



...TURNING THOSE IN CRISIS TOWARD CHRIST...

# Emergency Chaplains



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## INTRODUCING...



Abidan Shah became a part of Emergency Chaplains in June 2014 and has been serving Henderson Police Department and Henderson Fire Department since joining our team. Abidan earned his MDiv from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest and has served as the Lead Pastor of Clearview Baptist Church in Henderson since 1999.



Chris Underhill has served as a ministry intern with EChap since October 2015. He is currently assigned to serve as a chaplain for Cary Fire Department. Chris' internship is through Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest where he is completing his MDiv and preparing for graduation this spring. Underhill also serves in the US Air Force Reserve.



Joel Philbrook began serving with us in July 2014, joining our Crisis Response Team. He is also a part of our chaplaincy team serving Durham County Fire and Durham EMS. Joel is part of Story Church in Durham. His favorite job in life is being a husband and a dad.

## ANNUAL REPORT

Our annual report has been prepared, showing chaplain activity for 2015 plus our goals and budget for 2016. Here are some of the highlights from that report:

- we now have 41 volunteer chaplains serving 23 agencies in 10 NC counties
- our Durham Crisis Response Chaplains answered 292 calls for service in 2015
- there were 488 counseling encounters reported by our chaplains last year
- Leadership is needed to form a Grief Ministry Team
- projected budget for 2016 is \$130,000

Copies of our annual report are available upon request. If you would like a copy contact our office and we will send you a copy of the full report.

Because of the faithful prayers and support of people just like you we are able to provide a ministry of comfort to those who are in crisis. Your gifts also make it possible for our chaplains to provide care for our First Responders and their families.

Thank you for your generous and faithful support of the ministry of Emergency Chaplains. You are a vital part of the work that we do. We just can't thank you enough for being a part of our team.

## MENDING THE SOUL

Beginning this spring, Emergency Chaplains plans to offer *Mending the Soul*, a book and workbook Bible study that guides women through the critical process of healing from all kinds of abuse, including domestic violence, abandonment, neglect, and rape.

*Mending the Soul* will be facilitated by Ilene McCarthy and Carter Thompson. They intend to offer *Mending the Soul* support groups twice a year, including one in the spring and one in the fall. The cost of the book and workbook are about \$45.00.

If you are a survivor of abuse of any kind, are interested in *Mending the Soul*, have accepted Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and desire His healing, please send an email to Ilene McCarthy at [elleadoreparis@gmail.com](mailto:elleadoreparis@gmail.com). In your email, please list your name, phone number, email address, and type or types of abuse you have endured.

Please let Ilene know as well if you have a financial need in paying for the books. Scholarships are available through the ministry of Emergency Chaplains.

## DONATIONS

Mail donations to Emergency Chaplains, PO Box 14762, Durham NC 27709  
(go to [www.echap.org](http://www.echap.org) for PayPal and bank draft options) Thanks to all of you who have given so generously!

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## Five Officers Killed In Two Day Period

*So far, in the month of February 2016, seven Law Enforcement Officers have died due to gunshot wounds at the hands of criminals. Five of these men died in two days, February 10-11. The circumstances range from a subject barricaded to simply approaching a subject to talk. Please pray for the families and departments who have lost loved ones. Pray for, support and encourage those who serve you. The work they do is dangerous. There is no such thing as a routine call.*

*Following are stories of those who gave all on February 10-11:*



Geer (2/10/16)

Deputy Sheriff Derek Geer succumbed to gunshot wounds sustained the previous day while attempting to question a juvenile in the area of 30 Road and E Road, in Grand Junction, at approximately 11:15 am.

He and other deputies were investigating reports of an armed subject in the area and spotted the juvenile, who matched the description of the subject.

As Deputy Geer spoke to the juvenile, the boy asked him if he was being detained. When Deputy Geer told him that he was being detained the boy pulled away from him and a struggle ensued.

Deputy Geer deployed a taser, however, the subject was able to pull out a handgun and open fire.

Deputy Geer was struck multiple times, including in the face. He was able to radio for assistance but had become unresponsive by the time another deputy arrived at his location.

He was transported to St. Mary's Hospital where he remained on life support so his organs could be donated.

The juvenile was arrested a short time later after being found hiding in the backyard of a nearby home.

Deputy Geer was a U.S. Navy veteran and had served with the Mesa County Sheriff's Office for 15 years. He is survived by his wife and two children.



Barney (2/10/16)

Major Greg Barney was shot and killed while assisting members of the Clayton County Police Department at an apartment complex in the 6600 block of Church Street.

Major Barney was assigned to the perimeter while other officers served a warrant at an apartment. When officers knocked on the door the subject ran out of a back door and encountered Major Barney.

The subject shot Major Barney five times as he continued to flee. A Clayton County officer confronted and shot the subject a short distance away.

Major Barney was transported to Southern Regional Medical Center where he succumbed to his wounds.

Major Barney was a U.S. Navy veteran and had served with the Riverdale Police Department for 26 years and had previously served with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office for six months. He is survived by his wife and children.



Dailey (2/11/16)



Logsdon (2/11/16)

Senior Deputy Patrick Dailey and Senior Deputy Mark Logsdon were shot and killed by a wanted subject shortly before noon on February 11th.

The deputies had been dispatched to the restaurant, at 3412 Merchant Boulevard in Abingdon, after a report was received that the subject was there.

Deputy Dailey located the man sitting at a table inside of the restaurant and engaged him in conversation. Without warning, the man produced a handgun and fatally shot Deputy Dailey in the head.

The man fled into the parking lot where he was located by other deputies sitting in a car. The subject opened fire on the deputies, striking Deputy Logsdon.

Despite being wounded, Deputy Logsdon was able to return fire, along with other deputies, and killed the subject.

Deputy Dailey was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran and had served with the Harford County Sheriff's Office for 30 years. He is survived by his two children and mother.

Deputy Logsdon was a U.S. Army veteran and had served with the Harford County Sheriff's Office for 16 years. He is survived by his wife, three children, and parents.



Moszer (2/11/16)

Police Officer Jason Moszer was shot and killed while responding to a domestic violence call in the area of 3rd Street North and 9th Avenue North in which shots had been fired.

The subject, who was armed with multiple long guns, called dispatchers after barricading himself inside of his home and told them he was going to shoot at officers.

The subject then shot Officer Moszer, who had setup on a perimeter location. The subject fired at other officers but did not strike anyone else.

The man's body was located inside the home suffering from a gunshot wound after an 11-hour standoff.

Officer Moszer was a member of the North Dakota National Guard and had served with the Fargo Police Department for six years. He is survived by his wife and two children.

*Information above taken from the "Officer Down Memorial Page" which can be found at [www.odmp.org](http://www.odmp.org). Please visit their site for information on how to send condolences to departments affected by these and other tragic events.*