

# Oil Patch Chaplains News

*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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## Meet Our Chaplains



**Hollas and Nelda Hoffman** felt God's call and responded on August 29, 2013. They spend their time recruiting and training others to serve in the Oil Patch. Speaking to Directors of Missions and churches is a major thrust; making sure churches know Oil Patch Chaplains exist to minister to needs of individuals in oil related work and to refer them back to churches for follow up. In addition, they call on companies throughout the Eagle Ford Shale, building relationships and ministering to those they contact.



**Kenny and Tawalia Humphries** are on-site chaplains serving in the Eagle Ford Shale in Gonzales. They minister to truckers seven days a week, handing out Oil Patch Bibles and praying with them. They prepare breakfast tacos and fully loaded baked potatoes at various times during the week. Ministering to them physically has afforded them the opportunity to share God's love in many ways.



**Gary and Kim Haynes** are the newest additions to our chaplain team. Gary is employed full time and Kim is a part-time nurse and substitute teacher in Gonzales. And yet, they find time to be effective in the Oil Patch. They are putting the Oil Patch Bibles in the local hotels and laundromats. Kim coordinates sandwich, chip and cookie delivery to the various oil patch sites.



**Judy Hadley** has been with us from the beginning. She is our treasurer and provides other assistance as needed.

Check out our new website at  
[www.OilPatchMinistry.org](http://www.OilPatchMinistry.org)

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## Plans for 2014

- Seek out people of passion for individuals in oil related work.
- Provide chaplain training for present team and those enlisted this year.
- Meet regularly with Oil Patch Chaplain Team to strengthen, encourage, listen to, share with and evaluate this ministry.
- Partner with Directors of Missions, pastors, and churches in discovering ways to connect churches to the Oil Patch.
- Recruit 10 more couples as Oil Patch Chaplains.



## Please Pray for . . .

- A bi-lingual summer intern.
- A church to fund this summer intern.
- A church to provide lodging and meals for summer intern.



## Thank you, Lord, for . . .

**Volunteers** like Truitt and Sherry Eason who have been instrumental in setting up our website, newsletter, new display materials, photos and new brochure.

**Ladies**, from the various churches, who provide sandwiches, cookies and desserts to workers at multiple oil companies.

**Christian Women's Job Corps** for sponsoring a ladies luncheon for oil patch wives and special occasion meals (Thanksgiving).

**Churches, Associations, and individuals** who bless this ministry with their prayers and financials gifts.



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