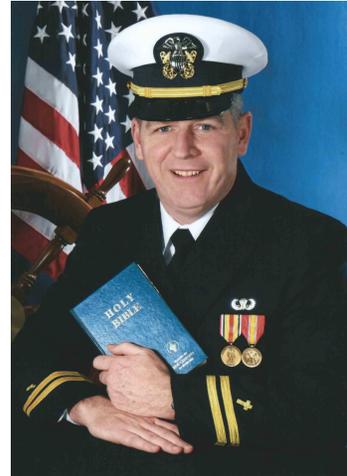


Meet Our New Chaplain

Hello,

My name is William Broderick. I am a new Navy chaplain serving with Marines. I am married and have five wonderful children. After 15 years as a teaching elder serving three different congregations I was given the opportunity to come into the Navy full time. It was a coming home for me because over 20 years ago the Lord came and regenerated my heart while serving in the Marine Corps reserves. Back then it seemed I was all alone in my faith, which now I know was not true. The Lord has given me the chance to go back and be a witness and support to the Marines and see there is no part of this world that he does not have his witnesses in. I serve with the First Tank Battalion, First Marine division. This Battalion has a rich history of service and is filled with courageous Marines that have seen some very difficult things in recent history. In three weeks the Lord has already used the ministry to hear three confessions of faith and prevent one suicide. However, there are many challenges for they have had five chaplains in three years, which has hurt developing relationships and the idea that the chaplain is part of the team. I very much appreciate your prayers and would also enjoy praying for your ministry in Alabama. The things I am most concerned about: first, the family adjusting and growing in faith despite the new restraints of time; second, is work (i.e. being organized and introducing new religious programs that allow me to form the relationships this ministry needs); third and most importantly, my sanctification and not allowing the work of military to confuse my primary mission for our Lord and savior. I firmly believe in "excellence in all things and all things to the glory of God". Besides the Lord, my hero is Daniel (as is for many chaplains). My personal prayer is that I will be the faithful witness that Daniel was even while living with the Chaldeans. I look forward to a long relationship with your church. Thank you for your support of the PCA chaplains.



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I am all checked in and have taken over as the battalion chaplain for first tanks. As most know it is very fast paced starting a new career in a high tempo unit. I have begun to make some solid relationships but there is still a feeling out process for the new guy. It is different not preaching every Sunday and doing the military side of the job but I have already heard some confessions of faith and been involved in counseling families about different ways of looking at family. Please pray for my family as we continue the transition from church ministry to military ministry. In addition, I just pray that I will live the motto, "excellence in all things and all things to the glory of God."