Creating an environment

In your community.

With other clergy members.
Reality...
The Bridge from I…to We

I walk a lonely road,
The only one I have ever known;
Don’t know where it goes,
But it’s only me and I walk alone.

My shadow’s the only one that walks beside me;
My shallow heart’s the only one thing that’s beating.
Sometimes I wish someone up there will find me;
‘til then I walk alone.

“Boulevard of Broken Dreams” Green Day
The New Choluteca Bridge
New Choluteca Bridge

The Choluteca bridge located in Honduras itself is perfect except that it now straddles dry land. Hurricane Mitch changed the course of the Choluteca River, and there is water where the access roads used to be ... Now, there is no solution it is very difficult to change the current. The river is in a totally different place.

The graceful arches of this Bridge stand abandoned, a white concrete sculpture far from shore, linking nothing to nowhere.

~ USA Today
Clergy members have speaking rights that other authority members don’t have.

Why the chaplain
We have truths that transcend

Why the chaplain
We are (should be) people of mercy and grace (in action)

Why the chaplain
We represent a non-denominational approach to pastoral care, grief, and bereavement work.
Working together...

With other clergy members.
• Ask your supervisor if you can attend clergy meetings
• Write a letter to area clergy with your supervisor letting them know of your chaplaincy position.
• Help clergy know the facts about Hospice 101 (start with your faith community)
• Speak to area church groups about Hospice 101 and your mission as a chaplain

**Becoming one with local clergy**
How do you do it?

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What kind of bridge are you?