Federal Chaplains:

## **Register NOW!**

As is our tradition, our Annual Federal Chaplains Meeting will include the Military Chaplaincy Association's Institutes! **This year we will arrive in Columbia, SC on Tuesday afternoon (come early to join us for dinner), the 29<sup>th</sup> of July, and stay for our private gatherings on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July and the 31<sup>st</sup>. Then, the 1<sup>st</sup> of August through the 2<sup>nd</sup> will be our days AND awards dinner** with the Military Chaplaincy Association, **departing on Sunday, the 3<sup>rd</sup>** (unless you make plans to stay over on leave – there are many things to do in the area). <u>So the TOTAL CONFERENCE days are Tuesday</u> 29 July (for travel and check-in) through 3 August (the check-out and return home day).

**Book Now!** lodging is at **Courtyard By Marriott, Downtown Columbia, SC**, @ University of SC. Lodging will be at the <u>Government Rate</u> (see link or request it on the when calling!), as published (currently **\$115/night, parking \$10/day**). <u>Reservation-Link.</u> [Note: If you are checking in prior to the 29<sup>th</sup> or are staying past the 3<sup>rd</sup>, call the Courtyard (803-799-7800) and make those arrangements mentioning Government Rate and Group Code MCAMCAB.] The closest airport is the Columbia [SC] Metropolitan Airport (CAE), approximately 8 miles away.

The Military Chaplains Association of the United States of America, chartered by Congress, celebrates 100 years of being the *Voice of Chaplaincy* in 2025. Come join us for this significant gathering and celebration. Events include the first Veteran/Military Friendly Congregations symposium – which I HIGHLY recommend, especially for VA chaplains (see <a href="https://vmfc-usa.org">https://vmfc-usa.org</a>), the annual Memorial Service, a day of recognition and celebration of the MCA through its history and discussions of service in our Second Century. A gala banquet and awards presentation will highlight our Saturday evening.

Important! Get your registration tickets here: <u>https://rb.gy/1ccnj9</u>. Hint: Please read that registration page carefully for military uniform expectations and other information. Once you have registered, please contact Dave via email or text and let him know that you are attending: <u>Chaplaincy@Spirit-filled.org</u> or 757-927-2427.

Hope to see you there!