Emergency Chaplains

Durham, NC



NOVEMBER 2014

2014 HOMETOWN HEROES BANQUET



Carter Thompson visiting with guests at banquet



2014 Hometown Heroes (L-R) Jim Fox (Durham Co Sheriff), Christopher Walker (Durham PD) Andy Hiscock (Cary FD), Shannon Carson (Durham 911) Laurel Nuyen (Durham PD) Brandon Pittman (Durham EMS), Mark Schell (Durham Co Fire), Mike Jobe (Durham Co Sheriff)

Emergency Chaplains celebrated our 6th Anniversary on Friday evening, October 24th, 2014 by hosting our annual Hometown Heroes Banquet. Over 450 people gathered for an inspiring evening at the Sheraton Imperial Conference Center in Research Triangle Park. After a delicious dinner, Hometown Hero awards were presented to eight first responders with three of them receiving the Brantley Pearce Memorial Award.

Right in the middle of the awards ceremony there was an unexpected interruption. A homeless woman had wandered in from the street and was looking for something to eat. Introducing herself as "Bertie the Bag Lady" she was given permission to search for leftover chicken marsala—but—she instead opted to take a microphone and start making fun of all the bald-headed men in attendance. Miss Bertie finished up by talking about the hope that can only be found in Jesus and she finished with a song reminding us to be the comfort of Christ to those who are hurting.

The banquet was a great success again this year and helped us to raise awareness of the importance of the ministry of Emergency Chaplains. Each Hometown Hero award reminded us of the stress, danger and sacrifice involved in serving as a first responder. The Brantley Pearce Memorial awards reminded us of the need to provide ministry to those who experience traumatic events.

Many in attendance made commitments to serve as volunteers in different capacities and to support the work of the ministry by financially supporting us on a monthly basis. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Listed on the back are those who made the banquet possible again this year. Many thanks to each and every one who had a part. We are looking forward to a great year of ministry in 2015 because of wonderful people who believe in the ministry of Emergency Chaplains and pour out their love, support and prayers. Thank you for being a part of the best chaplains' ministry on earth!





Chaplains and directors in attendance at the Hometown Heroes Banquet

Chaplain Ralph visiting with guests at banquet

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Brantley Pearce Memorial Award winners with Brantley's mother, Karen L-R: Mike Jobe (Durham Co Sheriff), Brandon Pittman (Durham Co EMS) Karen Pearce, Jim Fox (Durham Co Sheriff)

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