



American Legion Auxiliary Chaplain Programs Action Plan 2021-2022

Purpose:

The American Legion Auxiliary Chaplains, express by word and action, our principle of service to God and Country and encourage all auxiliary members to celebrate diversity among people and faiths. Our Auxiliary Chaplains provide spiritual and emotional guidance when needed or requested, always showing dignity and respect to the occasion.

Objectives:

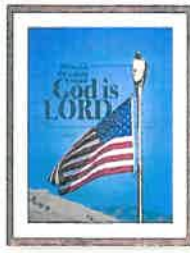
1. Pray for the American Legion Auxiliary, its members and leaders, for success in carrying out the American Legion Auxiliary mission.
2. Guide our members through prayer experiences that are appropriate for the situation.
3. Act as spiritual ambassadors of our organization.

Activities:

1. Provide and promote emotional and spiritual support to the American Legion Family by sending e-mails, prayers, etc. to members throughout the American Legion Auxiliary administrative year.
2. Reconnect with the heart of God, the master of might, and promote our founding father's desire to create One Nation Under God.
3. The Chaplain is responsible for all invocations, benedictions, and memorial services for deceased members at official meetings.
4. Recommend educational materials that promote a spirit of unity and love.

****All prayers and devotional thoughts must be non-denominational****
(Source: Guidelines for National Chaplain)

Non-denominational means "not restricted to or associated with a religious denomination."
(Source: www.answers.com/topic/non-denominational)



Reporting:

Mid-Year Reports:

At this time a mid-year report is not requested by National, however, Central Division might, if so, I'll contact you as soon as I'm notified.

Annual Reports:

The Unit Chaplain Annual Report Summary is due to your District Chaplain by April 15, 2022.

The District Annual Report Summary is due to the Department Chaplain April 27, 2022. (See below)

Resources:

1. www.alaforveterans.org
 - A. American Legion Auxiliary Unit Guidebook
 - B. Guidelines for National Chaplain of the American Legion Auxiliary
 - C. National Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules of the American Legion Auxiliary
 - D. Chaplain Prayer Book for the American Legion Auxiliary
2. Auxiliary Chaplains on Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/alachaplains
3. Church Bulletins, Daily Devotions

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Awards

Department Awards:

Karen Lowe Monetary Award to the Senior Unit Chaplain who has the winning entry in the contest for “Book of Prayers and Devotional Thoughts”.

Janet Barnaby Monetary Award to the District Chaplain who has the winning entry in the contest for “Book of Prayers and Devotional Thought”.

Personal Awards Seniors:

Personal Gift to the Senior Unit Chaplain for the winning entry Book of Prayers & Devotional Thoughts.

Personal Gift to the District Chaplain for the winning entry Book of Prayers & Devotional Thoughts.

Personal Award Juniors:

Personal gift to the Junior for the winning entry Book of Prayers & Devotional Thoughts.





Rules for
“Book of Prayer & Devotional Thoughts”
2021 – 2022

- * “Book of Prayers and Devotional Thoughts” should be centered on the front cover of the book. The book may be decorated any way you please, but remember it is a Book of Prayers.
- * Use 8.5” X 11” paper in a three ring binder.
- * You may use colored paper or clip art. Please be tasteful.
- * Handwritten prayers and devotions legibly written are acceptable.
- * Incorporate President Rose Ann’s theme “**Remembering Our Service To Veterans Every Day**”.
- * The first page must be a cover sheet with the Unit name, Unit number/District number and Chaplain’s name and contact information.

- * **If this is a District Book of Prayers, the first page must have the District number and District Chaplain’s name.**
- * Prayers and Devotional thoughts should follow next and be centered on each page.
- * Double space between the last line of the prayer and enter devotional information in the next bullet point.
- * At the bottom of each page enter the author’s name, the name of the individual submitting the prayer, Unit name and Unit number.
- * If you are sending a copy of the prayer or devotion for the District or Department Book of Prayer, include the name of the Department-Indiana and your District number.
- * Handwritten entries are the same and must be legible.

- * **Junior Chaplain “Book of Prayers and Devotional Thoughts” must be taken to the Department Junior Conference in June for judging.**

- * **Unit Senior Books are due to the District Chaplain for Judging by June 1, 2022. District books and the winning Unit books are due to the Department Chaplain by June 15, 2022.**