

CALL FOR PAPERS

Peer-Reviewed Articles for Publication in the United States Army

Chaplain Corps Journal

The Chaplain Corps Journal is a bi-annual, peer-reviewed professional journal that provides a respectful, academically-rigorous forum for theological reflection, doctrinal discussion, personal encouragement and challenge, as well as book reviews – particularly those that call the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps (and sister service chaplains, coalition partner chaplains, theological students, academics, and practitioners in ordained ministry or religious service) to think critically and reflectively about religious support to soldiers, other service members, and their families.

Opportunity:

To contribute to the scholarly and professional body of knowledge of the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps by authoring an article on the Journal theme. To publish in a peer-reviewed professional journal that seeks to think critically and reflectively about the professional chaplain ministering in the United States Army, Army Reserve, and National Guard.

Author Qualifications:

- U.S. Army chaplains (AC, USAR, and NG)
- The Chaplain Corps Journal will, also, publish articles from U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy chaplains (serving all of the sea services)
- Retired military chaplains
- Special guests by invitation

Date: Papers are due to Ms. Julia Simpkins, Editor, *The Chaplain Corps Journal*:
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Religious support happens in many different contexts in the United States Army and sister services. One of the most challenging environments is the battle field. How has chaplain ministry changed over the years? How is it the same? What factors are emerging in the Army and in religious support that will impact the way chaplains conduct ministry in a future war? Are there case studies of chaplains from the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, the American Civil War, the Spanish-American War, as well as the 20th Century wars that inform our present understanding of ministry? How so? Was there a singular engagement that became storied in framing our mission in an area of engagement? In what ways are present armed conflicts shaping the way chaplain ministry is conducted? What is the relationship of social changes in the U.S. and the West with religious support in battle? What will be the impact on future ministry? Which other signs in the West are important in understanding the future of chaplain ministry in war (e.g., devolution trends in Britain and Europe, worship trends in the Church, new works of theology in Jewish theology)?

To facilitate this process of thinking critically and reflectively about these are other related questions related to soldier and family religious support, the Chaplain Corps Journal will focus the Autumn-Winter issue on “The Chaplaincy in War: Past, Present, and Future Ministry.”

Proposals for papers are invited to address the issues announced in the conference call. Papers that explore the intersection between religion, theology, Army values, and practical ways to bring care to the soldier and family are particularly invited.

The Chaplain Corps Journal will publish six to eight refereed papers on the announced theme. In addition, the Journal will publish at least one inspirational article and six book reviews.

Format of abstract/proposal:

Article should include an abstract as well as a vitae be no more than 2,500 words and no less than 1,500 words, clearly indicating the title, proposer, institutional affiliation, plus 5 to 8 key words. Communicate your abstract/article to Ms. Julie Simpkins at Julia.f.Simpkins.civ@mail.mil

Deadline for proposals:

15 December 2014

Inquiries and assistance

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