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Press Release

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POLICE CHAPLAIN JACK HOWARD OF THE TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH RETIRES

The Lower Township Police Department announced on Sunday June 27th 2010 that a long serving police chaplain was retiring. A celebration of his ministry was held at the Tabernacle United Methodist Church on Seashore Road in Lower Township at 10:15am on June 27th, 2010.

Pastor Howard was the coordinator for the police chaplains' program, which consists of various religious leaders through out Lower Township. The programs main purpose is to provide spiritual support to members of the police department and the public at large.

Through the years the chaplains have been called on for death notifications and on one occasion when an officer had an on duty medical emergency that left him on a ventilator, Pastor Howard was standing vigil at the hospital to support family members and fellow police officers.

The program was begun under Chief John Maher and continued under Chief Edward Donohue. The program is under the supervision of Captain Brian Marker who has been active in the program since its inception.

Pastor Howard was presented with a plaque in appreciation for his years of service and ministry to the Lower Township Police Department and community. Having his wife Linda Howard by his side as his accompanist and supporter enhanced Pastor Howard's ministry. The members of the Lower Township Police Department wish Pastor Howard and his wife Linda a happy and long retirement.