



2024 Basic Training

OCTOBER 2024 UPDATE

PUBLIC SAFETY CHAPLAINCY

Chaplain Spotlight: Steve Chadwick!



I grew up in Grand Rapids Michigan with a growing passion for helping others grow in all of their life especially in their life with Jesus. I am married to Karen and have five sons from 20 down to 11. This past year I was given the privilege to baptize my two youngest (*left photo*) and to take my oldest (*middle photo*) off to college in Phoenix Arizona. It is truly amazing how quick the pace at which life moves.

I have been a patrol chaplain for the last 15 years with the Portland Police riding usually three days a week with officers on patrol. I love caring for cops and their family and count it a great privilege to come alongside them for all these years. This past spring I teamed up with the Navigators First Responder ministry to present the first Christian Police officer training for the Portland Police. This training offered through the wellness program, helps officers learn how to live their Christian faith in their job and at home. We are holding then next training on October 24th praying that this is part of a discipleship movement. **Chaplain Steve Chadwick // chaplain.chadwick@gmail.com**

If you feel led to support Steve, please donate to PSC (*giving instructions below*) and designate to Steve Chadwick.

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First Responder Chaplain Core Values by Wayne Patterson

In our last newsletter, we explored our shared core value of Compassion. In this edition, we will turn our attention to the shared value of **Prayer**. While listening to Chaplains describe their efforts to provide comfort, a listening ear or helpful resources to those experiencing the worst day of their lives, Chaplains will often comment that their first strategy guiding their efforts is a disciplined impulse to pray before, during and after each call out they respond to.

From our most experienced Chaplains to our Chaplains in training, all realize that every critical incident, tragic accident, or conversation with a First Responder is unique, and presents the opportunity to speak and act in a helpful or unhelpful way.

Responding in the most helpful way could be a word, an action or silence and a calming presence. Regardless, all of these are motivated by a love that is from our God of Love. Chaplains at work are constantly listening and discerning from our Lord what is the next best thing to say or do or not do in this situation? Their ministry of presence is to, in any way possible, help the hurting start to learn how to deal with and even carry the pain they are experiencing. A Chaplain's presence might simply demonstrate to the grieving that they are not alone, but clearly all of it is a sacred work beyond the powers of mere humans and our Chaplains realize this. They realize they are unable to put broken lives back together again, but that our God of love can and does. This why they pray.

This is why we pray for them and all of our First Responders. This is why Jesus prayed...."while it was still night, way before dawn, Jesus got up and went out to a secluded spot and prayed." (Mark 1:35). Jesus chose to spend time alone in prayer because He needed the constant connection with His Heavenly Father, and so do we.

PRAYER:

Please pray that the Lord will raise up a First Responder Chaplain(s) in Mollala Or. Pray also for our long standing Mollala Chaplains, Nick and Liz Williams, as they transition from their roles at the end of 2024. Pray that the Lord opens doors for what is next for them.

OPPORTUNITY:

Public Safety Chaplaincy is growing wider in serving more Agencies and deeper in Chaplain ministry of presence. We have been given the opportunity to supply even more PSC Chaplains to our First Responder Agencies.

NEED:

We are grateful for the financial support PSC has received to build such a strong foundation to support our Chaplains and First Responder Agencies. The need is great for more quality Chaplains. As the Lord leads you, please PRAY and consider giving generously to PSC to help fill this great need.

Gratefully,
Wayne Patterson, PSC Executive Director

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