

‘He Loved Christ, Preached Christ, Trusted Christ’: Texas Pastor Tragically Killed While Helping Motorists on Highway

Family, friends and the Christian community are mourning the loss of a Texas pastor and father to four children who was killed Saturday night in a traffic accident.

While driving down U.S. Highway 75 in Sherman, Texas, John Powell pulled over to assist individuals who had been involved in a crash, *KXII News* reports.

The 38-year-old pastor was struck by a passing semitruck and died at the scene of the accident.

Powell was regarded as a true servant of God who tragically lost his life while helping others. He was a church planter and pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in New Caney, Texas.

Tributes to the beloved pastor, who was known for his kindness were shared on social media.

Dr. Russell Moore from the Southern Baptist Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission wrote on Twitter that he was saddened by the loss of this great Christian leader.

“I am shocked and shaken and grieving this morning, beyond what I can say,” Moore wrote. “My former student John Powell was killed last night, hit by an eighteen-wheeler while helping stranded motorists off of a highway.”

Grieved and heartbroken beyond words. Please pray.

– *Russell Moore (@drmoore) July 19, 2020*

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