## "TURNING THOSE IN CRISIS TOWARD CHRIST" Emergency Chaplains



NOVEMBER 2023



## **2023 Call to Care Banquet Report**

I want to say thank you to everyone who helped with our annual 'Call to Care' banquet on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The saying goes, "many hands make light work," and I am grateful for so many who gave of themselves to make the evening a remarkable success.

Thank you to Pastor Clay Waters and the staff at Grey Stone Church for hosting us again this year. Your hospitality and kindness are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers. You guys knocked it out of the park! You got 280 guests settled in and fed in record time. Thank you for making everyone feel at home.

Thank you to the ministries that participated in our mission fair. I'm grateful for your willingness to help our guests discover new ways to be involved in taking the gospel to the streets by serving others.

Thank you to our keynote speaker, Jonathan Lotz. You are a dear brother in Christ. Thank you for sharing your heart and lifting high the cross of Jesus.

And I especially want to say thank you to Karen Dean. You have poured your heart and soul into supporting the work of Emergency Chaplains through the Brantley Pearce Memorial Fund. Over the past 11 years, you have raised over \$225,000 to help us train and place chaplains to serve first responders and people in crisis.

Our banquet program served as evidence for the great need among public safety agencies for well-trained chaplains to care for first responders and those they serve. Will you help us meet this need? Your regular monthly support is our life blood. Please consider using the enclosed card to start a monthly gift that will help us continue turning those in crisis towards Christ.

Chaplain Ralph

Pictured above: Our chaplains that were able to attend and serve during the banquet on November 2nd.



Chaplain Scott Wilkos received the 2023 Brantley Pearce Memorial Award. Picture above, L-R: Ralph Thompson, Scott Wilkos, Karen Dean, and Ann Wilkos.



Chaplain Bo Moyer receiving the 2023 "10-4 Award" given in memory of Chaplain Merritt Buchanan.

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