

To some of the bravest, most courageous, and incredible people that protect and serve our city on a daily basis:

Every morning, afternoon, or evening you leave the comfort of your family and loved ones and put on a badge, strap on a gun, put on a shield and a vest of protection, and come out to the streets where you face uncertain danger, unpredictable situations, yet you do it without hesitation. The Bible teaches us in a passage of scripture that would like to quote for you.

Joshua 1:9

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

The Bible teaches us to be strong, and not to be dismayed or discouraged because God is your protector. My prayer and encouragement to each and every person that puts on a badge and wears the uniform of the Kansas City Missouri Police Department is that you would start each day knowing that there is a God who loves you, protects you, watches over you, and keeps you from falling. This is my prayer for the first responders of the Kansas City Missouri Police Department.

The great poet, Maya Angelou, said, "Next to creating a life, the finest thing a man can do is save one"

I agree with Maya Angelo. Kansas City, Missouri have some of the greatest men and women who save lives every single day in one way or the other. I am thankful and I am privileged and blessed to live in the borders of Kansas City, Missouri, knowing that each night that I go to sleep, each time I get into my car, each time I go into a store, the police department is protecting me and my loved ones; when I see my grandchildren off to school and when my wife drives I know that they are well protected by the men and women who put on police uniforms. I want to take time to thank you for all that you do for us; we owe each and every one of you a debt of gratitude.

Chaplain Pastor Tony Johnson