

February 2, 2024

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Dear Chaplains:

SPIRE this year and will meet in on October 1-3 in Peoria, AZ at Christ's Church of the Valley. (7007 W. Happy Valley Road, Peoria, AZ 856383). It will continue to be a major convention of our faith group and, since the Chaplaincy Endorsement Commission (CEC) was organized in 1969, it has been one of the annual gatherins for our chaplains. Activities will include and workshop for our chaplains.

There will be other responsibilities and opportunities for chaplains. You should attend the convention in uniform ready to represent the CEC and your branch of service to the conventioneers. You will be expected to serve as a host the CEC exhibition booth. There will be a wide range of workshops and worship services to attend. Come prepared to work, learn and reconnect with your faith group! Registration, housing and special events can be found on their website: spireconnect.network.

The CEC expects you to attend SPIRE and we have made it a condition for your continued endorsement. We are proud of you as you represent us ministering to the Armed Forces and we see your participation at the convention as a way to make you a more effective chaplain and a chance for us to express our gratitude to you. If you have specific questions or concerns about the October gathering, please email or call me.

Grace and Peace,

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