



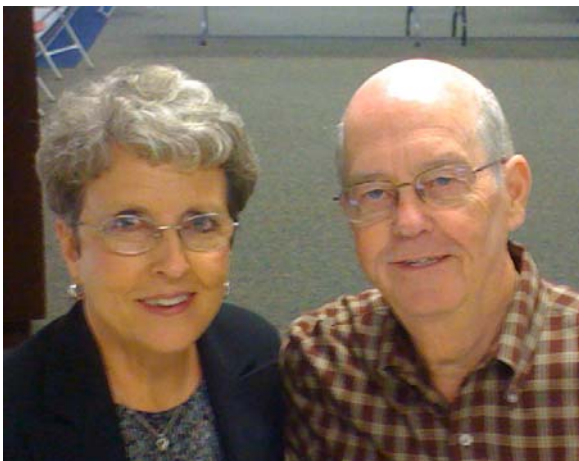
# Teams on Mission

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## Compassion Fatigue a Huge Hazard for Chaplains

Chaplains are people who are constantly caring for others, listening and supporting people in roles that are often stressful and difficult on both the body and the emotions. The North American Mission Board has recently placed new emphasis on Chaplain ministries. Scotty Davis attended a Regional Conference by the Chaplaincy Evangelism Team from NAMB at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary April 21– 24. Many



Joe Williams and his wife Linda served last summer on Project Noah in New Orleans. Joe is a FBI chaplain and a great teacher.

of the attendees were military chaplains who have multiple tours in Iraq and Afghanistan and have had to deal with enormous work loads and many soldiers who have struggled spiritually with being involved in combat. So who takes care of the chaplain when he is tired? When the chaplain reaches the limit of endurance for a human being, where does he or she turn? This is what the Compassion Fatigue Conference was all about. Ways to replenish the dependency on God and His sustaining power were welcome and refreshing for many of these weary chaplains. The conference was taught by Chaplain Joe Williams and Chaplain Richard E. Sale. Richard and Joe were the first chaplains outside of the New York area who were deployed by the FBI to the 9/11/2001 tragedy. Working for several weeks at ground zero, these men have impacted first responders for

many significant and tragic events over the last twenty years. The work of a chaplain is cutting edge ministry in today's world. The need to get outside of the four walls of the church with a viable witness of Jesus Christ is what motivates and enables chaplains to do their work. Scotty has recently submitted all paper work for certification to the Police Officer Standards and Training Council of the state of Georgia. In addition, Scotty has applied for endorsement to the North American Mission Board for Chaplaincy Endorsement. Peace Officer Ministries will be holding a Christian Law Enforcement Theology and Practice Seminar at Concordia Seminary in St Louis, Missouri May 19–23. Steve Lee will be hosting the program as well as Homeland Security Personnel. The teaching at the North Carolina seminar was dynamic and the relationships that were established by Scotty with many new friends will enable ministry to public servants for the years ahead. Looking ahead to May, more preparations will be made for the work of the police chaplain.



Richard Sale—Pastor, FBI Chaplain and Instructor at the Compassion Fatigue Conferences at SEBTS

# Open Prayer Room at Good Samaritan Clinic



This is sort of a funny looking picture, isn't it? This is the chair *you* could be sitting in if you have a couple of hours a week or even a couple of hours a month to be used of the Lord. Someone told me a few weeks ago that they could not go on a mission trip as they could not be away from home for more than a day. If you are willing to pray, there is a need to be a part of the Prayer Room Ministry at the Good Samaritan Clinic. Over the last few weeks I



have had the opportunity to pray for many people who were needing encouragement and just wanted to pray with someone. The clinic has many open places for people to be on mission for Jesus Christ. The sign says the prayer room is open and it is part of the time that the clinic is open but more volunteers are needed. I can guarantee you will get a great blessing from your going on mission right in your own county. The Good Samaritan Clinic is located



at 1605 Roberta Drive in Marietta just off of Austell Road behind the Quik Trip near Olive Springs Baptist Church. Click on the Volunteer logo for information.

## SC Church Conference Set for August 2-9 in Leon, Mexico

The strategy of the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has grown. A few years ago Scotty Davis would have said no way to going onto an international mission field without an in-country presence there to minister and continue the work after the short-term trip. National pastors and churches were great friends but the average church would be in trouble quickly without the missionary. Well, things are changing and all of the above is true still, but the fact is national pastors and churches do make good in-country partners. The IMB is now ready to train churches to be on mission directly with the national partners. It does take special training and is not for churches just starting out. A church with experience and a willing heart can become a Strategy Coordinator Church. Mission Team Inc will be leading the way to help churches take the lead.



# Atlanta Defenders Give Public Safety a Whole New Look

The National Public Safety Football League has a new team — Atlanta Defenders. This competitive, full contact football team is made up of Police, Fire and EMS personnel from the Atlanta area who have come together to compete and raise money for charity. Cobb County, Cherokee County, City of Smyrna, City of Atlanta, and others are represented on the team. They played their first game against Orlando on April 19 at Lassiter High School. They will play in Charlotte, North Carolina on May 3rd and in Cleveland, Ohio on May 17th. Scotty Davis has been asked to help with chaplain duties and has been able to minister and pray with the team on several occasions. Watch out in the future as the team grows and develops to become a force to be reckoned with in the Public Safety League. Check their website at [www.atlantadefenders.com](http://www.atlantadefenders.com).



## Donated Bicycles for Explorers and Chaplains



Wal-Mart has in a big way helped out the Explorers Unit of the Cobb Police Department with a huge donation of bicycles to the Cobb County Chaplains Program. One of the Board of Directors of Mission Team Inc, Tim Welch, made arrangements for the bikes to be stored in an unused warehouse until repairs could be made and the bikes put to good use. Scotty and a couple of officers moved the bikes at the beginning of April and hopefully work will start on these to get them all in top condition soon. Some of the children's bikes will be donated to underprivileged kids who need them, and one or two will be available for Senior Chaplains to go with CCPD officers on the Silver Comet Trail. Thank you, Wal-Mart, for your generosity.

## Homecoming at Sharon Baptist Church

Scotty Davis' first pastorate was Sharon Baptist Church on South Cobb Drive in Smyrna, Georgia. They will be having homecoming on May 4th. Sharon has asked Scotty to preach the special celebration service which will feature music by the Mike Young Family. Services begin at 10:30 AM.





## Mission Team Inc Scholarship Program Is Touching Lives

The scholarship program is moving into its fourth month and its full impact is just now starting to touch lives. Six students from BHBC were among the first recipients and their trip was a great success. Matt Petty, the student pastor,

said that he worked these students harder and got more results than any trip in a long time. The young people came back and told us at Mission Team Inc that one of the most important things they learned was not to make any promises to the people because "I do not want to make a promise then not keep it." They all said that if they had not taken the MTI scholarship fund class, they would have made that mistake. There are now three new candidates from Idaho who will be going with the Northwest Baptist Convention to Germany this summer. These students from Athol Baptist in Idaho will be working on the scholarship in May. Our goal is fifty scholarships this year and with your gifts and support we will make it.

### Thoughts of the First Recipient

I learned a lot from them about the different aspects of short-term mission trips (a lot of which I never would have thought of on my own). The program has a perfect balance of the different things that need to be taken care of and thought about before, during, and after these trips. I am so grateful that you are using your experience on the mission field to assist me and many others as we go on our future mission trips. This is such a great program and again I thank you so much. I can't wait to see what God has in store for my trip!

Emily Dodgen

### Thanks One More Time

How many times can I tell you who are making this ministry happen "thank you"? At least one more time. God has opened so many doors of opportunity and I could not be doing what I am without your support. Opportunities to preach, teach, counsel, learn, pray, guide, mentor and just be a friend are made possible by your gifts and prayers. I am continuing to work on the D.Min. project for Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and will be very heavily involved for the months of May, June, and July. Please pray for me as I deal with the very delicate subject of the spiritual lives of police officers when they have been involved in the use of deadly force. The project is confidential for all participants, so you will hear very little about individuals or their stories. Pray for the project that it will be useful to our Lord to minister to police officers and encourage and strengthen those who have been involved in a critical incident.



Thanks again for your love and support,

*Scotty*