



CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS

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Dear Colleagues in Ministry,

Our religious ministry teams serve Sea Services personnel around the world. During my visits, I am impressed by your ministry and by the accolades your shipmates offer for your service. Every echelon of the chain of command appreciates your work.

The Navy Chaplain articles this quarter reflect our ministry's global impact, as well as its unique institutional dimensions and its rich heritage. Chaplain Joe Scordo reflects on ministry "at the tip of the spear" in Kandahar, Afghanistan. Chaplain Robert Jones tells the story of a community relations project that brought about a near-miraculous reunion of mother and son. Chaplain Steve Beyer shows how something as "un-spiritual" as maintenance of shipboard spaces can yield ministry opportunities, and Chaplain Jon Fredrickson describes the challenges faced in finding unknown human remains at sea.

You will also find two reports related to "Giants of the Chaplain Corps." The first covers a special rededication service at Arlington National Cemetery held to honor our first Chief of Chaplains, John Brown Frazier. The second report summarizes recent Marine Corps training on Chaplain John Craven.

Our Pastoral Care Residency (PCR) program then shares the spotlight as Chaplain Bruce Anderson recounts the benefits he experienced from the program and Chaplain Jane Vieira, the PCR Program Manager, provides the technical details.

Thank you again for your service to our country and your God. May the work of your hands and the words of your mouth be a blessing to those you serve so faithfully.

In God's service and yours,