

Serving Emergency Responders & Their Families



Serving Those Who Serve Us

MINISTRY UPDATE

You never know what the day will hold. Many of us go throughout the day, or life in general, without the thought or consideration that we might not come home at the end of the day. Our responders don't have that way of thinking. In fact, one of the mottos of responders have is we will do whatever is needed to make sure everyone goes home at the end of shift. The spouses and family members of responders often have anxiety of what may happen to their loved one who is serving the community. This again came to mind on Nov 6 when a driver struck and [killed a Golden Officer](#) and [severely injured another](#). The [funeral](#) was held at [Mission Hills Church](#). Kevin Shive, our Executive Director and Chaplain for Golden PD helped lead the service for Officer Dunn. Please be in prayer for his wife and for Officer Grusing as she recovers.

We never know what the day will hold or what our future may look like. While we may not be involved in an accident, a shooting, or run into a fire, each day brings with it circumstances that can changes us forever. Please remember to pray for our responders, their families, and the chaplains that come along side them. Remember not to take life for granted and make the most of every day

with those you care about.

This past month I had the opportunity to meet with potential new chaplains and I am gearing up to head down to Arizona to train 18 people who have signed up to participate in our basic chaplain training. Please pray for those who are considering this call on their life to serve those who serve us.

I also had the privilege to share about the mission of Emergency Responder Chaplaincy with [Fellowship of Christ Church](#) in Monument, CO. They are one of our supporting churches and hope to become more involved in supporting our responders and chaplains.

You may have received our [Team Akins 2024 year end letter; if not it is attached here](#). Each year we highlight some of the amazing things God has done and also encourage each of you to prayerfully consider joining us through prayer and financial support. We have lost a few donors over the past twelve months and would love for others to join us or increase their support if possible. Others of you have given a year end gift in the past and we would love for you to donate again. Thank you for your consideration and all that you already do to support me and the chaplain movement. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please let me know.

Each month I am invited into the life of responders who are struggling through one aspect of life or another, something on the job, or the impact of past experiences. Thank you for your support so that I can meet them where they are and be the hands and feet of Jesus.

I pray you enjoy Thanksgiving this week! Give each other a hug, have fun together, remind each other all that we have to be thankful for, and [give thanks to God for all He has done for us](#).

ROCKY MOUNTAIN POLICE & FIRE CHAPLAINS

The [Level Up Conference](#) was an amazing event that provided support and encouragement to hundreds of responders. We received a great shout out from [Revital Colorado](#).



Due to the Golden Police Department tragedy and inclement weather,
the RMPFC Fundraiser is on Dec 7.

Please be in prayer for these upcoming trainings/events:

[RMPFC 2024 Fundraiser](#) - Dec 7

[RMPFC Basic Chaplain Training](#) - Mesa, AZ, Dec 10-11

[Trauma Informed Chaplaincy](#) - Jan 18, 2025

[Chaplain Safety and De-escalation](#) - Feb 1, 2025

[RMPFC Basic Chaplain Training](#) - February 21-22, 2025

[CPR / First Aid / AED / Stop the Bleed Training](#) - April 12, 2025

[Critical Incident Debrief Training](#) - April 12, 2025

[RMPFC Annual Meeting](#) - April 30, 2025

[Suicide Prevention](#) - June 7, 2025

[Advanced Moral Injury](#) - June 7, 2025

[Ride to Prevent Suicide 2025](#) - September 27, 2025

[RMPFC Basic Chaplain Training](#) - October 3-4, 2025



If you want to get caught up on on that has been going on with RMPFC, [here is a link to our RMPFC News Updates](#). There are a lot of great things happening!

If you would like to join our prayer and financial team, please click on the link below and select Give to Chaplain Travis Akins from the dropdown.

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