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# CHURCH SECURITY TEAM TRAINING

## IS YOUR CHURCH PREPARED?

HOSTED BY: SHIELD FORCE INTERNATIONAL  
BROOKLINE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
2044 S STATE HIGHWAY MM, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI 65802

**JANUARY 6TH 8AM-5PM**  
**COST: \$75 PER ATTENDEE**

- \*Active Shooter or Intruder Response
- \*Armed vs. Unarmed Teams
- \*Nursery and Children Security
- \*Protecting the Pastor
- \*Roles of Ushers & Greeters
- \*Medical Response
- \*Biblical Authority for Church Security

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## CHURCH SECURITY MINISTRY TRAINING

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## "Church Safety Seminar"

**A Prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences. Proverbs 22:3**

We First and foremost recognizes that **God** is our greatest **Shield** and **Protector**. We give all of the glory and credit to Him for our success.

*"Not to us, Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness*

*Psalm 115:1*

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### DENIAL WILL KILL YOU TWICE:

1. Physically 2. Psychologically (consider how it would feel failing to train or prepare when you have the ability, and then an incident like Sutherland Springs happens at your church). Can you live with that guilt? "Prepare and Prevent, Don't Repair and Repent"

### WHY DO WE NEED CHURCH SECURITY?

- Bellevue Baptist Church: "A heavily armed man entered our building today about 11:00 a.m. He was **stopped by our security** people before he could enter the sanctuary, and was subsequently arrested by Memphis police. We are thankful for the diligence of our security people and the Memphis Police Department.
- A properly implemented Security Ministry will not distract from the core mission of the church, but will enhance the mission and provide protection to the congregation.

### WHO ARE THE TRUE FIRST RESPONDERS?

- You are! Those already on scene. Police are the Professional responders with an average response time of 4-9 Minutes. Which means you have to have an immediate action plan!

### IS IT BIBLICAL TO PREPARE?

- "Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves" Matthew 10:16
- This tells us we need to train, and understand violence but use it to protect people not cause harm unjustly.



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### ARE WE SHOWING A LACK OF FAITH BY PREPARING AND HAVING A "SECURITY MINISTRY"?

Once again, we recognize we serve a loving and faithful God who is our greatest Shield and Protector. However, he gives us the ability to guard and protect ourselves, in fact even instructs us to do so.

- Do you wear your seat belt? Do you have smoke detectors? Do you look both ways before crossing a street? Or go to the doctor and take prescriptions?
- Luke 22:36 "He said to them, "But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don't have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one."

### CHURCH VIOLENCE STATISTICS:

- Since 1999, there have been more than 1,500 violent church attacks in America, and church violence has gone up 2,380 percent
- Last year alone, there were 246 violent church attacks
- We have now reached an all-time for the number of violent deaths on church and faith-based property in a single year. We are at 108 in 2017 (so far). The old 'record' was 77 in 2015.

### POTENTIAL TYPES OF VIOLENCE WE NEED TO PREPARE FOR:

- Homicide
- Attempted homicide
- Suicide
- Arson with people in the building
- Kidnapping/abductions (attempted)
- Robberies
- Domestic violence spill over

### HOW CAN WE REDUCE OUR HEART RATE DURING A STRESSFUL SITUATION?

- Tactical breathing (4 second hold)
- Training!
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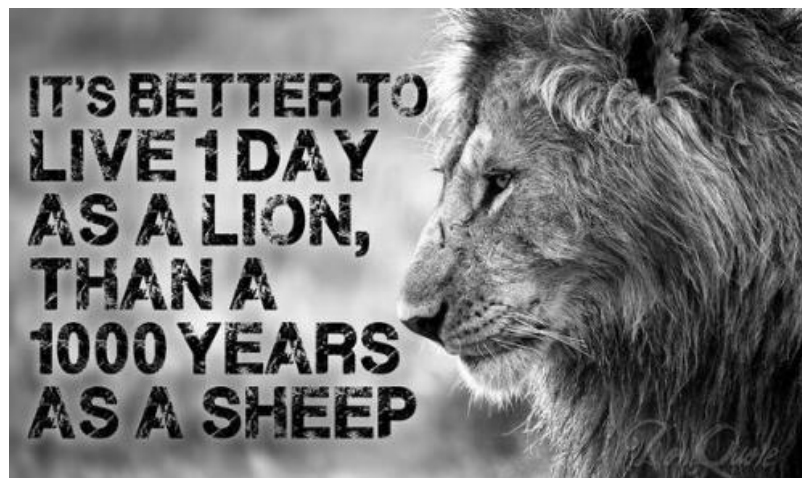
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## HOW TO SURVIVE AN ACTIVE SHOOTER: [ROAR](#)

- **R- Live in Reality.** Understand your limitations (Don't try to be superman if you're not), and the realistic threats you may face. Live in the present moment and avoid daydreaming about a past memory or future thought. Especially if you are responsible to watch over others.
- **O- Observe your surroundings.** There's a difference in seeing vs actually observing and knowing what's going on around you and looking for warning signs before it happens.
- **A- Assess the situation and based on your training decide what the best option is (Run, Hide, Fight back)**
- **R-Respond.** Based on your assessment of the situation and the decision you have made. The natural tendency is to freeze but we have to break that and RESPOND!



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#### POLICE RESPONSE:

- When Police arrive stay on ground until told to move to prevent confusion or escalation of Police Response.
- When getting up avoid sudden movements and raise EMPTY hands in air free of all objects.
- Don't be offended if you are treated like a suspect. Don't resist, obey all commands.

#### WHO NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED IN CHURCH SECURITY MINISTRY TRAINING?

- Pastors
- Facility Managers
- Nursery & Sunday School Personnel
- Office Personnel
- Usher Team
- Parking Team

#### PRE-CURSOR BEHAVIOR

##### Unusual Emotions:

- Anger or Rage
- Crying
- Laughing /inappropriate times
- Nervousness or evasiveness
- Absence of emotion /cold
- Out of control

##### • Unusual Appearance

- Inappropriate clothing
- Antireligious symbols
- Military clothing
- Concealing garments
- No hygiene, dirty
- Backpacks or bulky clothing

##### • Unusual Behavior

- Remaining near vehicles for an extended period of time
- Running up to the doors
- Counter surveillance
- Talking to themselves
- Asking about pastors or patrons
- Striking up needless or odd conversations
- Intoxicated
- Standing or facing the congregation at inappropriate times
- Staying in the bathroom for extended period of time



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