doering said. "And, I knew that I would remember it, too."

Doering, 53, is one of 13 local clergy who participate in the Omaha Police Department's chaplain program. A decade ago, close to 30 participated.

Recruiting and keeping chaplains has become increasingly difficult for police departments across the country. Those involved say the pressures and risks associated with the job — which is unpaid — as well as the on-call, late-night hours may keep men and women in the clergy, already stretched thin with their own congregations, from serving.

In addition, a negative view of police by some in the aftermath of officer-involved shootings across the country could be off-putting, the chaplains interviewed said. "We walk alongside officers, ride with them and are there to support them and help them do what they do," said Pastor Mark Clements, president of the International Conference of Police Chaplains.

"Some ministers may worry that the people in their communities don't want them to be involved with the police department."

The Omaha police chaplain program, which started in 1982, is made up of Protestant ministers, Catholic priests and a rabbi.

Even though the word "chaplain" derives from Christianity, the program is nondenominational in that chaplains are not allowed to project their faith or refuse to help someone who believes differently.

Anyone who has been ordained by a religious organization and has a religious education or background can apply to the program. Some applicants have law enforcement connections or experience.

Doering, for instance, was a military police officer in the 1980s. He's currently a Baptist minister who runs the Underground, a nontraditional church that welcomes "people from all walks of life" such as bikers and addicts, Doering said.

Omaha police have an interview process for potential chaplains to ensure that they're a good fit. The department does not accept those who have been ordained via the Internet.

Lincoln police have 18 chaplains on hand; the department would like another 10 to 12.

"If you do the math, you'll find out that 18 chaplains can't provide 31 days of service over the course of a month," said Deacon Rich Kelly, a senior chaplain for the Lincoln department.

In Omaha and other cities, each chaplain is required to be on call for one 24-hour period a month. Because the Omaha program is understaffed, chaplains usually are scheduled to cover three or four days a month.

Omaha police chaplains wear uniforms and drive a car that identifies them as a chaplain.

They don't wear bulletproof vests or carry weapons. They are aware that the job might put them in a potentially dangerous situation, but the say the chaplain uniform is a kind of shield.

"Most people are very nice and realize we are trying to help them," said Kelly, who serves as a deacon at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Lincoln.

Chaplains handle a lot of death notifications, either alone or accompanied by police officers.

When a shooting, crash or other incident occurs, police dispatchers often will call a chaplain to the scene. Once they arrive, they are there to comfort stunned family members. Even people who don't consider themselves religious seem to appreciate having a chaplain around amid the chaos, said the

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## 2ND ANNUAL L.E.A.D.

Concerns of Police Survivors

COPS is requesting our support for the 2nd Annual "Take the L.E.A.D. - Law Enforcement Appreciation Day" coming up on **January 9, 2016**.

"This year has no doubt been a difficult one for America's hometown heroes. While the silent majority is beginning to speak up against the negativity, there is still much work to be done.

In December of last year, many law enforcement organization joined C.O.P.S. as a valued partner to fight the violence against our nation's law enforcement. With communities from every state coming together, and even oversees, the day was successful. From small gestures such as delivering cookies to local departments and school-aged children drawing thank you cards to large rallies and celebrations, our message was heard. We support America's Law Enforcement!

This year, we are able to get an earlier start. As a valued supporter of C.O.P.S., we are again asking you to join us in promoting Law Enforcement Appreciation Day on January 9, 2016. We have contacted our 49 chapters to begin

planning events at the grassroots level. We have also set up an event page on Facebook. Our next step is our media campaign.

To be included as a valued partner in our initial press release and social media announcements, we need to have your commitment no later then December 9, 2015. Organizations are still welcome to partner after this date and will be added to future media depending on the date of commitment.

What does it mean to be a valued partner and to "Take the L.E.A.D."? Our valued partners share the responsibility to promote a call to action to our nation's citizens in support of law enforcement on January 9th. Ways citizens can show their support are:

- See a police officer? Thank a police officer
- Wear blue clothing in support of law enforcement
- Send a card of support to your local police department or state agency
- Share a positive story about a positive law enforcement experience on social media
- Ask children in your community to write letters in support

- of law enforcement\
- Participate in Project Blue Light. Proudly display your blue light in support of law enforcement.
- Organize an event or a rally in support of your law enforcement officers
- Advertise your support through local media outlets/ billboards

If you would like to participate/ endorse the 2016 "Take the L.E.A.D. - Law Enforcement Appreciation Day", please email Blake Haynes, C.O.P.S. Multimedia Specialist, at blake\_haynes@nationalcops.or g

Once confirmed as a partner, we will continue to copy you on correspondence with media promotions and event updates. We do ask for you to keep us updated in the same way on your end.

We look forward to your support in making this year's Law Enforcement Appreciation Day an even greater success!"

Blake Haynes, COPS Multimedia Specialist

### **Peer Support**

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The ICPC Peer Support Team.

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### LAW ENFORCEMENT: STRESS, SPIRITUALITY, AND SURVIVAL

By Chaplain R.W. Bobby Martin

For the past several years, the media has reported on numerous shootings of police officers while on duty. These killings have traumatized law enforcement families and have shattered their dreams and hopes for the future. The killings have also dynamically increased the stress of law enforcement professionals. This additional stressor has compounded the day-to-day operational hazards for law enforcement officers. Stress in law enforcement is not uncommon or new; in fact, much research has focused on the stressors of law enforcement. Stress Management for Law Enforcement Officers written by Anderson/Swenson/Clay overviewed key stresses found in law enforcement: "discretionary power, death, injury, personal failure, dangerous situations, officer misconduct, poor supervision, disturbances, the court system, criticism from the media and public, special job assignments such as undercover work, and changes in work conditions."1

Due to current realities in our society, the stress levels of law enforcement officers is very high. I understand a small portion of the stress that law enforcement officers experience due to the similarities of our professions. As a chaplain and minister, I help people to practice the Law of God; and law enforcement officers help people by protecting and enforcing the law of man. In both instances of rule keeping, people by their own human nature do

not like to keep rules; therefore, rebellion and bad choices will often occur. Law enforcement and clergy have monumental jobs. Clergy encourage fruitful and meaningful living as well as eternal life. While the law enforcement officer distinguishes between "Life and death—his own and others . . . he acts as the agent of the law of the United States of America and the instrument of Lady Justice."<sup>2</sup>

Not only do I see the similarities of the jobs, I also see areas of possible blending. I believe we are holistic people rather than compartmentalized in our lifestyles. We demonstrate our holistic nature by constantly adopting and adapting new methods from one area of our lives to another. Therefore, my suggestion would be for people to choose to incorporate and blend the spiritual (sacred) with the physical (mundane).<sup>3</sup> In the book Spiritual Survival for Law Enforcement, the author comments on this spiritual blending: "With this in mind, it is not an exaggeration to say that law enforcement is perhaps the most spiritual of careers. It demands that the law enforcement officer live, model, and confront daily the noble values to which we all pay lip service from a comfortable distance."4

Law Enforcement has an incredible challenge to be transparent and accountable in the age of social media. The challenge and responsibility for

our communities is to place law enforcement officers into service who will be wise in the law, fair in their judgment, balanced in their behavior, and honorable in their character. In order to accomplish this task, it is simply stated by Charles Ferrara in his book Beyond the Badge-A Spiritual Survival Guide for Cops and Their Families: "So, when I think of what makes a good cop, I believe that it has a spiritual dimension as well as a professional dimension. I knew I wanted to be equipped with God's spiritual armor."

Let us incorporate all dimensions of life and fully equip ourselves as we "Protect and Serve."

Chaplain Robert W. Martin serves the Carrollton Police Department (TX)



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#### Member Logo and Use

We've been notified many are using outdated logos which are not copyrighted. Members are encouraged to use ONLY the official ICPC logo.

**Chaplain Jerry A. Patterson** of the Porterdale Police Department, (GA) recently submitted a sample of a car tag.

Logos and the Chaplaincy Supplies Vendor List is available for member use in the Members Only Section of the ICPC website.



#### Bolingbrook Police Chaplains Celebrate 25 Years of Ministry and Service

By Sharon Engert

Bolingbrook Police Chaplains (IL) are celebrating 25 years of ministry and service to the Police Department and Bolingbrook community. The Bolingbrook Police Chaplains are a voluntary association of highly and specially trained ministers that provide assistance to those (whether they be members of the police department or members of the community) in need at times of stress and crisis. In addition, they also volunteer of their time at the police department in ride-a-longs and monthly meetings.

Police Chaplaincy is an ecumenical movement of clergy responding and wanting to extend the service of the clergy association to people in crisis. Chaplains have gone through extensive background checks and have had training in police and community crisis care in order to be police chaplains. They have requirements of availability and service time with the police department and the community.

Going back to 1990, the Bolingbrook Police Department Administration saw a need for police chaplaincy and approached the

Bolingbrook Ministerial Association for clergy chaplain volunteers. In forming the chaplain unit, they modeled the Bolingbrook police chaplaincy program after the highly successful and respected Rockford, Illinois chaplaincy program.

Approximately 10 clergy volunteered. Each chaplain was on call 2 days per month. Among the names of early clergy participating were Bob Armstrong, Hal Brown, Paul Carlson, Ken Dignan, Elmer Harris, Bernard Kendrick, Brad Newton, Bill Rorer, Tom Ross, Royal Speidel, and Rich Twist.

There are currently 7 chaplains who are on-call one day per week.

The Police Chaplaincy program was originally under the police leadership of Officer Jim Lehmann and under the ministerial leadership of Rev. Rich Twist as the Coordinator. In 2000, with Officer Lehmann's police retirement, Officer Brian Ferry was the Police Liaison to the chaplains until his re-











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rial leadership has rotated among

the clergy. Currently, Rev. Sha-

Shortly after the formation of the

chaplaincy team, the immediate

need was obvious. The chaplains

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in times of crisis to the personnel

of police department and to com-

munity members. They have as-

sisted whenever there has been a

sudden death or injury, or in such

social issue areas as providing

food and shelter or emergency

transportation to persons in need.

And so, the chaplains provide a

wonderful liaison among the po-

Current clergy who are participating are (left to right) Mark Piper, Ray Hamilton,

A. J. Jones, Gerrie Mempin, Bernard

lice department and the clergy and

ron Engert is the Coordinator.



#### Suicide Prevention

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that you will reflect God's heart and be an anchor of hope to those who are hurting. Walk with them through their dark night of the soul and confidently share these life-affirming words of God: "There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off" (Proverbs 23:18).

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## PRAYER CHAIN

To participate in ICPC's Prayer Chain, email requests to this address:



icpcprayerchain@gmail.com



### NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL FUND

By Craig W. Floyd, CEO

Washington, DC—The sad reality is that on average, a law enforcement officer is killed somewhere in America every 60 hours. That tragedy hit southern California two nights ago. Wednesday night, Officer Ricardo Galvez of the Downey (CA) Police Department was shot during what appears to be a botched robbery. Officer Galvez was apparently shot at close range in his personal car, incredibly, while parked in a cityowned lot used by other police officers and city officials.

This young man was only 29. He was a Marine, and by all accounts,

was proud to serve his country and his community. He is the 112<sup>th</sup> law enforcement officer to die in the line of duty nationwide this year, and the 5<sup>th</sup> in California. The 113<sup>th</sup> was Georgia Ports Authority Police Corporal William Solomon, who died yesterday after being struck by a drunk driver.

Every law enforcement officer in this country lives with the daily risk of facing death or injury while on duty. Yet, they push ahead, serving and protecting their towns, cities, states and country. Too often, it is easy for citizens to take that risk for granted. Such lapses are jarred awake when a law enforcement officer is killed doing his or her job. Our respect for the danger these professionals deal with constantly should be as ongoing as their dedication to us.

The thoughts and prayers of law enforcement professionals around the country are with Officer Galvez's family and friends as they are with Corporal Solomon's. Unfortunately, we could be saying the same for another officer within 60 hours.

#### **About the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund**

Established in 1984, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is a private non-profit organization dedicated to telling the story of American law enforcement and making it safer for those who serve. The Memorial Fund maintains the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, which contains the names of the 20,538 officers who have died in the line of duty throughout U.S. history. The Memorial Fund is now working to create the National Law Enforcement Museum, which will tell the story of law enforcement through high-tech, interactive exhibitions, historical artifacts and extensive educational programming. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.LawMemorial.org">www.LawMemorial.org</a>.

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Your ICPC family is waiting to hear from you!

I failed to say how much I like the new ICPC web page format.

It's simple, clean and clear. I hope we are having lots of traffic to it.

My thanks to the responsible parties.



## DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

#### RONNIE WHITE, CHAIR

Dear Fellow Chaplain,

Now in existence for forty-two (42) years, the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) continues to strive to expand its programs and offerings to the communities and departments in which we serve. We hope that you will be able to take part in one or more of the many exciting trainings (RTS/ATS) that are offered this year and experience firsthand the pride we take in supporting our Chaplains.

It is our mission to 'Develop professional law enforcement chaplains through dynamic education and support". In order to meet our mission and provide services that will benefit our communities and departments, we rely on the generosity of our membership and business communities for support.

Without the assistance of community-minded members just like you, we wouldn't be able to serve those in our communities each year.

We ask that you make a commitment to support our appeal by making a donation. This year our goal is \$25,000.00 and we hope

that you will be able to make a contribution. Your generosity will make a difference in ICPC by allowing us to continue in our work.

Remember that every donation makes a difference, regardless of size, and you are a valued member of ICPC. Please make your donation today by going to the ICPC website, ICPC4COPS.org.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Ronnie White serves the Chicago Heights Police Department, IL

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE**—The Annual meeting of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 11-15, 2016. Business to be conducted will include: receiving reports of the officers and committees, acting upon recommendations of the same, setting the 2015-2016 budget, elections and any other business necessary and proper to come before said meeting.

#### **IT MATTERS!**

#### By Chuck Congram

I'm certain the story I'm about to tell you is little more than urban legend. However, Mickey Mantle, former great with the New York Yankees recounts this as if it were absolute truth. Involved in all of this is his buddy Billy Martin who had recently been successful as manager of a ball team known as the turnaround club. As a reward for his effectiveness Billy had been presented with a hunting rifle and had asked Mickey about the possibility of going deer hunting. Mickey indicated he had a doctor friend down near San Antonio who had a ranch but that it would be a four hour drive

Billy was quick to agree to the journey and when they arrived at the ranch Mickey left him in the car while he went to speak with the doctor. Quickly it was agreed that they could make their way out onto ranch property but the doctor made a special request of Mickey. His 20-year-old donkey was not well and he asked if Mickey would be willing to put the donkey down. On his return to the car Mickey reported to Billy that the ornery old doctor would not agree and he pointed to the mule and said "Just to show him I'm going to shoot that mule!" Though Billy wanted to argue Mickey eventually wrested control of his rifle and headed out to the barnyard. With one single shot he completed the deed. Before he could turn to Billy he heard three shots fired and an excited Billy announcing "I got three of his cows!".

True or not, I relate that story today for a couple of primary reasons. Firstly, it illustrates the importance of clarity of assignment. If people don't understand what is expected of them the results can often be unpredictable or even disastrous. Secondly, it is critical to anticipate outcomes. What we do doesn't always result in what we thought it would so thinking about what else might happen is strategic. For those working in law enforcement these are basic understandings and an essential part of training-clarity of assignment and consideration of all possible outcomes.

In the early stages of one's career as a police officer it is common to describe motivation in words such as: "I want to help people" or "I want to make a difference!" But the reality is that one may not be very far into their career before he or she realizes helping people and making a significant difference can be rare moments in this profession. Instead a growing frustration develops around issues such as repeat offenders, a seemingly indifferent justice system and even disappointments of why I should be the one called to uphold the law while at the same time being considered, from time to time. as a possible offender. Thus the outcome-"It doesn't really matter!"

We've gathered here today to not only remember colleagues who died this past year but to remind those who continue to serve that what you do matters to a host of people with whom you may never interact.

It matters that you bring your best to bear on that domestic situation because this time it might lead to someone getting help either as the perpetrator or the victim and that could make a difference in that circle of relationship. It matters when you attend a 10-45 call and respond in a compassionate way for a family who has lost a loved one. Your words of understanding may be the first steps in a healing journey through grief for them. It matters when you're assigned a call for a suicidal person because you may be just the person who can encourage that individual to seek help and thereby spare a family from a lifetime of pain. And let me tell you, as much as it may put you at personal risk, it matters when you respond to that gun call for my safety and that of an entire community may be at stake. It matters that you pursue the individual responsible for the breakin, the assault, the fraud, the hitand-run because you make us feel safer where we live and work. And from personal experience I can tell you that it matters when you respond to that 10-50 PI (personal injury accident) because I happen to be one of the drivers involved.

So today I need you to hear something loud and clear. In those moments and on those calls when you are tempted to embrace a sense of resignation I need only two words to be echoing in your head and heart in those words are these: IT MATTERS!!!

Chuck Gongram serves with the Windsor Police Service in Ontario, Canada.



#### MEMBERS ONLY SECTION

To register for the Members Only Section of the ICPC website you must use the email we currently have on file.

## **Favorite Christmas Blessings**

By Chaplain Paul Northcut

It was a cold December night, close to Christmas. Blossom and I were just about to sit down to eat supper when the phone rang; it was a man named Billy. Him, his wife and two small children; a boy 3 and a girl 4 years old, were at the Main Street Mission here in Russellville AR. By this time in the evening, about 6 pm, the Mission was closed. But there were folks around. One of those folks said, "I suggest you try calling the Chaplain." which he did.

So I went down to meet these folks and see what we could do. They were coming from CO. trying to get somewhere, anywhere, where things might be better. They had lost their jobs and then their home. They had some contacts in Southern Arkansas and thought that by coming south, it would at least be warmer than CO. Billy told me that he and his wife were both Christians and had been praying that somehow God would help them take care of their family. Billy told me they had taught the kids to pray and that all along the way the little girl would pray, "Jesus, please take care of

us." They needed food, gas, a place to spend the night and maybe most of all some encouragement.

I called the Mission Director, and explained the situation – one that we have heard over and over again. The Director said the Mission would fill their gas tank, so I led them to the convenience store and took care of that. Next I talked to my good friend Al Brown at Brown's Catfish Restaurant. When I explained the circumstances. Al said "Let's get these folks fed, don't worry about cost – I'll take care of it." So while they feasted on the best Catfish in the state I went down to the Motel and arranged for a room.

After taking care of the lodging I went back to the restaurant to tell them where they would be staying. I had prayer with them there at their table and put some cash in Billy's shirt pocket.

As I was about to leave the little girl looked up, and with the sincerity that only a 4 year old could have, she asked, "Mister, are you Jesus?" For a couple seconds I just stood there, pondering her question and how to answer it. Then I said, "No honey, I just work for Him."

To tell you the truth, sometimes I get tired of ministry; it's called 'Compassion Fatigue.' But every now and then everything gets put in perspective and I am reminded who I work for... I am most blessed!

Thank you for letting me share this with you. And thank you to those who pray for and support this ministry. If you would like to financially help with this ministry, we could really use your gifs at this time. My prayer for you is that the Lord will bless you and use you for His glory. If I can assist you or yours please call anytime. And have a very Merry CHRISTmas and a Blessed New Year.

Chaplain Paul Northcut serves the Russellville Police Department in Arkansas.



**2016 Exclusive Scholarship Application Deadline**—4/30/16



Motorola Solutions Foundation provided a generous grant which allows ICPC to offer our members an opportunity to apply for a scholarship to attend the 2016 ATS training.

Applications will be available for members as early as **March 1, 2016**. To download an application visit our website: www.icpc4cops.org—Members Only Section—Annual Training Seminar.

## **Passionate Police Chaplain**

By Tim Hendrick

In Pastor Tim Polley's eyes becoming chaplain for the Carrollton Police Department (KY) was a given considering how law enforcement runs in his family. His father and uncle were both police officers in southern Illinois, and Polley's first college degree was in law enforcement.

Before Polley became a pastor, he worked for 20 years in security for John Deere. The running joke at the production facility was the security's warning lights should have been green and yellow, he said

Law enforcement and a deep passion in Christian beliefs were tied together for Polley. He was a lay minister for eight years before he entered the seminary. He graduated from University of Dubuque Theological Seminary in 2011. He began his second career as a minister at the First Christian Church in Benton, Ky., and spent a brief time at the First Christian Church in Dawson Springs, Ky., before coming to Carrollton Christian Church Jan. 1, 2015.

Although Polley has not been in Carrollton for very long he has become a very active person in the community and can be seen at most community events.

Polley is in his second year as a police chaplain, having served for a year with the Benton Police Department before coming to Carrollton.

"The Carrollton Police Department and Mayor Robb Adams have been very receptive to the chaplain position," Polley said. "Each month I send the chief and the mayor a report outlining what I

have accomplished. I think of the officers as my kids. They are my cop flock."

Polley has blessed the new police cars, attended the graduations of new officers Kyle Stewart and Wes McDonald and conducted an anointing service for the officers before starting on the streets. Polley said he also has been a resource to other pastors conducting services for fallen officers.

Polley has been very active on social media, sharing his work as chaplain. He even has inspired one of his seminary classmates to become the chaplain for the Ottumwa, Iowa police department.

Polley tries to ride along with each officer a few hours at a time once or twice a month. He said this helps build a trust between himself and the officers.

"If I can build that trust maybe I can reduce what they have to take home with them every day," Polley said. "That way they can be more relaxed around their families."

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Regional Tab—Regional Training.

Some of the trainings he has completed are how to build trust, counseling, and working with an officer and with the public.

As CPD's chaplain, Polley has represented Carrollton at two funerals of fallen Kentucky officers. The department of every fallen officer in the United States and some in foreign countries have received a hand-written note from

Polley. He said he receives responses back from most of the departments and/or families that receive the notes. Polley used to send notes to the departments with wounded officers, but said he could no longer keep up with the volume of notes to be written.

Polley also has jumped into CPD's Shop with a Cop fundraising efforts. The department has sold all 50 of the "Cuffy the Carrollton K9" stuffed animals in the initial order, and more have been ordered and will arrive in time to make great Christmas presents. Between the dogs and the lunch at Big Al's Deli he organized, more than \$600 has been raised for Shop with a Cop.

He also is involved with the Stuff the Cruiser drive that collects food for the Food Pantry of Carroll County. The city police will host a second Stuff the Cruiser event from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Carrollton Kroger. Polley said he is also called when someone is not affiliated with a church and needs clergy. Recently a lady passed away with no church, and Polley took the husband to the hospital in Louisville where he was able to make the necessary arrangements.

He also is there to help the dispatchers. They are truly some of the first responders through their initial contact with victims, he said. They have stressful jobs and face the issues as officers.

His oldest son Sean is a secondyear police officer with Saint Louis University and is currently on bike patrol. Sean has a law en-

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## Region 1—Canadian Chaplains Association

By Leslie H. Schrader

The Canadian Police Chaplain Association, 2015 Annual Training Seminar was held in the beautiful heritage city of Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. Chaplains from Vancouver Island, on the west coast, to Newfoundland, on the east coast, gathered for the event. We were honored to have Mark Bardsley, ICPC President Elect and John Transue, Academic Registrar as guests.

Attendance was low this year (36), due mainly to financial cutbacks in the RCMP. However other Police agencies were well represented. The total number of Police Chaplains in Canada registered with us is 324.

Warren Vollmer, the host chaplain and his team, gave us a warm welcome, and presented an excellent seminar with qualified presenters. The warmth and fellowship was truly enjoyed by all, including three new Chaplains.

President Rod Willems conducted the annual meeting. One of the main discussions had to do with our Basis Curriculum which needs to come in line with ICPC standards, with the basic courses being taught by certified presenters.

As ICPC revamps their basic courses, CPCA will be doing the same. There seemed to be no disagreement to that process. Also, the CPCA and ICPC Mission and Vision partnership was discussed and encouraged.

The CPCA executive will be gathering together for a three day work session regarding policy, vision and curriculum. Our web site and promotional materials need to be reworked, and a strategy to show Police Forces the need of Chap-

lains to be trained and equipped.

At our Memorial Service, we remembered four Police Officers who were killed while on duty.

This was one of the warmest seminars we have had, with the strong sense of togetherness, encouragement, and genuine love (no negatives there). It is indeed a privilege for Canada to be Region 1 of the International Conference of Police Chaplains.

My God guide us, and use us, in our ministry to Law enforcement Officers and their families.

Chaplain Leslie H. Schrader is the

Regional Director for Region 1 and currently serves the Royal Canadian Mounted Police



## Region 12—Jamaican Constabulary Force

By Gary Welsh

The President of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) Chaplain Mark Clements and his wife Paula Clements arrived at the Sangster International Airport, Jamaica 7pm, Monday, November 16, 2015.

On their arrival, they were greeted and accorded diplomatic courtesies by representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade and a team from the Jamaica Constabulary Force headed by Bishop Dr. Gary Welsh, Assistant Commissioner of Police who is also the ICPC Region 12 Director.

The team comprised of Pastor Gary Buddoo-Fletcher – Chief

Chaplain, Corporal Fitzroy Rochester – Close protection Officer and Corporal Tania Layne - Close Protection Officer. The couple was then escorted to The Holiday Inn Resort, Rose Hall, Montego Bay, Jamaica.

On Tuesday November 17, the first of many stops by the President was a courtesy call on the Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP), Mr. Winchroy Budhoo at Area 1 Police Headquarters in Montego Bay, St. James, where he presented the ACP with a coin.

Chaplain Clements engaged one hundred and eighty (180) participants inclusive of fifty four (54) Police Officers, on B01, B02, B06, B10 and an Enrichment Course on Robert's Rule of Order.

He also addressed the Association of Christian Peace Officers (ACPO) and participated in the swearing in ceremony for the new Executive body. The movement was started by Chaplain Vivian Panton, 14 years ago under the theme "Portraying Christ in Law Enforcement."

Chaplain Clements and his wife toured the "Independence of the Sea" cruise ship which was docked at the Trelawny Pier.

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#### Passionate Police Chaplain

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forcement degree from the University of Dubuque. Polley said Sean was able to do one of his internships with the Benton police department when they were living there.

Polley has started a national Face-book group for parents with children serving as law enforcement officers. The opportunity to share resources or just to vent with those who understand what they are going through is enough to get them through, he said. The group has more than 3,000 members. Polley also tries to speak with parents who have lost children in the line of work.

"This is not work to me," Polley said. "On my day off, there is nothing better than spending time talking to an officer."

Polley sees himself not as a church pastor but a work pastor, a pastor to the community. He wants to show the officers and the community there is someone who cares. Polley is proud of the officers and wants the community to be proud of them too. They are the heroes, he said.

"Chaplain is a volunteer position," Polley said. "That makes me a tax-free and value-added asset." Polley collects departmental patches and has 400-500 patches in his collection. He is always looking for someone with a connection to get him a patch. Tammy Barry made him a chaplain patch that is different than the CPD officer patch.

Polley lost a close friend to post traumatic stress disorder in 2014. The officer was wounded

and, after his experience, he wrote a book titled "My Second Chance."

Polley and the officer's wife have set up a foundation that provides small scholarships to high school seniors that will be entering college with a planned study in law enforcement. For more information about the scholarship, email Tim Polley at firsttimothy64@gmail.com.

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Chaplain Tim Polley (seated) pictured with the Carrollton Police Department (KY) officers (left to right) Andy Sisenstein, Keith Dews, Wes McDonald, Jennifer Crowell, and Kyle Stewart

## **Chaplain Memoriam**



Chaplain Reynaldo A. Lantigua DOD: 4/25/2015

Condolences to: Family of Chaplain Lantigua 1231 Wheeling Avenue Deltona, FL 32725-5878

Chaplain Capistran J. Hanlon DOD: 2/5/2015

Condolences to: Family of Chaplain Hanlon 515 Loudon Rd. Loudonville, NY 12211



Chaplain Baron A. McCoy DOD: 10/25/2015

Condolences to: Family of Chaplain McCoy 143 Glasswycke Drive Glassboro, NJ 08028

"Our hearts and prayers are with the families."

#### Region 12—Jamaican Constabulary Force

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– 28th 2015, The Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF) observed Police Week under the theme "Promoting Transparency in the Face of Adversity."

Rev. Mark Clements lead the prayer for the nation at the National Commemorative and Police Memorial Service at the Lucea United Church located at Church Street, Lucea, Hanover.

The Clements' where then escorted into Kingston Jamaica where they spend three (3) nights at the

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#### Omaha Police Chaplains Bring Calming Presence

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Rev. Damon Laaker, who leads Omaha's program.

"There's all kinds of stuff swirling around, but to have a chaplain there ... becomes a calming force," said Laaker, a pastor at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1326 S. 26th St.

"Sometimes, I don't have to do anything other than be present." Being present also means being there for police officers, who often seek counseling from chaplains.

Nearly all 13 Omaha chaplains were summoned to the city's police precincts and other locations in May, when Omaha Police Officer Kerrie Orozco was killed while trying to make an arrest.

"If the chaplains weren't there

when Kerrie died, I would have gotten phone calls," said Capt. Michele Bang, who oversees the department's chaplain program. "They were needed, and we were glad they were there."

"We walk alongside officers, ride with them and are there to support them and help them do what they do," ICPC President Mark Clements

In Council Bluffs, police officers routinely seek counseling from the department's seven chaplains. Helping officers has become the chaplains' main focus.

"Our chaplains' primary responsibility is officers first," said Lt.
Dan Flores. "It takes a year or two to earn the trust of police officers. It's not an easy culture to be accepted to."

That can be frustrating to some thinking about chaplain work, Bang said.

"You have to be a really patient person," Bang said. "Chaplains know that police officers need spiritual guidance at times, but officers can be a reluctant group. It can be emotional."

Despite the stresses, the potential dangers and weird hours, chaplain work is one of the most rewarding ways to serve God and others, those involved say. The members of the Omaha chaplain corps hope more clergy — especially those who speak Spanish — will think about the job.

"When someone is having a hard time and needs to talk, maybe I'm the only safe person they have," Doering said. "That's God working through me."

#### Region 12—Jamaican Constabulary Force

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brand new Courtyard Marriott Hotel. They were the first guests to register at this hotel. (Congratulations!!! They will forever remain in the history of the hotel).

The President participated in a live broadcast on Love 101 with host Rev. Clinton Chisolm and on News Talk 93, where he spoke about the value of Chaplaincy to Law Enforcement.

Chaplain Mark Clements paid five (5) courtesy calls whilst in Kingston. Those with whom he met were; the Commissioner of Police, Dr. Carl Williams, the Honorable Minister of Education Rev. Ronald Thwaites, Mrs. Judith Cheese-Morris Secretary of the Police and Judicial Services Commission, The Most Honorable

Prime Minister of Jamaica, Portia Simpson-Miller and the Governor General of Jamaica His Excellency, The Most Honorable Sir Patrick Allen.

The climax to his visit was the International Conference of Police Chaplains Region 12 Induction Ceremony which was held, at the Andrews Memorial Seventh Day Adventist Church in Kingston.

Thirty-one (31) new Members from Transport Authority, thirty (30) new members from Ministry of Education and one hundred (100) new members from Jamaica Constabulary Force received certificates and pins presented by President Clements.

Chaplain Clements and wife departed the island on Wednesday, November 25, 2015. They were

escorted to Norman Manley International Airport in Kingston Jamaica. There the two close protection officers were presented with coins.

To God be the glory as we work on processing the approximately one hundred new applications for membership into ICPC.



left to right: Sgt. Coldridge Minto; Radley Reid; Rev. Maxine Welsh; Bishop Dr. Gary Welsh; Sir Patrick Allen, Governor General of Jamaica; ICPC President Mark Clements and wife, Paula; Pastor Gary A. Buddoo-Fletcher; Mrs. Nerine Small; and Mr. Donald Foster.

## LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

EOW (End of Watch) Dates: August 16, 2015 through November 15, 2015

SHERIFF	Detention Officer Tronoski Jones  Harris County Sheriff's Office, TX EOW: Thursday, August 20, 2015	STATE POLICE	Senior Trooper Steven Vincent Louisiana State Police, LA EOW: Monday, August 24, 2015
POLICE STORY	Sergeant Peggy Vassallo  Bellefontaine Neighbors PD, MO EOW: Monday, August 24, 2015		Police Officer Henry Nelson  Sunset Police Department, LA EOW: Wednesday, August 26, 2015
	Trooper James Matthew Bava  Missouri State Highway Patrol, MO EOW: Friday, August 28, 2015		Trooper Chad Wolf  Michigan State Police, MI EOW: Friday, August 28, 2015
<b>SHELLEY</b>	Deputy Sheriff Darren Goforth  Harris County Sheriff's Office, TX EOW: Friday, August 28, 2015		Sergeant Miguel Perez-Rios  Puerto Rico Police Department, PR EOW: Monday, September 7, 2015
	Lieutenant Roy McLaughlin  Yonkers Police Department, NY EOW: Thursday, September 10, 2015	PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE PROPERTY	Deputy Chief John McKee  City University NY DPS, NY EOW: Saturday, September 12, 2015
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SHERIFF	Deputy Sheriff Dwight Maness  McHenry County Sheriff's Office, IL EOW: Monday, September 14, 2015	SHERIFE	Deputy Sheriff Richard Hall  Chatham County Sheriff's Office, GA EOW: Wednesday, September 16, 2015
	Sergeant Eric Meier  Crawford Police Department, NY EOW: Thursday, September 17, 2015		Trooper Kyle Young  Vermont State Police, VT EOW: Thursday, September 17, 2015
	Police Officer Kevin Toatley  DeKalb County Police Dept, GA EOW: Saturday, September 19, 2015	URGULA TATE	Trooper Nathan-Michael Smith  Virginia State Police, VA EOW: Monday, September 21, 2015

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	Park Ranger James Marvin Wallen, Jr.  Hamilton County Parks/Rec Dept, TN EOW: Sunday, October 25, 2015			Deputy Constable Jeffrey Radford  Bell County Constable's Office - Pct 3, TX  EOW: Wednesday, October 28, 2015
	Sergeant William Karl Keesee  Texas DPS - Texas Highway Patrol, TX EOW: Thursday, October 29, 2015			Police Officer Daniel Scott Webster  Albuquerque Police Department, NM EOW: Thursday, October 29, 2015
	Police Officer Bryce Edward Hanes  San Bernardino Police Department, CA EOW: Thursday, November 5, 2015			Police Officer Daniel Neil Ellis Richmond Police Department, KY EOW: Friday, November 6, 2015
	Police Officer Stacy Lynn Case Columbia Police Department, SC EOW: Saturday, November 7, 2015			Police Chief Darrell Lemond Allen  Marlin Police Department, TX  EOW: Tuesday, November 10, 2015
COLORADO STATE PACE	Trooper Jaimie L. Jursevics  Colorado State Patrol, CO EOW: Sunday, November 15, 2015			

"When a police officer is killed, it's not an agency that loses an officer, it's an entire nation." ~Chris Cosgriff, ODMP Founder

## K9 LINE OF DUTY DEATHS

EOW (End of Watch) Dates: August 16, 2015 through November 15, 2015





#### K9 Kojack

Maryland Division of Correction, MD EOW: Tuesday, August 25, 2015





#### K9 Dingo

Maryland Division of Correction, MD EOW: Tuesday, August 25, 2015





#### K9 Ike

Vancouver Police Department, WA EOW: Wednesday, September 2, 2015



#### K9 Dutch

Minneapolis Police Department, MN EOW: Saturday, September 5, 2015





K9 Koa

Lander Police Department, WY EOW: Friday, October 16, 2015



## K9 Hyco

Anderson County Sheriff's Office, SC EOW: Wednesday, October 21, 2015





Chaplain Gordon Harper, WV, delivering a memorial Bible commemorating K9 Officer Koa to the Lander PD (WY) (I to r—Chaplain Gordon Harper, Sgt. John Cunningham (K9 Koa's handler) and Chief Bob Cecrle

#### I AM A WORKING DOG

My eyes are your eyes,
to watch you and
to protect you and yours,
My ears are your ears,
to hear and detect evil mind in the dark,
My nose is your nose,
to scent the invader of your domain,
And so you may live,
My life is also yours.
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#### **Memorial Bible**

The first ICPC memorial Bible was received by the Miller County (Arkansas) Sheriff's Department on April 17, 1984.

Regional Officers, Area Representatives, and ICPC receive notification about officer deaths from either the Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP) or Canadian Officer Down Memorial Page (CODMP).

The Regional Director and/or Area Representative contacts members in the agency or area, soliciting their assistance. The chaplain is tasked with contacting the agency and inquiring as to whether dealing with them or the family is appropriate and whether they would like to receive the Bible by personal presentation or direct mail. If a personal presentation is preferred a time is worked out between the agency and the chaplain.

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.

We invite you to partner with us to continue this vital ministry of compassion to those who have lost a loved one in the Line of Duty. Your donation to the Memorial Bible Program is tax deductible.





Commemorating
First Responders

A program honoring fallen heroes in our communities

Presented by Wilbert Funeral Services, Inc. (WFSI) and Wilbert Licensees, in cooperation with area funeral professionals Commemorating First Responders provides families of firefighters, law enforcement officers and emergency medical personnel who have died in the line of duty with a tribute worthy of their valor and sacrifice.

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Wilbert Funeral Services, Inc. 1-888-WILBERT OR Terry Whitlock 708-681-7040

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#### How the program works

- 1. WFSI is notified by the respective first responder organization about the line-of-duty death.
- 2. That organization also notifies the family about the Commemorating First Responders program and learns which funeral home will be serving the family.
- 3. WFSI or the local Wilbert Licensee contacts the funeral home to coordinate the free vault or cremation option.
- 4. The funeral professional helps the family choose options and arrange the service.



## NEW MEMBERS

Dates: August 16, 2015 through November 15, 2015

Region 2			
Hanson, Doug R.	Cheyenne	WY	
Miller, James S.	Portland	OR	
Moore, Greg D.	Auburn	WA	
Schmidt, Paul F.	Fairview	OR	

Region 3			
Hunter, Michael W.	Hermantown	MN	
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Kuester, Boyd L.	North Liberty	IA	
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LeClaire, Brooke N.	Duluth	MN	
Perry, Russ	Papillion	NE	

Region 4			
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Strnad, Edward H.	Maple Heights	ОН	
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Williams, Darnell K.	Lima	ОН	
Wold, Louis G.	Lockport	IL	

Region 5				
Barner, Philip R. Andover NY				
Fulford, Douglas A.	Richboro	PA		
Hendrickson, Edward J. Brooklyn NY				

Region 6			
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Massey, James	Rialto	CA	

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Giles, Elbert W.	Shreveport	LA	
Knapp, Thomas A.	Minden	LA	
Koons, Roy	Kenner	LA	
Manuel, Richard Keith	Pineville	LA	
McCullough, Kevin D.	Oklahoma City	ОК	
Nave, Jeffery W.	Pearl River	LA	
Rhoderick, Roger A.	Georgetown	TX	
Williams, Artis	Shreveport	LA	

Region 8			
Baird, Marvin N.	Lamar	MS	
Bell, Andrew S.	Harrison	TN	
Brinson, Marcus L.	Gainesville	FL	
Brown, Timothy A.	Brunswick	GA	
Brychta, Ben	Hixson	TN	
Cothern, Henry A.	Chattanooga	TN	
Delaney, Darren	Chattanooga	TN	
Floyd, Gregory	Maryville	TN	
Govoni, Robert G., Jr.	Pensacola	FL	
Hampton, Bobby L.	Ooltewah	TN	
Holbrook, Robert R.	Maryville	TN	
Jamison, Yaxley C.	Miami Gardens	FL	
Johnson, Fernie	Miami Gardens	FL	
Johnson, Wayne L.	Ooltewah	TN	
Kohntopp, Thomas F.	Maryville	TN	
Kratz, Benjamin K.	Sterrett	AL	
McCrory, Mark K.	Chattanooga	TN	
Miller, Benjamin F.	Chattanooga	TN	
Montgomery, Michael W.	Chattanooga	TN	
Noble, Alonzo W.	Chattanooga	TN	
O'Connor, Charles E.	Maryville	TN	
O'Neil, Charles D.	Maryville	TN	
Sanchez, Joseph E.	Chattanooga	TN	
Taylor, J. Anthony	Hitson	TN	

## NEW MEMBERS

Dates: August 16, 2015 through November 15, 2015

Region	8	
Taylor, L. Clark	Chattanooga	TN
Tomlin, Harry C.	Crestview	FL
Troutman, Harvey R.	Meridian	MS
Turner, Sheila M.	Port Orange	FL
Ussery, Tuwan M.	Ooltewah	TN
Ware, Roderick L.	Chattanooga	TN
Woodrow, Joshua M.	Chattanooga	TN
Word, Donald B.	Gadsen	AL
Young, James N.	Maryville	TN

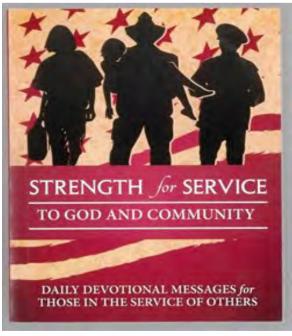
Region 9			
Warner, Wynn R.	Waianae	HI	

Region 12				
Bailey, Ryan O.	Portland	Jamaica		
Birch, Howard C.	St. Catherine	Jamaica		
Braimbridge, Karen C.	Kingston	Jamaica		
Brown, Calvin A.	Kingston	Jamaica		
Brown, Janet V.	Montego Bay	Jamaica		
Brown, Kerole A.	St. Elizabeth	Jamaica		
Bryan, Jacqueline D.	St Catherine	Jamaica		
Bryan, Larrian L.	Kingston	Jamaica		
Campbell, Jennifer M.	Manchester	Jamaica		
Campbell, Paulette M.	Portland	Jamaica		
Clarke, Francian C.	Spanish Town	Jamaica		
Clarke, Junior A.	Westmoreland	Jamaica		
Codner, Andrew A.	Kingston	Jamaica		
Coombs-Williams, Kerry-Ann	St Thomas	Jamaica		
Danhi, Tania S.	St. Mary	Jamaica		
Dixon-Malcolm, Jennifer E.	Kingston	Jamaica		
Douglas, Gregory	Hanover	Jamaica		
Edwards-Pinnock, Sandra D.	St Elizabeth	Jamaica		
Fennell-Bell, Marsha M.	Manchester	Jamaica		
Fisher-Gunn, Millicent J.	St. Catherine	Jamaica		
Forbes, Keneisha A.	Spanish Town	Jamaica		
Getfield-Beckford, Janette D.	St. Catherine	Jamaica		
Gooden-Wellington, Orlene J.	Portland	Jamaica		
Grant, Phillip J.	St. Mary	Jamaica		

Region 12					
Hamilton, Andre R.	Ocho Rios	Jamaica			
Hayden, Marie A.	St. Ann	Jamaica			
Johnson, Sylvia E.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Kerr, Kerry-Ann A.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Lawrence-Rose, Louise K.	Kingston	Jamaica			
Loney, Tetlorene E.	St. Catherine	Jamaica			
Love, Pollygean O.	Clarendon	Jamaica			
Magnus-Watson, Anna-Kay	Kingston	Jamaica			
McIntosh-Vassell, Nordia T.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Miller, Bevin S.	St Mary	Jamaica			
Miller, Orita	Spanich Town	Jamaica			
Morant, Gwendolyn O.	Montego Bay	Jamaica			
Mullings-Goode, Wendy J.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Parke, Paul A.	Clarendon	Jamaica			
Porter, Ruel O.	Montego Bay	Jamaica			
Reid, Demoy S.	Kingston	Jamaica			
Robinson, Neville C.	Westmoreland	Jamaica			
Robinson, Shelly A.	Kingston	Jamaica			
Robinson-Wright, Andrea V.	Kingston	Jamaica			
Ross, Alvan R.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Rowe, Tajnah D.	Westmoreland	Jamaica			
Salmon, Lakeisha S.	St Mary	Jamaica			
Smikle, Enrico N.	Manchester	Jamaica			
Smith, Arlene K.	St. Mary	Jamaica			
Smith, Rohan A.	Trelawny	Jamaica			
Smith, Wayne	Kingston	Jamaica			
Smith-Miller, Merlene E.	St James	Jamaica			
Stephens, Dereefe A.	Calrendon	Jamaica			
Thompson, Kerry Ann D.	Kingston	Jamaica			
Troupe, Richard P.	St Catherine	Jamaica			
Vaughan, Sean J.	Westmoreland	Jamaica			
Walker, Banneta T.	St. Andrew	Jamaica			
White, Steve A.	Clarendon	Jamaica			
Whyte, Stacy- Ann	Manchester	Jamaica			
Wood, Rachelle A.	Montego Bay	Jamaica			
Young, Anthony R.	St. Andrew	Jamaica			
Young-Daley, Racquel Y.	St. Catherine	Jamaica			

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Regional Training Seminars					
Area	Year	Dates	Location	Contact Information	
Canadian Chaplain's Association	2016	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Region #2	2016	Feb 8-11	Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center 289 N. Spruce Cannon Beach, OR 97110	Jerry Gaidos 503-791-1705 clatsopcochaplain@gmail.com	
Region #3	2016	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Region #4	2016	Mar 7-9	Bavarian Inn Lodge 713 S. Main Street Frankenmuth, MI	Chaplain Bill Sanders 989-674-2421 chaplainbill4msp@aol.com	
Region #5	2016	April 28-30	Flanders Hotel 719 East 11th Street Ocean City, NJ	Dan Schafer 732-928-8847 vernad@optonline.net	
Region #7	2016	April 18-21	Lubbock, Texas	Sgt. Lowell Owens	
Region #8	2016	Feb 29-March 3	Epworth By The Sea 100 Arthur J. Moore Drive St. Simons Island, Georgia 31522	Charles Houston 914-531-1154 clhumc@yahoo.com	
Region #8	2015- 2016	Day 1—11/19/15 Day 2—1/21/16 Day 3—4/21/16	Meridian PS Training Facility 1180 Sand Flat Road Meridian, MS 39301	Chaplain John Temple 601-513-7030 john@psdbc.org	
Region #9	2016	TBD	TBD	Andy Kikuta chaplainalien@yahoo.com	

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Area	Year	Dates	Location	Contact Information	
Region #6	2016	July 11-15	<b>2016 ATS</b> Marriott  Albuquerque, NM	Craig Hungler	
Region #8	2017	July 10-14	2017 ATS Sheraton Norfolk, VA	craig.hungler@icpc4cops.org	

Regional Directors						
REG#	COMPOSED OF	PHONE	DIRECTOR	SERVING		
1	Canada—Canadian Chaplains Association	705-345-5266	Les Schrader	2015		
2	Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming 425-985-4619 Mike Ryan		2015			
3	Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North and South Dakota	218-929-1110	Steve Breitbarth	2012		
4	Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, Wisconsin  608-799-7211  Acting RD Frank O'Laughlin		2015			
5	Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hamp- shire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont	732-928-8847	<u>Dan Schafer</u>	2003		
6	Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah	916-799-9002	Mindi Russell	2015		
7	Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas	417-434-8015	David Schepper	2008		
8	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia	334-806-5707	Leon Adams	2003		
9	Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Pacific Area	808-395-9914	Andy Kikuta	2009		
10	Europe					
11	Africa	254-722-733804	Kibinge Wa Muturi	2003		
12	Caribbean	876-819-3902	Gary Welsh	2010		



Region 1 Leslie Schrader



Region 2 Mike Ryan



Region 3 Steve Breitbarth



Region 4 Act RD Frank O'Laughlin



Region 5 Dan Schafer



Region 6 Mindi Russell



Region 7 David Schepper



Region 8 Leon Adams



Region 9 Andy Kikuta



Region 10



Region 11 Kibinge Wa Muturi



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