
June 2026 Fire Rescue Support Monthly Newsletter

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The Chaplain Corps Celebrates Its 250th Birthday

On June 15, 1775, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia, voting to create a citizen militia and name George Washington as Commander in Chief of the Continental Army. At the request of General Washington, the Continental Congress established the Chaplain Corps on July 29, 1775. One of General Washington's first decisions was to appoint chaplains into the ranks, believing that these pastors in uniform were indispensable "points of light" to a soldier's religious, moral, and spiritual health.

From board rooms to baseball fields, firehouses to the front lines, chaplains still support the religious, moral, and spiritual health of those we serve. By taking our faith to the streets, we have the privilege of sharing messages of comfort and hope during times of struggle and stress.

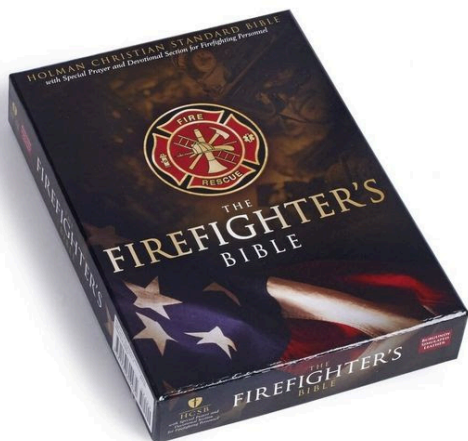
The Fire Chaplaincy in Florida is seeing tremendous growth. You can be a part of this by going to <https://firerescuesupport.com/the-next-10>.

Website Resources

Have you ever been to the Resources page on our website? Click on the image to the right to find help with stress management, spiritual growth, marriage, and parenting.



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Faith in the Fire

Chaplain Joe LaCognata shares about some of the unique challenges faced while trying to live out faith in the fire service.



Each month, in an effort to continue to promote the conversation about critical incident stress management, we'll discuss a topic relative to crisis intervention. This will be helpful as a refresher to those who have already been trained, as well as something to create interest among those who have not.

The SAFER Model

The foundational model for CISM interventions is SAFER. Here's a quick review of the components of this model.

S - stabilize (establish rapport and connection; mitigate stressors, discuss confidentiality; meet basic needs)

A - acknowledge the story (listen to what people are going through; determine what to do, if anything)

F - facilitate understanding (of their reaction - normalization; of the event itself - cognitive reframing)

E - encourage effective coping (start with what they know; teach as needed; discuss the work and time needed to recover)

R - recovery or referral (determine if person is able to adaptively function or if additional resources are necessary)

Upcoming CISM Training

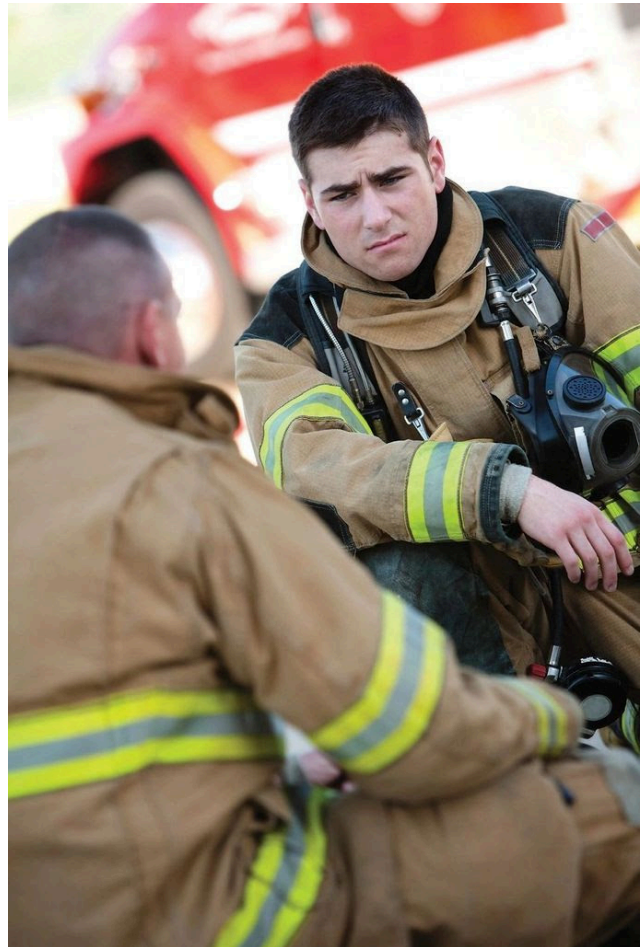
June 16-18, 2026
Fort Pierce

June 23-25, 2026
Wesley Chapel, FL

August 25-27, 2026
Gulf Shores, AL

Sep 21-Oct 1, 2026
Windermere, FL

October 13-15, 2026
St. Petersburg, FL



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Stress Management Information

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In Remembrance

5/1 - Fire Chief Russell "Rusty" Shoultz - Walker, MI

5/4 - Firefighter Thomas Kelly - New Haven, CT

5/4 - Fire Engineer Neil Schnaible - South Lake Tahoe, CA

5/15 - Firefighter Andrew Cross - Morrill, ME

5/14 - Engineer Steven M. Decker - Chicago, IL

5/23 - Firefighter Robert "BK" T. Kilduff Jr. - Boston, MA

26 firefighters have died in the line of duty in 2026

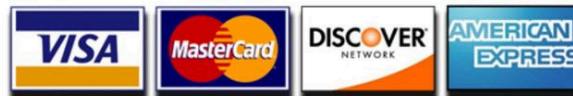


Our Vision

Imagine an organization committed to one task – supporting fire rescue personnel. From their work in the field to their lives at home, picture an organization working to equip these first responders to be more successful on the job and in life. Envision an organization that extends the support of those serving in fire rescue by offering care and comfort to the people they serve. Finally, picture an organization that would impact emergency services workers all across the country. That organization is Fire Rescue Support – supporting fire rescue personnel before, during and after the call.

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