# **Emergency Chaplains**

November 2020



# **Chaplain Spotlight**

David and Kathleen Glover joined Emergency Chaplains in 2019. They began working to form a Crisis Response Team in Johnston County. Just as they were starting to gain some recognition around the county, COVID comes along and

brings their outreach work to a halt.

Although they continue to make contact with churches and First Responders around the county, they could use your help. If you know pastors, church leaders, fire fighters, law enforcement officers, medics, etc... in Johnston County, let them know about our work there and help us get connected. Any help is appreciated.

David and Kathleen decided to follow Jesus just 13 short years ago but they made it their life mission to serve Him from the start. They have volunteered in the past with the Raleigh Rescue Mission, Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief, and the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association/Rapid Response Team. They are active members of Bethesda Baptist Church in Clayton.

Both David and Kathleen have completed all of their training requirements to be recognized as Certified Public Safety Chaplains and will receive their credentials at our next ceremony.



David and Kathleen Glover

# 2020 Emergency Chaplains Virtual 5K-10K

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#### Finish the Race

By the time you read this, the early sign up time for our 5K-10K will be over....but you still have time to sign up and run, as long as you do that by November 30th. The only bad news is we cannot guarantee you a race tee shirt if you sign up after November 13. If you are competing, be sure to download the RaceJoy app to record your time. Also be sure to take photos to post on your social media platforms. After you run, email your photos to us at Run@EChap.org

Some of the first race results were coming in as of this writing. A big EChap shoutout to Terry and Joni Tanner, Teressa Bays and Shirley Colpitts for completing the 10K Walk. Thank you for supporting our ministry!

This year has been particularly difficult for fundraising. We had to cancel our first planned motorcycle ride and both our banquet and 5K-10K were changed to virtual events. Our hope was to raise \$45,000 from those three events to fund a new administrative position that would support our training and certification work. Unfortunately, we are going to fall about 50% short of our goal.

We are praying that you will consider helping us make up this deficit by the end of the year with your generous gift. Please also prayerfully consider pledging your increased support for 2021. We are still moving forward with our training, certification, and adding new counties. We are trusting the Lord to provide the personnel that we need to properly oversee His work.

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Contact Chaplain Ralph for info: (919) 280-8908

# **Chaplain Field Reports**

**ONE CHAPLAIN RESPONDED** to a scene where a person had committed suicide. Their spouse was alone, and had no immediate family in the area. The Chaplain was able to minister to the spouse and help communicate with family out of town for over 4 hours.

**AFTER OUR CHAPLAINS** have finished caring for a family on a crisis call, our Grief Team works diligently to follow up to provide any additional assistance, connect them to needed resources, and remind them they are not alone.

**TWO CHAPLAINS RESPONDED** to a call where a woman had died while staying in a local hotel. The woman's son was on scene, and all his family was out of state. The Chaplains were able to provide comfort and guidance for the son until the police finished their investigation.

IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, our Chaplains have responded to multiple calls involving children. Each of these calls have a tremendous impact on our First Responders and the families affected by these tragedies. Our First Responders see these types of scenes often, and the stress can weigh heavy on them. Pray fervently that our First Responders have resilience in their work as they handle difficult situations each day.

OUR CHAPLAINS CONTINUE TO MAKE REGULAR STATION VISITS to encourage our First Responders while they are on duty. Recently, Chaplain Jared Long was able to join a shift for dinner at Cary Fire Department. These visits remind our First Responders that they have Chaplains that care for them and are available when needed.