list of supportive services available for MONG members and their families.

d. The services provided to MONG members and families shall be free of charge and at no obligation to the participants and neither party assumes any liability on behalf of the other.

e. Partners in Care congregations will provide an agent of their respective congregation to act as a signatory to this agreement.

f. The MONG shall provide periodic training seminars related to the initiative.

3. Partners in Care congregations may also volunteer to provide services upon request of the MONG in support of MONG Unit Family Readiness Group activities at local armories. These services will also be provided free of charge, regardless of religious affiliation, and at no obligation to the participants and neither party assumes any liability on behalf of the other.

4. Finally, the parties agree to provide support to the extent that resources are available.

(Signed)  **Stephen L. Danner**
STEPHEN L. DANNER
Major General, MONG
The Adjutant General

(Signed) ____________________________________________
CONGREGATION REPRESENTATIVE

(Signed) ____________________________________________
MONG Chaplain Corps Representative

(Date)_____________________

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**Examples of Services Offered**

Note: This is not exhaustive and varies from Congregation to Congregation; we ask that you share your Congregational Strengths!

- Counseling for Individuals, Couples, Marriages and Families
- Child Care – Sick Child Support
- Basic Household and Automotive Repairs
- Child and Teen Education and Mentoring
- Reunion/Reintegration Support
- Single Parent Deployment Support
- Women’s, Men’s, and Children’s Support Groups and Activities
- Emergency Food, Clothing, and Housing
- Transportation Assistance
- Financial Management Classes
- Crisis and Grief Counseling

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Thank you for your support of approximately 11,000 soldiers, airmen, and their families! They are your neighbors and friends—fellow-citizens in time of peace, and soldiers who mobilize in time of disaster, community need, or war. Your support and service to them conveys a great gift of recognition and honor.

The “Partners in Care” program reflects my desire to link caring communities in support of these warriors and their families who face unique challenges because of their service. Our shared strength and resources make us all stronger.

Please consider participating in this worthwhile project and working with our fine Chaplains as “Partners in Care.”

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PARTNERS IN CARE

All Faith Communities are welcome to participate as “Partners in Care” (PIC) congregations. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by a MONG Chaplain and a representative of the participating congregation formalizes the relationship. The MOU defines the purpose, scope, and nature of the partnership. Support is offered by the participating congregation to all referred warriors and families within the limits of congregational resources and abilities, and free of charge without regard to the recipients’ religious affiliation.

It is recognized and understood that MONG citizen-soldiers and their families are integral parts of local communities across the state. These citizen-soldiers and their families endure the stress incumbent upon those who sacrifice in service to the defense of liberty and the safety and security of both State and Nation. It is further recognized and understood that within the communities are congregations uniquely equipped and able to provide faith-based support to MONG members and families in times of crisis, stress, and need. To that end “Partners in Care” invites you to join in this shared ministry initiative.

Note: Referral to a PIC congregation by MONG in no way implies endorsement of a particular religion or faith group.

[Partners in Care was Created and Piloted by CH (COL) William Sean Lee in the Maryland National Guard]

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

THE PARTNERS IN CARE CONGREGATIONS AND
THE MISSOURI NATIONAL GUARD

WHEREAS, the Partners in Care through their respective congregations and the Missouri National Guard recognize a need for a coordinated effort to provide faith based support to members of the Missouri National Guard (MONG).

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri and the Partners in Care realize that this initiative in no way endorses the establishment or requirement to participate in any religion;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties enter into the following agreement and understanding:

1. Facts: Partners in Care is a voluntary relationship between faith communities and the Missouri National Guard. The purpose of this agreement is to provide faith-based support to those members of the Missouri National Guard and their families upon request.

2. The understanding between the parties follows:

   a. The congregations agree that support will be afforded to all MONG members and families equally and without discrimination or regard to their religious beliefs.

   b. All religious and faith-based communities are welcome to participate in this initiative provided they consent to this agreement.

   c. Partners in Care congregations and the MONG shall designate points of contact and a