

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Specialized Chaplaincy
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1. What determines Specialized Chaplains?

A: A Specialized Chaplain is called to minister to "unique" congregations that others do not have access to. This type of ministry is usually outside the normal church walls setting; however, may be incorporated into the main stream or purpose of your church.

2. What does a Specialized Chaplain do?

A: They minister in "unique" settings. They are NOT military chaplains; nor are they police or fire, hospital or hospice nor prison. They ARE: Industrial, institutional, Market Place Ministries, legislative, educational, Red Cross, motor-cycle, truck stop or city chaplains. They could be sports, travel, or many others...

3. What are the steps to become a Foursquare chaplain, for any of the divisions?

A: The training "necessary" for a particular type of chaplaincy or position is based on the "requirements" of the hiring or certifying agency. Most require, at a minimum, that you be a licensed minister (or seeking such) from your denomination. Other particular types of training may be 'required' to aid you in maximizing your ministry abilities and honing your pastoral skills.

4. What are the requirements or responsibilities once I become accepted?

A: Do the job of a chaplain in good standing. Once a quarter there is a report to fill out and send in to the Divisional Superintendent and to the Chaplain Office. If at all possible, attend the Chaplain Conference, which is just a few days before the International Convention each year.

5. How do I get started to become a Foursquare chaplain?

A: If you are already a chaplain, contact Jeff Mink (see below) at the Foursquare Chaplains office in Los Angeles. He will then put you in contact with someone in the field of interest who can help you get started.

For more information about Foursquare Chaplaincy, contact us at chaplains@foursquare.org. Comments about this document are also welcome.