



*Dundee Fire Department Workout
Wearing Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness*



*Oregon Fire Service Office
Administrators Invocation*

Hope for the Hurting

Over the past few months I've had the pleasure of talking with several individuals in the first responder community about challenges they are facing. Many have shared traumatic events with me and sought out spiritual support. Due to the confidential nature of our talks, I am unable to share specifics, but wanted you to know that this ministry is making a kingdom impact in the lives of others. I feel truly honored to earn the trust of the men and women I serve and to be able to bring a Godly perspective and the love of Jesus to these individuals.

I'm currently balancing my time between raising the necessary funding to operate this ministry full-time, and the ministry work with the eight agencies I serve. Why so many agencies you may wonder? The answer is simple, the NEED is so great!

I am blessed to be able to answer the call that was placed before me. My prayer is to be fully funded by next September; roughly 1 year after leaving my career in aviation and jumping into this ministry full-time. With the support and partnership of people like yourself, Hope Chaplain Ministries is making a kingdom impact in the state of Oregon. Being the least churchd state in the United States, I take this calling very seriously. Over and over the Lord has shown me how the Kingdom of God is growing despite the darkness of this world. Amen to that!

Hotel Room Suicide & Blessing

In the middle of October I was called out to a tragic suicide at a hotel in the area. The hotel staff found the deceased after the individual failed to check out. As you can imagine this is very traumatic for the employees who found the deceased. I spent some time with the staff, who at the time, didn't want to talk much. Sensing they needed some time to process this, I gave them my business card and made sure they knew they could call me at *anytime* if they needed anything.

A day later I received a call from the hotel manager, who was one of three employees at the scene. She said the room was being sanitized and she wondered if I could come by the next day and pray a blessing over the room. I called up my home church, Grace Chapel, and requested a team member of their Ministry Response Team to attend with me.

Using anointing oil I placed a cross on the top of the door frame as my team mate and five hotel employees entered the room. We had a brief discussion about what happened and then I began to pray over the room, the hotel, and the employees. It seemed some of the five employees did not have faith, but I continue to pray that a seed was planted in their hearts that day. I feel honored that through your partnership, I am able to minister in to the community at large. Together we can be the hands and feet of Jesus to a largely secular population.

PRAYER REQUEST

I'm frequently asked how one can pray for me and my ministry. Please pray for God's divine guidance for this ministry. For me specifically, that I would stay healthy this cold and flu season as I enter the homes of others. That I would continue to accomplish all the necessary administrative tasks for my ministry while still having time to minister to those in need. I believe in the power of prayer and I thank you for your partnership in this.

Do you need prayer? Please email Leo@HopeChaplain.com



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