

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED CHAPLAINCY MINISTRIES?

Correctional

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Mental Health
Nursing Home
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Fire & Rescue
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Rescue Mission
Rodeo
Trucking

Military

Air Force
Army
Navy
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THE CHALLENGE OF CHAPLAINCY

PREPARING LEADERS FOR TODAY'S WORLD

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR AGTS STUDENTS

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**FROM CHARLES MARVIN,
DIRECTOR OF CHAPLAINCY**

Why are you leaving the ministry to go into the Navy?" people asked me in the late '60's. I tried to explain my calling to a mission field different from that of pastoring a church. Some understood, some didn't; but not even I could have imagined the ministry opportunities awaiting me as a military chaplain.

Preaching, teaching, marrying, and burying, along with a healthy portion of crisis intervention and pastoral counseling involved in Military/VA chaplaincy have put me in many unusual environments.

Military and VA chaplaincies provide challenges in mind, body, spirit, and personal theologies of evangelism. Ministry happens in ways that are almost impossible to duplicate in a typical church setting. Our Assemblies of God chaplains have responded admirably to this challenge since World War II and continue to excel because they permit God to love others through them. Caring for people and seeking their reconciliation to God through Jesus Christ provides chaplains the impetus for spiritual and professional growth, opening doors of unpredictable adventure and ministry opportunities.

If you have a bona fide call to the ministry, enjoy traveling, and can love and accept people while patiently allowing God's Spirit to transform them, please consider this needy mission field.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Generous scholarships are awarded annually to qualifying students enrolled in the Master of Divinity Program preparing for Institutional, Occupational, Military, or Veterans Affairs chaplaincy ministries.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

To be qualified for these scholarships, a person must meet the following requirements:

- ◆ Be Assemblies of God by denomination.
- ◆ Be enrolled in at least 9 hours in the Master of Divinity program.
- ◆ Maintain above-average academic standing.
- ◆ Sign statement of intent to become a chaplain in the Assemblies of God.
- ◆ Meet physical, age, and citizenship requirements stipulated by state or federal agencies.
- ◆ Maintain an applicant file with the Chaplaincy Department.

**FROM RICK DAVIS,
INSTITUTIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE**

I will never forget the day the state Director of Chaplains called with an opportunity I should have rejoiced over. "We will hire 35 new chaplains within the next 18 months. How many qualified candidates will the Assemblies of God send to us?"

You would think such a question would make my heart leap for joy. After all, my ministry is to place Assemblies of God chaplains. These men and women give patients, prisoners, and others the privilege of a powerful, Pentecostal presentation of the gospel. The government calls them *chaplains*, but, as you and I know, they are truly *missionaries* for Jesus Christ.

But overshadowing the joy of the opportunities was a sinking feeling. "Here are even more open doors, yet we do not have qualified candidates to send!" I felt like the farmer who saw most of his apples rot on the trees because he could not get enough workers to gather them. "God," I cried, "How can there be so many opportunities without men and women who will go into your fields?"

The Lord of the Harvest is calling laborers, missionaries, chaplains to do His work. Won't you prayerfully consider reaching the lost for Christ through this vital and challenging ministry?