



Braveheart Chaplain Ministry



July 2016

‘Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: “Who should I send? Who will go for Us?” I said, “Here I am. Send me.”’

Isaiah 6:8



Dear Friends of Braveheart,

The number of situations I am involved with and the seriousness of calls both continue to increase. This is a summary of my 2016 July ministry. This indicates the measurable need for an ongoing full-time emergency responder chaplain in Flathead County.

- Officiated at Brad Treat’s memorial service, a United States Forest Service Law Enforcement officer fatally mauled by a bear in West Glacier. Approximately 1,600 people attended. Did follow up with Brad’s wife and various Forest Service employees.
- Conducted follow up with an officer who witnessed a suicidal man fatally shoot himself as he arrived on scene.
- Assisted a man who is going through a divorce.
- Followed up with an officer who was involved in a serious work related auto accident and with a firefighter who fell partially through a burning floor during a two-story structure fire.
- Responded to a motor vehicle accident where a logging truck had lost its logs after hitting an underpass. The motorist hit a log and damaged her vehicle. She is a believer and I prayed for her and her family.
- Arranged a debriefing for responders who dealt with a 3-fatality single car rollover at Airport Road traffic circle.
- Responded to a 22-year-old fatal drug overdose. Provided comfort, prayer, and guidance to the family.
- Conducted a debriefing for the Forest Service Law Enforcement officers who worked with Brad Treat. I will continue follow up with his closest co-workers.
- Responded to a single car rollover. Thankfully the driver was uninjured, but shaken up as were her parents and boyfriend who were on scene.
- Visited with a responder about his family member’s interest in baptism.
- Responded to a two vehicle head-on collision which resulted in 1 fatality. Assisted the coroner with the death notification to the wife and her mother. Did follow up with the wife and a Sheriff’s Office employee whose brother was driving the other vehicle.



An American flag is presented to Somer Treat, widow of Forest Service Officer Brad Treat, during the July 7, 2016, celebration of life ceremony.

- Comforted a young mother who caused a two vehicle accident on Highway 35. Her two little boys were with her. (This occurred concurrent with the above fatality)
- Accompanied the Undersheriff on a death notification attempt to a mother whose son had fatally shot himself.
- Made a hospital visit to a patient and his family member which included speaking of spiritual matters and the unknown medical issues.

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May God richly bless you,

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