

# Oil Patch Chapel Ministries

*Individual Care in a Big World*



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## ***Our Mission:***

- to develop relationships with . . .
- to be a support system for . . .
- to meet physical and spiritual needs of . . .

Individuals working  
in the oil industry.

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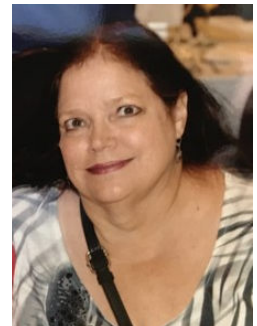
## As You Are Going

**Matthew 28:19** *Go therefore . . .*

**Look Around You . . .**

***Opportunities are everywhere!***

On a recent cruise, we sat at a table with three other couples. One evening only one couple came to dinner. We all shared life's experiences. As we listened, Priscilla shared hurts and disappointments in her life which brought many struggles. She said, "I believe God put you here just for me!"



It was nice to know that wherever we are, God places people in our path to share His love. Today, look around you, listen to someone's story. Learn about their needs and love them like Jesus would!

*Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you, Abide in My Love." (John 15:9 NAS)*

**Listen to the Stories . . .**

As we sat in a small diner in West Texas, the waitress came over to take our order. She said, "My name is Grace what can I get ya?" We exchanged pleasantries and then she took our order. Moments later, she came back and asked about my shirt logo, *Oil Patch Chaplain*. As I told her about our ministry, she began to tell the story of her broken life. She needed someone to "Listen!" In reality, so many have a heart ache and just need someone to care enough to "Listen!"



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## Learn About and Pray for Needs . . .

- Sherry and Truitt Eason: Sherry's mom has left her physical home and gone to live with Jesus. Pray for the Easons in this loss and for the comfort and peace of God.
- The new oil finds in far west Texas. Pray for volunteers and churches to find ways to minister to those in the Patch.
- Pray for Hollas and Nelda as they travel in west Texas building relationships with churches and those working in the Patch.

Pray for Oil Patch volunteers to find work themselves since the down turn has caused loss of jobs for many of them.

## Celebrate All God is Doing . . .

***Oil Patch Ministries CELEBRATED the third anniversary!***

Many of our volunteers shared stories of how God has used them to minister to individuals in the Oil Patch. Fred Ater, who prayed for God to raise up someone to go and minister in the Patch, was there and challenged us to continue faithful!

Stan and Brigett Hays (Corpus Christi volunteers) brought fresh shrimp and fish from the coast and did a masterful job of broiling, frying and boiling the seafood. Debbie, Lynn, Peanut, LaNell and Nelda were busy with all the sides. When it was all done, it was an "absolute feast!" Some of the "girls" left with dishpan hands.



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## Chaplains Chat . . .



We thank God daily for each of you

- ⇒ who work in the Patch with us,
- ⇒ who provide financial and prayer support,
- ⇒ who invites us to share the Oil Patch Story with you and your church family,
- ⇒ who distributes God's Word for the Oil Patch Bible.

Your involvement in the Oil Patch Ministry is an investment only God can reward!