

Police Call on Pastors to Keep the Peace

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Pastors are often known as peaceseekers. In Indianapolis, a growing group of them are being enlisted at homicide scenes for that very reason reports the *Indianapolis Star*.

Police from that city have recruited more than a dozen ministers so far to help calm individuals involved in volatile crime scenes.

According to Deputy Chief Patricia Holman, pastors will serve as liaisons between police and the community at the scenes of homicides, police-action shootings or any other potential crisis situation the newspaper said.

“They have a connection to the neighborhood,” said Holman, who also serves as an assistant pastor at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in Indianapolis. “They are the very people that people are looking to for answers.” Police hope to eventually have a pastor on call in every district.