

"TURNING THOSE IN CRISIS TOWARD CHRIST"

Emergency Chaplains

JUNE 2021



RIDE WITH RESPONDERS Rescheduled for September 11, 2021



CHAPLAIN USES JAWS OF LIFE IN DOG RESCUE

When Johnny Hewett joined Emergency Chaplains in 2009, he never dreamed that he would be operating the "jaws of life" to extricate a dog from a culvert pipe. However, that is exactly where his chaplaincy has taken him.

Johnny served with us for about 10 years in Durham, but the Lord called him away from the familiarity of his lifetime home to pastor Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Green Mountain, NC.



Chaplaincy is in Johnny's blood, and once he settled in serving his congregation Johnny offered his services to the Yancey County Sheriff's Office. Not long after that, the Double Island Fire Department came calling and Johnny joined as a volunteer to serve as their chaplain.

Since joining the fire department, Johnny has been certified as an Emergency Medical Responder and responds regularly on calls.

On June 7, Johnny responded to a call

for an animal in distress. Upon arrival he discovered that Gracie the dog was stuck in a 15-inch culvert pipe. Apparently, she had been chasing some type of critter and traversed the full 25-foot length of the pipe. The pipe exited between some pretty big rocks...and she was stuck right there at the end.

Upon assessing the situation, Johnny returned to the station for the "jaws of life" and he was able to use the spreader tool to move the rock enough to rescue Gracie. Gracie's owner posted on Facebook, "they were able to make a big enough opening through the rocks to pull her out. It was very scary because there was the possibility of the rock above her (which was moving) falling on her and crushing her. Praise God she's safe!!!"

Chaplaincy—building relationships for the sake of the gospel—one rescue at a time!

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



Jared Long



Luke Redmond



Chris Underhill

At the end of Matthew 9, Jesus told His disciples, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." At Emergency Chaplains, the command to pray this prayer is at the top of our list.

A funny thing happens when you pray. God gets a grip on your heart. He will mold you into a vessel that He can use. Then, He will use you to carry out the work that you have been praying about. Obedient and faithful prayer always manifests itself into action in the life of the believer.

Since 2015, Emergency Chaplains has partnered with the Supervised Ministry Program through Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest to provide internships for future chaplains. Our job is to train them, help them gain

field experience, and send them into the harvest field where they will do the work...and train others...who will train others...

Jared Long is originally from Georgia. While he was a student at SEBTS, Jared served as a chaplain with the Cary Fire Department from 2019-2021. Jared recently completed his master's degree and is now training with the International Mission Board for an overseas assignment.

Luke Redmond served with Emergency Chaplains from 2016-2019 and was assigned to the Durham Police Department. Luke is an Ohio native but had served active duty with the US Army and deployed to Afghanistan. Upon graduation from SEBTS, Luke was commissioned by the Army and assigned to Fort Polk, Louisiana.

Chris Underhill was our first intern from SEBTS and served the Cary Fire Department from 2015-2018. Chris was the guy that had prior military experience, stayed in the reserves, and was in his mid-30s when he answered God's call to serve as a military chaplain. He completed a 2-year stateside assignment and recently moved his family to South Korea where he serves as chaplain for the US Army 4-2 Attack Battalion.

There are a couple of other folks involved with our SEBTS partnership that continue to serve with us.

Chaplain Dylan Stone completed the internship and works with us full-time now. Chaplain Eric Burmahl has supervised the program for us since inception and recently joined our Board of Directors.

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Make plans to join us on Sunday evening, August 8th at in the Family Life Center at Grey Stone Church in Durham.

—Dinner starts at 6pm and will be catered by our friends from Gillis BBQ in Rougemont.

—Guest Speaker: Chief David Hess, Roxboro Police Department

—Use the enclosed card to order your tickets, or go to EChap.org/Banquet

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