

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MINISTRY TO THE ARMED FORCES**  
**2020 ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA**  
**RELIGIOUS LIBERTY: AMERICA'S FIRST FREEDOM**  
 CRYSTAL GATEWAY MARRIOTT – ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

2:00p – 8:00p	NCMAF Executive Committee Meeting	Pentagon A/B
6:00p – 6:30p	Working Dinner	Pentagon A/B

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13**

7:30a – 6:00p	Conference Registration	Grand Registration Desk; Second Floor
7:30a – 5:00p	Exhibitor Set-up	Salons D-G

**NEW ENDORSER TRAINING**

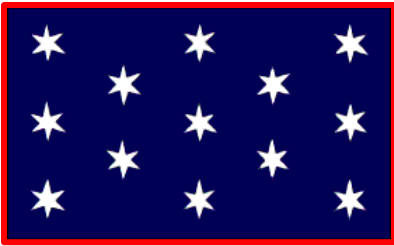
8:00a – 2:00p	New Endorsers Training <i>Facilitators: Jack Lea and Dr. Ken Bush</i>	Pentagon A/B
11:30a – 12:30p	New Endorser Training Lunch	Pentagon A/B

**ECVAC MEMBER ANNUAL MEETING**

1:00p – 1:15p	Greetings and Introductions	Salons A, B, C
1:15 – 2:00p	Update from Chaplain Juliana Lesher <i>National Director of Chaplain Service</i>	Salons A, B, C
2:00 – 2:15p	Break	Salon A, B, C Foyer
2:15 – 2:45p	<i>Rural Community Clergy Training Program</i> <i>Dr. Tom Klobucar</i> <i>Director, Office of Rural Health</i> <i>Ms. Kristin Pettey</i> <i>Program Manager, Office of Rural Health</i>	Salon A, B, C
2:45 – 3:45p	Interactive Discussion with Researchers: Needs Assessment for Rural Community Training Program <i>Karen Besterman-Dahan, Margeaux Chavez, and Wendy Hathaway</i>	Salon A, B, C
3:45 – 4:00p	Break	Salon A, B, C Foyer
4:00 – 4:45p	Conflict Management and Relationship Building <i>Chaplain Juliana Lesher,</i> <i>National Director of Chaplain Service</i>	Salons A, B, C
4:45 – 5:00p	ECVAC Business Meeting	Salons A, B, C

**WELCOME RECEPTION**

6:30p – 8:00p	Reception for All NCMAF Members <i>Honoring New and Departing Endorsers</i>	Salon H
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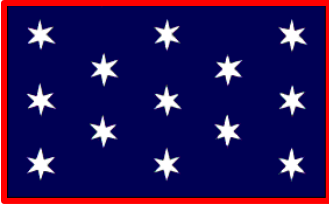


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**TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

7:00a – 10:00a	Conference Registration	Grand Registration Desk; Second Floor
7:00a – 5:00p	Exhibitors	Salons D-G
7:00a – 8:30a	Breakfast	Salon A, B, C Foyer
8:00a – 8:15a	Devotions	Salons A, B, C
8:15a – 8:45a	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Derek Jones, Chairperson, Executive Committee</i> <i>Jack Lea, Executive Director</i>	Salons A, B, C
8:45a – 10:15a	Religious Liberty: America’s First Freedom <i>Dr. Os Guinness</i> <i>Author and Social Critic</i>	Salons A, B, C
10:15a – 10:30a	Break	Salons D-G
10:30a – 11:30a	Free to Believe: Why Religious Liberty Matters <i>Luke Goodrich</i> <i>Vice President and Senior Counsel, Becket Law</i>	Salons A, B, C
11:30a - 1:00p	Lunch and “A Conversation with President James Madison” <i>Kyle Jenks</i> <i>Professional Interpreter of President James Madison</i>	Lunch – Salon A, B, C Foyer Presentation – Salons, A, B, C
1:00p – 2:00p	“Chaplains of American Revolution: First Advocates for Liberty” <i>Dr. John Brinsfield, CH (COL), US Army (Retired)</i> <i>Former Branch Historian, Army Chaplain Corps</i>	Salons A, B, C
2:00p – 2:45p	Religious Liberty Update <i>Daniel Blomberg</i> <i>Senior Legal Counsel, Becket Law</i>	Salons A, B, C
2:45p – 3:00p	Break	Salons D-G
3:00p – 5:00p	NCMAF Members Business Meeting <i>Administrative Announcements</i> <i>Executive Director Report</i> <i>Executive Committee Chair Report</i> <i>Executive Committee Secretary Report</i> <i>Executive Committee Treasurer Report</i> <i>Adoption of the 2020 Budget</i>	Salons A, B, C

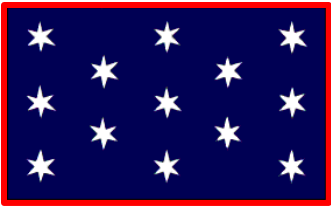


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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**

7:00a – 9:15a	Conference Registration	Grand Registration Desk; Second Floor
7:00a – 5:00p	Exhibitors	Salons D-G
7:00a – 8:30a	Breakfast	Salon A, B, C Foyer
8:00a – 8:15a	Devotions	Salons A, B, C
8:15a – 9:15a	Why Religious Liberty Matters: An Endorser’s Perspective <i>CH (MG) Doug Carver, US Army (Retired)</i> <i>North American Mission Board; Southern Baptist Convention</i>	Salons A, B, C
9:15a – 10:00a	Preparing Institutions for the Next Generation <i>Rev. Dr. Emily A. Peck-McLain,</i> <i>Visiting Professor, Christian Formation &amp; Young Adult Ministries</i> <i>Wesley Theological Seminary</i>	Salons A, B, C
10:00a – 10:15a	Break	Salons D-G
10:15a – 11:30	Endorser Best Practices Panel	Salons A, B, C
11:30a – 1:00p	Lunch with Networking Opportunities	Salon A, B, C Foyer
1:00p – 2:00p	Chiefs of Chaplains Recruiter Updates	Salons A, B, C
2:00p – 2:30p	Service Updates on Religious Accommodation	Salons A, B, C
2:30p – 2:45p	Break	Salons D-G
2:45p – 3:45p	Workshop 1: From Call to Commission: Mentoring Seminarians for Military Chaplaincy <i>Rev. Dr. Eric Whitmore</i> <i>Associate Endorser, Texas Baptists</i>	Salons A, B, C
	Workshop 2: Chaplains at Gettysburg: A Case Study <i>Dr. John Brinsfield, CH (COL), US Army, Retired</i> <i>Former Branch Historian, Army Chaplain Corps</i>	Salon H
	Workshop 3: Women in Ministry Training Event Planning <i>Rev. Sarah Lammert</i> <i>Co-Director of Ministries and Faith Development</i> <i>UUA Ecclesiastical Endorser</i>	Salon J
3:45p – 4:15p	Update on Clergy Support to the Coast Guard Auxiliary <i>CAPT Thomas J Walcott, CHC, USN</i> <i>Chaplain of the Coast Guard</i>	Salons A, B, C
4:15p – 5:00p	Updates on Emerging Issues from the AFCB <i>CDR Bill Reilly, CHC, USN</i> <i>Armed Forces Chaplains Board, Executive Director</i>	Salons A, B, C
5:00p – 5:15p	Conference Wrap-Up and Adjournment	Salons A, B, C
5:30p – 6:30p	Executive Committee Wrap-Up/Planning Meeting	Jefferson
5:00p – 6:30p	Exhibitor Tear-down/Depart	Salons D-G



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ADDITIONAL MEETINGS  
AGENDAS TO BE SET BY GROUP**



**THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

**Armed Forces Chaplain Board (AFCB) Meeting**

8:00a – 5:00p	AFCB Meeting	Meeting at the U.S. Pentagon
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**Earlier this Week**

**Association of Religious Endorsing Bodies (AREB) Meeting**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 10**

5:00p – 8:00p	AREB Meeting	Jefferson
5:00p – 7:00p	Coffee/Granola Bars available	Jefferson

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 11**

8:00a – 5:00p	AREB Meeting	Jefferson
8:00a – 9:00a	Breakfast	Jefferson
12:00p – 1:00p	Lunch	Jefferson

**CONFERENCE AREA LAYOUT**

