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**Abstract :** Crisis and trauma ministry are us. When tragedy strikes at the core of a base, we are there. When hopelessness rips at the hearts of individuals, we are there. When deployment severs the peace of home and family, we are there. Quite simply, we render emotional and spiritual support and comfort victims. Quite arduously, we position ourselves side by side in the immediate life situation of those afflicted with mind boggling and heart wrenching circumstances. And frequently, we find ourselves caught up in empathetic whiplash and sympathetic traction. Our intention is that you find this sampler of crisis and trauma

ministry techniques, meditations and recommendations as helpful as we have in our work at Chicago's Rush University and Cook County Hospital's Trauma and Burn Units. Use this resource as you would the blue book of prayers - often, for your people and yourself. Generate ideas from it, employ it as a devotional, lean on it as necessary, carry it on deployments, edit and update it; and most of all, share your counsel and revisions.

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