

Chaplain Dan Cleghorn **Chewelah Police and Stevens County Coroners Departments**



Chaplain Dan Cleghorn was born in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1962. In 1974, the family moved to Burbank, Washington, where Dan came to know Christ as Saviour on April 13, 1980 at the First Baptist Church.

Dan was called to the ministry and attended Faith Baptist Bible College in Ankeny, Iowa. In 1983 he married Karen while continuing college, graduating in 1985. He served as assistant pastor his senior year at First Baptist Church in Waverly, Iowa. In 1986, Dan and Karen moved to Silverdale, Washington, where Dan served as associate pastor. In 1990, they moved to Bremerton, Washington, where Dan served as assistant and then senior pastor at Calvary Baptist Church. The Lord then directed them across the state in 2001 to Chewelah, Washington, where Dan currently serves as the pastor of [Chewelah Baptist Church](#).

In 2004 Dan approached the Chewelah Police Department about starting a chaplaincy program. He and the Chief of Police set up an active chaplaincy program that included the chaplain in many areas of the department as well as assisting other county and state agencies.

In 2004 Dan was accepted into the International Conference of Police Chaplains and endorsed by the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship International.

In 2005 Dan graduated from the Police & Fire Chaplain's Training Academy at the Washington State Criminal Justice and Training Center in Burien, Washington.

In 2007 Dan was asked to serve as Chaplain to the Chewelah Fire Department and has also been assisting Stevens County Fire District 4. Dan also became a member of the International Conference of Police Chaplains Disaster Response Team.

In 2014 Dan attained Master Training Level with the International Conference of Police Chaplains.

In 2015 Dan was asked to start a county-wide chaplain team for the Stevens County Coroner's Department with Dan being the lead chaplain, trainer, and deputy coroner.