

A human tragedy unfolds

Around 5 p.m.
NEW YORK - Rescuers are forced to evacuate the Trade Center area as the remaining floors of the south tower collapse. Other buildings in the area are in danger.

8 a.m.
NEW YORK - Hopes of finding anyone alive in the rubble are slim. At the Pentagon, officials say the search has shifted from looking for survivors to looking for bodies.

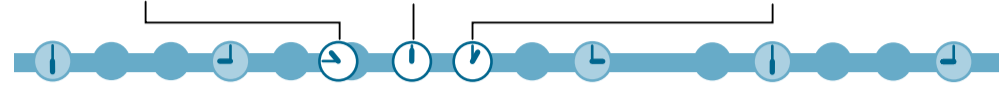
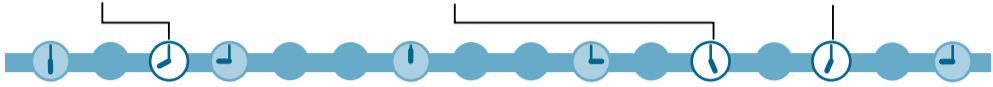
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NEW YORK - Airports are shut down after several travellers are detained and questioned about the attacks. They later say the individuals had nothing to do with Tuesday's attacks.

Around 7 p.m.
SHANKSVILLE, PA. - The flight data recorder is found. The cockpit voice recorder is still missing. Hours later, there's news that the cockpit voice recorder is found at the Pentagon site.

10:45 a.m.
WASHINGTON - Congress approves \$40-billion (U.S.) in emergency aid to help the victims and to hunt down the perpetrators. Mr. Bush is also given the power to use whatever force he sees fit.

Noon
Memorial services mark an international day of mourning. Mr. Bush speaks at a service in Washington. More than 100,000 Canadians gather on Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

1 p.m.
WASHINGTON - The FBI releases the names of 19 men believed to have hijacked the four planes. U.S. airlines are given the names of 52 people the FBI wants detained.



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...r on the rubble of 7 World Trade Center building next to the twin towers. As dawn breaks, the rubble is still smouldering, cranes, and trucks converge on the site to clear the debris. Thousands of firefighters and volunteers with medical experience are working on the cleanup.



■ As the Star-Spangled Banner plays, a mourner weeps outside the gates of Buckingham Palace in London. The Queen ordered that the anthem be played during the changing of the guard to honour the victims of Tuesday's attacks. Many nations, including Britain, offer support to the United States.



■ Tanya Tarriere, left, Jen Hunter, middle, and Jane Clacham hug after leaving flowers outside the U.S. embassy in Ottawa. More than 100,000 Canadians turned out for a memorial service on Parliament Hill. Canadians observed three minutes of silence to honour the victims and their families.



■ British Prime Minister Tony Blair and his wife Cherie speak with people at a memorial service at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. The service was part of an international day of mourning.



...Patrick's Cathedral in New York. Bush gears up to lead the nation through the disaster begins to take shape. New York Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani says more than 6,000 may be buried.



■ Outside Bellevue Hospital in New York, a "wall of prayers" is covered with pictures of those believed to be missing in the World Trade Center rubble. Hope of finding survivors grows slimmer by the hour as rescuers continue to plow through the debris. The process of identifying the dead is long and painful. Forensic crews from all over North America arrive to help.



■ Tears well up in the eyes of President George W. Bush as he speaks from the Oval Office about the families of the victims. "I'm a loving guy and I'm also someone who has a job to do and I intend to do it," he said. He calls the attacks an "act of war" and vows to strike against the organizers and anyone who harbours them.



... Osama bin Laden, right, and Mohamed Atta. U.S. investigators conclude that bin Laden, an exiled Saudi national now living in Afghanistan, is a suspect in the attacks. In May, bin Laden and his followers were convicted of hijacking two U.S. embassies in Africa in 1998, killing 224 people. Mr. Atta is one of 19 suspected hijackers. He was believed to be on one of the planes that crashed into the World Trade Center. Florida authorities say a rental car used to transport bin Laden to Boston's Logan Airport was registered to Mr. Atta.



■ Omil Carrasquillo and Kwabena King, both of the New York National Guard, take a break from their rescue work. The sign taped to the restaurant window behind them reads "President Bush, declare war on [Afghanistan] tonight."



■ Winnie Lam, left, and her daughters Britney Chu, middle, and Michelle Chu hold candles at an interfaith memorial service in Pasadena, Calif. It was one of numerous memorials across the United States. In Washington, President George W. Bush spoke at a service before heading to New York to see the World Trade Center disaster site. Rescue workers greeted him with chants of "USA! USA!" in New York and the President vowed that the attackers "will hear all of us soon."

