

# The Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains



*“Serving those who Serve”*

## Summer 2018 Training Workshops

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The following classes will be held at the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy in Bell Buckle, Tennessee:

### Ministry of Presence Workshop

**06-07 August 2018 0800-1700 (level 400)**  
 This equipping workshop is designed to cultivate and strengthen skills for reaching out in love and care and effectively help others. This experiential class explores essential crisis communication tools, including initiating a relationship, effective listening, use of questions, mirroring techniques, non-verbal communications, Spirit-nudges and empowering those helped to pursue next steps. Skill by skill, learning-by-doing, relational training offers immediate application for emergency service chaplains, both on call and in everyday life. This is a “Good Samaritan” ministry; becoming more aware of the hurts and needs of others, and partnering with God to offer help, hope and healing through faith-based resources.

### Chaplain Leadership Development

**08-09 August 2018 0800-1700 (level 300)**  
 Chaplains need to serve on the cutting edge! Modern leadership requires knowledge of pitfalls and landmines to avoid. This course teaching skills necessary to provide excellent service while giving respect and opportunities to everyone equally. This multiple skills course will cover Equal Employment Opportunity, Race Relations, Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Diversity and Sensitivity Training, Professional Ethics and Accountability.

### Red Cross Interface Workshop

**10-11 August 2018 0800-1700 (level 400)**  
 This multiple course workshop will prepare the spiritual care provider to work within American Red Cross Disaster and Shelter Operations. Courses include ARC Disaster Spiritual Care, Integrated Care Condolence Teams and Disaster Action Team. This course has an additional application and interview process and will have additional prerequisite on-line courses to complete prior to the class. Applicants must contact [PNTrumpore@aol.com](mailto:PNTrumpore@aol.com) prior to 20 July 2018 to apply for this workshop.

## Conference Registration

### Individual Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2019 TFFC Membership Dues (\$100) \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry of Presence		_____
including lunches only	(\$166)	_____
including lodging and meals	(\$276)	_____
out-of-state lodging and meals	(\$366)	_____
Chaplain Leadership Development		_____
including lunches only	(\$166)	_____
including lodging and meals	(\$276)	_____
out-of-state lodging and meals	(\$366)	_____
Red Cross Interface Workshop		_____
including lunches only	(Free)	_____
including lodging and meals	(\$110)	_____
out-of-state lodging and meals	(\$200)	_____

Discount if attending all six days (-\$100) \_\_\_\_\_

Late Registration Fee (after 23 July) (\$50) \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

For information about membership, class registration, lodging or travel; please e-mail [PNTrumpore@aol.com](mailto:PNTrumpore@aol.com) or call (865) 805-2890.

# The Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains

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The Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains supports the ministries of volunteer and paid fire department, ambulance service, and rescue squad chaplains, and assists emergency service agencies in developing their chaplaincy programs.

The TFFC cooperates with the Federation of Fire Chaplains on a national level, providing automatic membership and networking with the addition of a state-wide certification and accountability system for chaplains.

The Federation offers programs that provide its members with educational opportunities in training conferences and materials.

The network of mutual support offered by the TFFC helps disseminate and share information with other chaplains.

Assistance is given to fire/EMS/rescue organizations to start or improve their chaplaincy programs.

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- TFFC has members all across the State.
  - TFFC is non-denominational, non-sectarian, with no compromise on individual convictions.

## Benefits to Members

- Written materials designed to help chaplains implement and sustain effective programs.
- Four newsletters each year to keep chaplains current in their field.
- Educational opportunities offered to chaplains in annual conferences and regional meetings.
- A Fire Chaplain Directory provided to all members to provide a network of mutual support and information sharing.
- Provides standing in a professional organization. Certificates for completed training are provided.
- A training library of written, audio, and audiovisual materials is available to members.
- Chaplain identification provided through ID cards, membership certificates, arm patches, and vehicle decals.
- Provides outlines and programs for annual Memorial Services.

## Benefits to Department

- Provides information on establishing a chaplaincy program.
- Gives chaplain training through conferences, lesson materials, and articles.
- Gives support and encouragement to the chaplain.
- Keeps the chaplain abreast of the latest programs and developments in the field.

## Membership

Membership is open to those involved with

the fire/EMS/rescue chaplaincy whether full-time career or volunteer.

## Membership Qualifications

- Appointed to the chaplaincy by a fire/EMS/rescue service agency
  - Endorsement by their religious body for the ministry as a chaplain
  - Currently serving as an emergency service chaplain
  - \$100.00 annual dues
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## Chaplain Certification

The Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains certifies qualified chaplains for service with a “Standard of Care” recognized state-wide.

## Qualifications for Certification

- Qualifications for membership above
- Ordination - or an approved plan of guidance providing clergy supervision for those chaplains without ordination
- Completion of 16 hour basic chaplain’s course provided by either the Tennessee or National Federation of Fire Chaplains
- Completion of Individual Crisis Intervention course provided by International Critical Incident Stress Foundation
- Familiarization with the appropriate emergency service through cross training
- Continuing Education of 16 hours/year

## What Emergency Service Chaplains Do

Fire/EMS/Rescue chaplains may perform some or all of the following duties:

- Counsel emergency service workers \*
  - Counsel family members of emergency service workers \*
  - Visit sick and injured emergency service workers at home and in the hospital
  - Make death notifications
  - Provide assistance to victims of crisis
  - Teach emergency service workers in areas such as stress management, ethics, family life, and victim response.
  - Serve as part of a Critical Incident Management Team
  - Assist at the emergency scene
  - Serve as liaison with other clergy in the community
  - Provide for the spiritual needs of department members and their families
  - Offer prayers at special occasions such as recruit graduations and award ceremonies
  - Provide a listening ear
  - Coordinate and provide family services in the event of the serious injury or death of an emergency service worker
  - Serve as a ready resource for the chief or agency director
- \* (only within the scope of their training)

**For Further Information**

## Contact:

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## A Firefighter's Prayer

*When I am called to duty, Lord  
Wherever flames may rage,  
Give me strength to save some life  
Whatever be its age.  
Help me embrace a little child  
Before it is too late,  
Or save an older person from the  
Horror of that fate.  
Enable me to be alert  
And hear the weakest shout,  
And quickly and efficiently  
To put the fire out.  
I want to fill my calling  
And to give the best in me.  
To guard my every neighbor  
And protect his property.  
And if I am to lose my life  
According to my call,  
Please bless with your protecting hand  
my family one and all.*

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*He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted...  
To give unto them beauty for ashes...  
To proclaim the acceptable year of our Lord.*

Isaiah 61

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Dues  
\$100.00

## Membership Application

### Individual Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Pager Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Seminary: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Ordination: \_\_\_\_\_

### Pastorate Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Denomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Service Agency Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chief: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Date Appointed Chaplain: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Department: Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Chaplaincy: Full Time (Salaried) \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_ Part Time (Paid) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please include with your application:

- \_\_\_ Letter of appointment by your agency
- \_\_\_ Letter of endorsement by ecclesiastical body
- \_\_\_ Dues of \$100.00 payable to  
"Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains"
- \_\_\_ A copy of your ordination certificate  
(if not ordained - please include a letter from  
an ordained clergyperson who will serve as  
your clergy supervisor. Please explain the  
system of supervision in your letter.)
- \_\_\_ A copy of your resume (if available) or a  
listing of specialized training attended