

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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The Manual says in paragraph 404, “Persons applying for career assignment in the USA military chaplaincy must appear before the Chaplaincy Advisory Council (CAC) and the Board of General Superintendents (BGS).” Only chaplains applying for active duty status meet with the CAC and BGS. The CD Chaplain Consultant approves chaplains applying for Reserves or National Guard status.

Action Steps to Military Endorsement:

- Potential candidate calls the Clergy Development (CD) office at the Global Ministry Center (GMC) or his/her District Chaplaincy Director (DCD) requesting information about chaplaincy. The DCD or CD administrative staff forwards to the CD Chaplain Consultant information concerning interested candidates.
- The CD Chaplain Consultant makes contact with the potential candidate to determine the interest level and readiness to make application for endorsement.
- If the CD Chaplain Consultant determines that there is sufficient interest and potential, CD’s administrative staff forwards an application to the potential candidate.
- Potential candidate completes the application form and returns it to CD.
- Throughout the process, the CD Chaplain Consultant confers with the candidate’s district superintendent as necessary.
- The CD Chaplain Consultant reviews the completed application and either places the candidate on the Chaplaincy Advisory Council (CAC) interview slate (active duty) or approves the candidate’s application (Reserves or National Guard).
- The CD Chaplain Consultant convenes the CAC annually to screen candidates seeking endorsement for service in the active duty military.
- Once a candidate is approved for endorsement, the CD Chaplain Consultant directs the CD administrative staff to send a Department of Defense Form 2088 to the appropriate military branch (Air Force, Army, or Navy).
- Endorsed chaplains submit annual reports to CD’s Chaplain Consultant. This information is vital for maintaining endorsement with the chaplain’s service (Air Force, Army, or Navy).
- Endorsed chaplains notify the CD office of contact changes (status, address, phone number, email address, etc).
- Those seeking chaplain candidate status while completing the educational requirements complete an application (as outlined above) but do not serve as chaplains.

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