

## U.S. Army Institute for Religious Leadership



### USA-IRL Deputy Director/ Commandant Chaplain (COL) Louis A. Deltufo

Chaplain Louis A. Deltufo is the 45th Commandant and USA-IRL Deputy Director. He and his wife, Nanse, have two adult children and one grandchild.

Chaplain DelTufo enlisted in the New Jersey Army National Guard in February 1989 as a Combat Engineer. He served in both the New Jersey and Missouri Army National Guard while working on his undergraduate degree at Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri. Upon graduation, he joined the Army Reserve Chaplain Candidate Program. He served as a Pastor and Police Chaplain and is Ordained through the New Jersey District of the General Council of the Assemblies of God. Following his completion of a Master of Arts in New Testament Theology and Master of Divinity Degree from The Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, Springfield, Missouri, Chaplain (1LT) DelTufo entered active duty (1995).



As a Captain, he served as a Battalion Chaplain at Fort Bragg, South Korea, Goodfellow Air Force Base, and Fort Gordon, Georgia. As a Major, he served as the 116th MI Group/NSA Chaplain, Fort Gordon, Deputy Division Chaplain for 1st Armored Division/MND-N, and then as the Executive Officer, US Army Europe Chaplain's Office. After promotion to Lieutenant Colonel, he became the Chaplain Personnel Manager / Force Structure Officer for US Army Training and Doctrine Command and then the 1st Infantry Division Chaplain, Fort Riley, Kansas, and deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, as the Combined Joint Forces Land Component Command Chaplain for Operation Inherent Resolve (CJFLCC-I). After graduation from the US Army War College (USAWC) and promotion to Colonel, he became the Senior Chaplain at the US Army Cyber Center of Excellence, Fort Gordon, Georgia. He deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as the Chaplain for the Commander, Operation Resolute Support and US Forces Afghanistan. Upon redeployment, he served as the Deputy Commandant and the Director of Training at the United States Army Chaplain Center and School, Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He was then selected to become the I Corps Chaplain, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. He last served as the Chief, Operations and Training, at the Religious Support Operations Center.

Chaplain DelTufo also earned a Doctor of Ministry Degree from Drew Theological Seminary in 2001, Master of Science in Strategic Studies from the US Army War College in 2016, and a certificate of ACPE/Basic. His awards and decorations are commensurate with his service in the Army and with Joint/Coalition Forces. He is a graduate of the Chaplain Officer Basic (1993) and Career Course (2003), Combined Arms Staff and Service School, Command and General Staff College (2006), US Army War College (2016), Jungle Warfare School (Panama), Combat Medical Ministry Course, Basic Clinical Pastoral Education (WRAMC), Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Course, NATO/PFP Chaplain Course, Airborne School, and Jumpmaster Course.

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