

# Lt. Col. Curt Wagner

121st Air Refueling Wing ~ Columbus



Wagner joined the Ohio Air National Guard in 1995 after 13 years in the Army National Guard. He said his favorite humanitarian mission was taking part in the 2005 Hurricane Katrina response in Louisiana, where he was on the Joint Chaplain Emergency Response Team, helping place chaplains from around the country with units that were deployed to support the recovery response.

Wagner also supported the 2016 Presidential Inauguration, when a group of chaplains and chaplain assistants from the Ohio National Guard were deployed to Washington, D.C. to support the many Guard members who were activated to provide security and crowd control for the inauguration. “We were able to help many people who had come there to attend the event with directions and information but it was mostly our presence that seemed to give people a sense of security while they were there,” Wagner said.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Curt Wagner (center) and Staff Sgt. Brian Sampson, both of the 121st Air Refueling Wing, talk to a journalist who was covering the 2016 Presidential Inauguration.

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