

### UNITED STATES OUTREACH

## 2022 Banquet

The 2022 Fundraising
Banquet was a great
success! We had over 150
people representing twelve
local churches and multiple
Fire & Police Departments.
It was an honor to have
John Bongiovanni (pictured
right) in person to share his
testimony about how God
used the ministry of ROAM



to lead him to a relationship with Jesus Christ. The evening was filled with excitement as we shared the future and vision of Responders On A Mission as well as about some amazing doors God is opening up! Thank you to everyone who supported the evening by attending, donating financially, donating a basket for the raffle, or all of the above! We could not have done it without you.

Next years banquet date will be announced soon. For more information, please visit ROAMintl.org/banquet

#### **SUPPORT GROUPS & COUNSELING**

We have just wrapped up the Support Group meetings for the summer, and will kick-off with our biweekly Support Group meetings beginning on September 13<sup>th</sup>. We had several Firefighters, EMTs and Police Officers in attendance and talked through the stressors of the job all while providing Biblical answers for many questions and struggles. If you are a First Responder and are looking for a safe space to process struggles on the job, or even just have questions such as "Where is God?", we would love to have you join us September 13<sup>th</sup>.

We have also worked with multiple First Responders one on one for Biblical Counseling and recently were called upon by a local Fire Department to provide a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing.

For more information, please visit ROAMintl.org/support

### FIRST QUARTERLY CONNECTION EVENT

Beginning in August 2022, we are launching Quarterly Connection Events. This will be a very relaxed environment for anyone in Emergency Services to come together and fellowship, share about the job, and have conversation and connection. The first event will be August 27 at Ellicott Creek Park, Pavilion 4. There will be hot dogs, beverages, great conversation, and a time to share about the ministry. Times will be announced shortly on our website and social media.

For more information, please visit ROAMintl.org/USA



I had the honor of leading a team to the Dominican Republic in March to meet with the Lt. Governor of San Pedro and spend some time with the Ministers. The trip brought me to tears because we could see Gods faithfulness so clearly during the meeting with the Lt. Governor because during our meeting, he said that we are the only organization in the Dominican Republic that shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ while working with First Responders. He also shared that the Dominican Government will do whatever they can to help out the ministry of ROAM, and they are putting together a day of worship, where everyone in the country will come together to praise God and invited the ROAM team to be a part of the planning process! We have two trips scheduled this fall to the Dominican Republic, and we would love to have you join us!

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 27 – First Quarterly Connection Event
 September 13 – Support Group Begins (meets bi-weekly)
 September 17-24 – Fire/EMS Mission trip to the Dominican Republic
 October 3-7 – Police Officers Mission trip to the Dominican Republic
 November 5-12 – Fire/EMS Mission trip to Honduras

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Being a part of all that God is doing is very humbling. Have you every prayed for something so clearly and then see it come to fruition right in front of you? That's exactly what has been happening with the ministry of ROAM – this has been prayed over for so long, and God is growing the ministry in His perfect timing! Since November I have been part-time as a missionary with ROAM. We are at 70% of our goal to allow me to be full-time with the ministry.

When I was in the Dominican Republic in March of this year, the team was *invited* to the Office of the Governor in San Pedro. Our ministry leaders in country helped set up the meeting, which included our Dominican Ministry Leaders, our team from the U.S. and the Lt. Governor of San Pedro (San Pedro has a population of approximately 450,000 people). We had the opportunity to share about our history of ministering in the Dominican Republic and how God has been faithful in so many ways. The Lt. Governor then shared his faith and his thankfulness to God for leading our team to minister in the DR. This is when he announced to us a "special day where government offices, schools, and other activities would be closed and be dedicated to one purpose – to give God glory and praise". *We got to see firsthand the fruit of our labor!* 

Locally, we were able to minister to some of the First Responders who were on location at the mass shooting that took place at Tops Market in Buffalo through counseling and the support group. Our team was also called to lead in a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing at a local Fire Department in NY. God is drawing First Responders to Him, and it's through your faithful prayers and generosity that we are able to continue the work. From the bottom of my heart – *thank you*.

Blessings, Brandon & Alicia ROAMintl.org/vizzi



# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Pray for all First Responders around the world to come to know Jesus Christ.
- Pray for Brandon's upcoming travel.
- Pray for us to have wisdom, discernment and vision from God.
- Pray for new donors to come alongside us as the prices of everything continues to rise. ROAMintl.org/donate
- Pray for First Responders & Churches to remain active in missions.