



Six Years Ago Feels Like Yesterday

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Many people are reflecting on where they were six years ago.

Inside the DeKalb Medical Center's emergency room sits Dr. Pascal Crosely. He began his career six years ago at a hospital in the Bronx. The morning of 9/11, he had just reported to the ER and could only sit and wait for the wounded.

"You can remember the scenes people walking over Brooklyn, the bridges walking home," he said. "Subways weren't running or anything."

He remembered the day well.

"Well dressed lady, obviously worked downtown in the financial district, was covered in soot," Crosely said. "Her hair, her eyes, blood shot red from all that exposure kind of her face kind of sticks with me."

Then the towers collapsed and the harsh reality set in.

"A lot of word back that there just wasn't anyone to recover and that if people had gotten out they had gotten out early," he said.

Those who didn't get out included dear friends, fellow first responders, police and firefighters.

"Some nurses I remember, were very upset because they had you know certainly relationships and were married to many of the first responders," Crosely said.

Still the magnitude of what happened did not hit him until many, many hours later, .when he made his way back home to the Upper West Side.

"Really, the only people who could get into the city at that time were emergency personnel and medical personnel, so I was on the Major D (Major Deegan Expressway) all by myself in a car, which is like being on 85 or 75 by yourself -- very eerie," he said.

And while that was six years ago, Crosley said many days it feels like it was just yesterday.

There are a number of events around Metro Atlanta to pay tribute to those who died on 9/11.

Volunteers at the National Museum of Patriotism in Midtown Atlanta will read the names of all the victims, and have artifacts from the World Trade Center site.

There's the annual Freedom Run at Fort Benning, and Georgia Tech has a memorial on display made up of nearly 3000 American flags.

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