Law Enforcement Chaplain Training
October 25 – 27, 2023

Location:
4 Eagle Ranch
4098 Hwy-131, Wolcott, CO 81655

Hosted by:
4 Eagle Foundation and the
Eagle County Sheriff’s Office

Topics:

Chaplaincy in a Sheriff’s Office/PD
Basics of Grief Counseling (Kubler-Ross Model)
Death Notifications
Chaplain and the Law - Colorado Law edition
The Law Enforcement Chaplain
The Jail Chaplain
Dealing with Mental Health
Spiritual Care
This class is offered free of charge to anyone attending, thanks to the very generous gift of the 4 Eagle Foundation!

Classes will be held each day from 08:30 am – 5:00 pm

Lunch will be provided daily, along with morning and afternoon refreshments.

*For those who are able, donations to the 4 Eagle Foundation will be gratefully accepted.

To reserve a slot please email Sheriff James Van Beek
James.vanbeek@eaglecounty.us

Please use subject: Chaplain Training

Accommodations:
Quality Inn and Suites Vail Valley
0285 Market Street
Eagle, Colorado 81631
(970) 328-7878
Group Code: ECS023

Rates are $119.00 a Night (either a King or 2 Queen) they will honor tax-exempt, light breakfast daily from 6-9 am. Included. The facility has a pool and jacuzzi.

The booking deadline is 10/15/2023 to guarantee the rate
Instructor bios:

Reverend / Sheriff Mike Bonham is a native of Missouri, became a member of the law enforcement family in a little town called Lead Hill, Arkansas in 1989, and later was elected constable of Crockett township. Bonham returned to Missouri received his degree from Global University and training from Homeland Security and holds several licenses and is a qualified hazardous material specialist with an emphasis in surface transportation.

Bonham's first pastorate was Grace Family Worship Center in Belle, Missouri. Today Reverend Bonham sits on the board of assemblies for Bible Way Association and is the Senior Chaplain for Bible Way Chaplaincy. He has designed and taught courses for Chaplains across the United States.

In 2016 the citizens of Osage County elected Reverend Bonham the first ordained minister ever to hold the office of Sheriff in Osage County where he is currently serving.

He also serves on the Missouri Sheriff's Association board of directors, legislative board, Missouri Sheriff's Zone 9 board, the board of the Mid-Missouri Drug task force, the Board of Directors of the Osage County Anti-drug Community Action Team, and on the Governors methamphetamine drug task force.

He is married to the lovely Glenda Ann and they have four children, Amanda, Adam, Keegan, and Lauren. A dynamic preacher and gregarious leader, The Lord continues to use Reverend/ Sheriff Bonham to reach all people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Jose Villegas is a jokester who speaks a mix of English and Spanish — or Spanglish.

A devout Catholic, Villegas moved to Santa Fe to attend the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary with the intent of becoming a priest but he eventually realized the priesthood wasn’t his calling. “I wanted to be married and have children. I wanted to own a Ford truck,”

He left the quiet life of a seminary life to go into the Marine Corps.”

While serving as a Marine in Japan, Villegas saw news about the deadly riot at the New Mexico State Penitentiary. It was then that he decided to pursue a career in corrections where he worked from 1982-88 and then as a “protective officer” for Los Alamos National Laboratory.

In 1991, he joined the Santa Fe Police Department as a dispatcher became its “unofficial” police chaplain.

While working as a police dispatcher, Villegas obtained a bachelor’s degree in organizational psychology from the College of Santa Fe. He later earned a master’s in education with an emphasis on counseling.

Villegas left the police department in 1998 and went back to work at the state penitentiary as a psychologist and counselor for prisoners. He later worked at the Santa Fe County jail as a special project administrator.

After working 32 years in government, Villegas retired in October 2015. His last job was as an emergency management specialist with the Santa Fe Fire Department, he said.

Chappy Jose is what so many call him, currently serves as New Mexico FBI Chaplain (only Native American chaplain), New Mexico Office of Emergency Management chaplain, New Mexico, and member of the Texas Band of Yaqui Indians who are descendants of the Yaqui (Yoeme) Indian Nation, and the New Mexico National Guard funeral detail.

Villegas is married to Kathy Rose Salazar, whom he had met while he was in the seminary.