



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES ARMY

CHAPLAIN (MAJOR) RALPH D. NAB



Chaplain Ralph D. Nab was born in North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, on November 4, 1974. He holds a Master of Divinity Degree from the Liberty Theological Seminary in Lynchburg, Virginia. An ordained Baptist minister, he has pastored churches in North Carolina and served in an international prison ministry. In October 2005, he became a United States Army Chaplain Candidate. Upon graduation from Seminary, he was commissioned a United States Army Chaplain in 2006 and was assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

His previous assignments include serving as a 11C infantryman; 2-325 Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Ft. Bragg, North Carolina from 1993-1998. He served as a Battalion Chaplain in combat operations in support of "Operation Iraqi Freedom"; 1-325 Airborne Infantry Regiment Chaplain, 82d Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; two deployments to Operation Iraqi Freedom as the 112th Signal Battalion Chaplain, USASOC, Ft. Bragg, North Carolina; two deployments in Support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group Chaplain, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; one deployment as the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force- Afghanistan Command Chaplain. He is currently serving as the Brigade Chaplain for the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team (Airborne) in Vicenza, Italy.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint-Service Accommodation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal (1 Service Star), the Afghanistan Campaign Medal (2 Service Stars), the Iraq Campaign Medal (3 Service Stars), the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal, the Combat Action Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the U.S. Army Master Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, and the U.S. Army Ranger Tab.

Chaplain Nab is married to the former Kristi Leigh Craven of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. They have two children, Kelli (18) and Kayti (16). The family currently resides in Deerfield, Illinois.