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Emergency Chaplains

DECEMBER 2016



HOMELESS OUTREACH WITH DPD



L-R: Ofc. Kendrick Hunter, Ofc. Douglas Beckett, Chaplain Johnny Hewett, Capt. Walter Tate

Emergency Chaplains has partnered with the Durham Police Department to reach out to the homeless population in the city.

Durham PD asked Emergency Chaplains to assist them in creating winter hygiene kits for their officers to distribute in an outreach effort to those living on our streets. The kits give the officers an opportunity to interact with the homeless while efforts are made to direct them to housing and medical services.

Each kit includes a warm hat, gloves and socks along with hygiene items and sometimes food and water.

Special thanks to the folks from Braggtown Baptist Church, Dayspring Fellowship, Bethel Christian Center and Hope Creek Church for providing items for this project. If you or your church would like to help with this project in January please contact Chaplain Ralph at (919) 280-8908.

CHAPLAIN FIELD REPORTS

Following are some highlights from recent reports. Names have been omitted because of the confidentiality of our work.

***Chaplains responded to an accident involving a school bus on December 13th. The chaplains were able to board the bus and help calm the children while EMS crews accessed injuries. Twenty-four of the passengers were not injured and were transferred to another bus that took them to school. Those who were injured were transported to local hospitals. Chaplains also responded to those local emergency rooms during this incident. Patients who were treated and released at the hospital were then given a ride to school by the chaplain.*

***A chaplain responded to a call of a male in his mid-20s who had committed suicide by hanging himself.*

***Two chaplains responded to a scene where a male in his mid-20s was found dead by a family member, reportedly due to a heroin overdose. The chaplains were able to minister to the family and explain the process of the investigation that had to be conducted by law enforcement and the Medical Examiner's office.*

***At the request of EMS, two chaplains responded to a local hotel where a 60 year old was in cardiac arrest. Crews on scene were able to resuscitate the patient. One chaplain responded to the hospital and later transported a family member back to the hotel once the patient was moved to an intensive care unit.*

***Chaplains were called to assist law enforcement on a scene where a 44 year old died suddenly and unexpectedly. Chaplains assisted the spouse with the children in the home and helped contact a funeral home that would work with the family.*

***A chaplain responded to a request from law enforcement where CPR was in progress on a teenager. The patient was resuscitated and transported. The chaplain assisted the family on scene and went to the hospital with them. He stayed with them until they were able to see the patient and took time to pray with the family. The patient was moved to one of the critical care units but died the next day.*

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WELCOME NEW CHAPLAIN!

Dylan Stone is serving with Emergency Chaplains as an intern while he completes his studies at the College at Southeastern in Wake Forest. He also serves as Minister to Youth at Braggtown Baptist Church in Durham. Previously he served as Intern for Worship and Administration at Bethesda Baptist Church.

This past summer Dylan spent 13 weeks in Somotillo, Nicaragua with *Because We Care Ministries*. While there he worked with a different incoming Mission Team each week and helped to maximize their efforts to reach the Nicaraguan people with the Good News. During his time there the Lord provided several opportunities for him to preach and he saw many come to a saving knowledge of Jesus through the work there.

Dylan will be training in all areas of Public Safety Chaplaincy during his internship and also be taking on some administrative duties for us. He lives in Durham and is engaged to be married to Morgan in September.



Dylan Stone

CHAPLAIN DEPLOYMENTS



Chaplain Phil (left) serving Firefighters in Western NC

Phil Sheridan deployed through NC Baptist Men to Macon County over Thanksgiving and was stationed in Franklin, NC to serve the feeding operation there. Chaplain Phil provided chaplain support for firefighters battling wildfires in Western North Carolina.

While there, Chaplain Phil saw 289 firefighters, EMS paramedics, Forestry Service personnel, Job Corps workers, U.S. Park Police, and disaster response coordinators come down from the smoking mountains to celebrate a hot meal and share fellowship and encouragement from the Baptists on Mission. These men and women came in many cases driving their firefighting equipment from states across America that included Alaska, California, Wyoming, Colorado, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Florida, Washington, Oklahoma, Oregon, Idaho, and Virginia and also from counties across North Carolina.

Phil also deployed with a team from Ebenezer Baptist Church in December to serve the continuing flood recovery efforts in Lumberton.

Chaplain Danny Ricker deployed for seven days with the Tennessee Fire Chaplains Federation in early December to assist with search and recovery efforts in the Gatlinburg area. While there Chaplain Danny was assigned to one of the teams as they searched homes and buildings that had been destroyed by the wildfires. He provided emotional and spiritual support for first responders as well as for the families who lost loved ones.



Danny Ricker

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