



On 7 April 2006, Chaplain (MAJOR) James F. Linzey was awarded the Humanitarian Service Medal for Operation Gulf Coast Relief by the US Army. The award was presented to Major Linzey by his mother, Verna M. Linzey, D.D., who is a military advisor for Operation Freedom and author of *The Baptism with the Holy Spirit*.

As one of the longest serving chaplains during Operation Gulf Coast Relief in the City of New Orleans, Chaplain Linzey ministered to civilians at 4 Food Distribution Centers; ministered to local residents in their homes and doorsteps; conducted 68 Field Worship Services for Army and Air Force personnel; conducted 9 Critical Incident Stress Debriefs; provided ministry of presence at about 150 sites; ministered at the Police Department, FEMA Headquarters of New Orleans, New Orleans Convention Center; Command and Staff Meetings for Multi-Agency/Military Relief Agencies; provided pastoral support for over 450 military personnel and numerous New Orleans police officers and Fire Department personnel. Major Linzey was on CBS, NBC, ABC, and CNN while on the mission in New Orleans.