

## Chaplaincy Log – February 2010

Throughout the month, Chaplains Dewey, Driggers, Carter, Dashnaw, Farmer, Jones, McGowan, O'Connell, Prioleau, Raney, Schwarz, Smith, Youngblood, and Chaplains in training Gray and Greely assisted at the arrival of repatriation flights from Haiti. Total they greeted 576 people who arrived to be repatriated at the Charleston Airport.

1- Chaplain Youngblood did a ride-along with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office (CCSO). Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder, and had a counseling session with a civilian.

2- Chaplain O'Connell was notified by the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort bystanders at the scene. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, and along with Chaplain Dewey attended a meeting at the Charleston County Emergency Preparedness Division regarding Charleston becoming a repatriation site for citizens returning from Haiti.

3- Chaplains McGowan, Temoney, Driggers, Jones, Dashnaw, Dewey, Carter, Raney, Farmer, O'Connell, Youngblood, Schwarz, Chaplain in training Greeley, Charleston County Detention Center Chaplain Eva Smith, Survivor Follow Up Group members Joanne and Mike McSherry, Rick Dandridge, Board Members Steve Peper and Emily Burrous, Director of Development Jean McDowell and Office Manager Claire Gatlin attended the monthly Chaplains' breakfast meeting. Chaplain O'Connell had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, and attended a Discernment Committee meeting. Chaplain Dewey prayed the invocation and benediction at the annual Charleston Police Department (CPD) Awards Ceremony.

4- Chaplain O'Connell had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian.

5- Chaplain Dewey was notified by the North Charleston Police Department (NCPD) and the Consolidated Dispatch (CD) that a student was shot – responded to the scene to offer support to the first responders and the staff and faculty of the victim's school and notified the MUSC Chaplain that the victim was being transported to the trauma center where sadly he died.

6- Chaplain Dashnaw was notified by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) of a death – attempted to comfort the victim's family and assisted the coroner and law enforcement personnel in making the death notification.

7- The CCC was notified by the SChP of an accident with a fatality – notified the Berkeley Crisis Chaplaincy.

8- Chaplain O'Connell had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Dewey prayed the blessing at a luncheon meeting of former FBI agents. Chaplain Driggers had two counseling sessions with civilians.

8 Continued- Chaplains Dewey and Driggers met with Charleston County School District (CCSD) teachers and staff regarding the shooting death of a student on the 5th.

9- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, assisted the Mobile Crisis Response team with employment interviews, and along with Chaplain Dewey spent time with CCSD teachers and staff regarding the shooting death on the 5th and attended the Murray Hill Community Meeting with NCPD Chief Zumalt and CCSD Superintendent Dr. Nancy McGinley regarding the same shooting death.

10- Chaplain Dashnaw was notified by the NCPD of a bank robbery – attempted to comfort the bank’s employees. Chaplain O’Connell had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Dewey had a counseling session with a first responder, was notified by the CCSO and EMS of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort the victim’s family and notified their pastor the Rev. Shaun Horn of New Beginning Church of James Island, and along with Chaplains Farmer and Youngblood attended the regular meeting of the Lowcountry Crisis Negotiators steering committee. Chaplain Driggers made two hospital visits to civilians.

11- Chaplain Driggers made two hospital calls to civilians, and a counseling session with a civilian. The CCC held its 19th Anniversary Banquet – there were over 550 people in attendance and over \$40,000 was raised for the ministry!

12- Chaplain Dashnaw presided over the funeral for the victim from the 6th. Chaplain O’Connell had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Dewey gave the opening prayer for the Department of Natural Resources annual meeting on Edisto Island – many thanks to Chairman Mike McShane for his continued support of the CCC! Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a relief worker who had just returned from Haiti, had a counseling session with a civilian, and made two hospital visits.

13- Chaplain Dewey made a hospital visit to a civilian and to a first responder. Chaplain Driggers made a hospital visit to a first responder, and attended a meeting of local independent Baptist pastors and spoke to the group about the CCC – many thanks to Chaplain Bob Keller from California for the invitation.

14- Chaplain Raney did a ride-along with the CCSO. Chaplain Dewey made a hospital visit to a first responder. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian.

15- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, had a counseling session with a first responder, and officiated at a funeral for the loved one of an individual who works for a local volunteer organization.

16- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, and made a hospital visit to a civilian. Chaplain Dewey made a hospital visit to a first responder, responded to a car wreck – notified the family and the pastor of one of the families, and was notified by the Mount Pleasant Police Department (MPPD) and the Mount Pleasant Fire Department (MPFD) that a person had overdosed on pills and was unresponsive – spent time with the victim’s parents and thankfully, the paramedics were able to revive the victim.

17- Chaplain Driggers attended and prayed the invocation at the Charleston County Fire Chief’s meeting, and had a counseling session with a first responder. The CCC was notified by EMS that a person had a miscarriage and was being transported to Trident Hospital – notified the Trident Hospital Chaplain.

18- Chaplain Driggers had two counseling sessions with first responders, and had a counseling session with a civilian. Board Members John Bryan, Emily Burrous, Sarah Marshall, John Keener, John Cawley, Walt Martin, Lewis Lee, Steve Peper, Harry Sewell, Don Lundy, Cindy Daniel, Spencer Lynch, Chaplain Rob Dewey, Chaplain Eddie Driggers, Director of Development Jean McDowell, and Office Manager Claire Gatlin attended the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors.

19- Chaplain Dewey had a counseling session with a civilian. Chaplain Farmer was notified by the James Island Fire Department (JIFD) of a death – attempted to comfort the victim’s family at the scene. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder, and was notified by EMS and the MPPD of the death of a first responder’s family member – responded to the home and ministered to the family.

20- Chaplain Dewey made a hospital visit to a civilian, and was notified by the CCSO that a person wanted to talk with a minister – talked with the person, who was having suicidal thoughts, until the CCSO and EMS arrived on the scene and took him to a hospital. Chaplain Youngblood gave the invocation and a short devotion at the half time event at a basketball game at Charleston Baptist Church. Chaplain Robinson attended the Fraternal Order of Police Metro Lodge 5 meeting.

21- Chaplain O’Connell was notified by the NCPD of an attempted homicide and death by suicide – worked with law enforcement personnel and the coroner at the scene, attempted to comfort the victim’s family at the scene and notified the MUSC Chaplain that a victim was being transported. The CCC was notified by EMS and the NCPD that a person died in route to the Trauma Center following a traffic wreck – notified the MUSC Chaplain, and was notified by EMS of a child in full arrest being transported to St. Francis Hospital – notified the St. Francis Hospital Chaplain.

22- Chaplain O’Connell attended the VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Assisting in Disasters) meeting, and had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Greeley was notified by EMS and the MPPD of a death – attempted to comfort the victim’s family and notified their pastor the Rev. Rob Allen of First Baptist Church on Isle of Palms. Chaplain Driggers assisted at a funeral for the relative of a first responder, had a counseling session with a first responder, responded to a natural death – ministered to first responders at the scene, and along with Director of Development Jean McDowell attended the Survivor Follow Up group meeting – many thanks to Jim Geffert of Dale Carnegie for his presentation!

23- Chaplain Driggers was notified by EMS and the CPD of a death – attempted to comfort the victim’s family and friends at the scene and contacted the victim’s employer, was notified by the NCPD of a natural death – responded and ministered to the very large family gathered at the scene and had a counseling session with an individual following the death, prayed the invocation at the Charleston County Retirement and Recognition Ceremony at the North Charleston Fire Museum, and was notified by EMS, the North Charleston Fire Department (NCFD) and the NCPD of a fire with two fatalities – assisted the Coroner in making the death notification and along with Chaplains Schwarz and Jones ministered to neighbors and first responders at the scene.

24- Chaplain Driggers had a follow up counseling session with the family members of the victim's who died in the fire on the 23rd, had a follow up counseling session with an individual regarding the death on the 23rd, attended the promotion ceremony for the NCPD, and was notified by the NCPD, the NCFD, and EMS of a fire with an infant and a mother trapped inside – along with Chaplain O'Connell responded and ministered to first responders at the scene, notified the hospital Chaplain and responded to the hospital to offer assistance, and spent time with first responders following the fire. Chaplain Dashnaw did a ride-along with the NCPD.

25- Chaplain Driggers attended the Academic Advisors breakfast meeting at Trident Technical College, had a counseling session with a first responder, followed up with emergency personnel regarding the fire from the 24th, assisted a local church in dealing with an individual who needed medical assistance, and helped stuff packets at the Cooper River Bridge Run mailing.

25-27 Chaplain Dewey taught a Pastoral Crisis Intervention Class in Reno, Nevada.

26- Chaplain Farmer was notified by the MPPD of a natural death – attempted to comfort the victim's family, and along with Chaplain Driggers attended a meeting at the Department of Mental Health regarding support for individuals from Haiti. Chaplain Youngblood assisted Folly Beach Public Safety (FBPS) in helping a civilian with mental problems, and was notified by the CCSO and the Coroner of a homicide – assisted the Coroner in making the death notification and attempted to comfort the victim's family. Chaplain Robinson officiated the wedding for a first responder.

27- The CCC was notified by the SCHP of an accident with a fatality – notified the Berkeley Crisis Chaplaincy, and was notified by the NCPD of an attempted death by suicide – notified the MUSC Chaplain that the victim was being transported to the trauma center. Chaplain Dashnaw was notified by EMS and the NCPD of a natural death – attempted to comfort the victim's family at the scene.

28- The CCC was notified by the SCHP of an accident with a fatality – notified the Colleton County Chaplain.

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