

## **CHAPLAIN (MG) DOUGLAS L. CARVER, USA, RETIRED**

Chaplain (Major General) Douglas L. Carver, United States Army, Retired, left the active duty Army in September 2011 after serving 38 years of military service on behalf of our country. His last duty position was as the 22<sup>nd</sup> Army Chief of Chaplains at the Pentagon in Washington, DC, serving over 2900 chaplains who support the religious and pastoral needs of our 1.2 million soldiers and families. Appointed by the President of the United States to this assignment on July 12, 2007, he was the first Southern Baptist chaplain to be promoted to the position of Chief of Chaplains in more than 50 years. Chaplain Carver has served at every level of the Army, from Platoon to the Department of the Army Staff. As Command Chaplain of V Corps, United States Army- Europe, he deployed with the Corps to Iraq in 2003 where he served as the senior military chaplain in the combat theater.

A Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, he holds a Master of Divinity Degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky and a Master of Strategic Studies Degree from the United States Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Additionally, he has been awarded honorary Doctorate degrees from Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Missouri and Shorter University in Rome, Georgia for his many years of distinguished service to our military and nation. Chaplain Carver is a member of the Order of Saint Barbara, an honorary military society of artillerymen. He is also a recipient of the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonel.

Chaplain Carver currently serves as Executive Director of Chaplaincy Services for the North American Mission Board, providing professional and pastoral support to 3900 Southern Baptist Chaplains who minister in various institutional settings around the world. He also serves as a member of the Task Force on Conscience Protection at the Witherspoon Institute in Princeton, New Jersey, an independent research center that works to enhance public understanding of the religious foundations of free and democratic societies.

A native of Rome, Georgia, he and his wife, Sunny, have been married for over 38 years. They currently reside in Waxhaw, North Carolina near their two daughters and four grandchildren.