

"TURNING THOSE IN CRISIS TOWARD CHRIST"

# Emergency Chaplains

NOVEMBER 2018



*Durham EMS Paramedic Corporal Christopher Langdon presented Brantley Pearce Memorial Award*



*Chaplain Bill Oakley receives the Brantley Pearce Memorial Award from Karen Pearce and Chaplain Ralph Thompson.*

## 10TH ANNIVERSARY "CALL TO CARE" BANQUET



*After the discussion panel finished, emcee Steve Noble asked banquet guests to gather around First*

On October 28th, 380 guests gathered at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Research Triangle Park to help celebrate the 10th anniversary of Emergency Chaplains at our "Call to Care" Banquet.

A huge "Thank You" goes out to all of our generous sponsors who helped make the banquet possible! Steve Noble served as our emcee for the evening and also led a discussion panel made up of First Responders. Steve and the panel did a great job of helping our guests better understand the emotional stress that First Responders face and the enormous need for more Chaplains to serve them.

Special music was provided by Kevin Davison, a country music artist and Paramedic from Nova Scotia, Canada.

The Brantley Pearce Memorial Awards were presented to Durham

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- More pictures from the banquet
- Link to Kevin Davison Music
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*Musical guest, Kevin Davison (guitar) and Chaplain Danny Ricker (harmonica) entertain the crowd before dinner. Danny is the director of*

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*Banquet emcee Steve Noble leads prayer over discussion panel and all First Responders in attendance for the 2018 "Call To Care" Banquet.*



## CHAPLAIN FIELD REPORTS

**Over the Thanksgiving holiday, our Chaplains ministered in the following ways:**

—Several Chaplains took part in ride alongs and visited with First Responders at their stations across our service area during the holiday week and weekend. Ride alongs and station visits are the primary ways that our Chaplains build relationships with their First Responders.

—Two Chaplains helped the Beulah Baptist Association provide breakfast for Person County First Responders on Thanksgiving morning. More than 30 Responders were served as they rotated duty between 6am and 9am.

***Crisis Response Teams were busy over the Thanksgiving holiday period:***

- Two Chaplains responded to a request for service where a woman had been found dead by family members. Both Chaplains were on the scene for over 5 hours as Law Enforcement investigated. They ministered to several family members and neighbors while there.
- Chaplains responded to three different death scenes on Thanksgiving Day. It is suspected that heroin was involved in two of those deaths.
- Chaplains were on scene with Law Enforcement for a DWI checkpoint on the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.
- On a suicide scene, one of our Chaplains was able to share the gospel with five family members who were concerned about their loved ones' eternal destiny.
- An EMS Supervisor requested a Chaplain to respond to a working cardiac arrest call to minister to an elderly patient's wife. The wife had found her husband unresponsive and started CPR. He was pronounced dead at the scene after 45

## CHAPLAIN SPOTLIGHT

Chaplain Lavette Williams joined Emergency Chaplains in October 2018. She currently serves with the Durham Crisis Response Team (CRT).

Chaplain Williams volunteers one day per week to serve First Responders and those in crisis in Durham County. This involves being on-call to assist the public and any First Responders in need of a Chaplain.

She is a member of Faith Assembly Christian Center in Durham where she also serves as a Care Team Member. She graduated in 2017 with a Masters Degree in Pastoral Counseling from Liberty University Baptist Theological Seminary in Lynchburg, VA.



Please pray for Chaplain Williams, her family and the work that she is doing with our CRT. Pray for her to be able to continue serving Durham County First Responders and the public faithfully, working to turn those in crisis toward