

Chaplain (LTC) Chan Young Ham



Chaplain Chan Ham is a native of Seoul, Korea. He earned a Master of Divinity and a Master of Theology in Systematic Theology at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California. He served as youth and associate pastor and mission coordinator under Presbyterian churches and endorsed with ECA. Before entering the ministry, Chaplain Ham worked in the business and international trade sector.

He attended 11B OSUT at Ft. Benning, GA, in July 1988. As an Infantry Scout, he served in the 3-17th Infantry Regiment, 7th ID (Light), Fort Ord, and the 160th Long Range Surveillance Detachment (Airborne) in California National Guard from 1988-97.

CH Ham's previous chaplain assignments include:

- USAG Humphreys Deputy Garrison Chaplain, 2024-2025
- Deputy Division/ Acting DIV Chaplain of 2ID/RUCD, Camp Humphreys, ROK.2023-24.
- BDE Chaplain to 2d Security Force Assistance Brigade (SFAB), FBNC, NC 2021-23.
- Command Chaplain to Special Operations Command Korea (SOCKOR) 2018-21.
- Command Chaplain to Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLI) and senior pastor of the DLI/POM chapel, Presidio of Monterey, CA 2016-18.
- Battalion CH, 1-17th Stryker Infantry Regiment, 2d SBCT, 7ID, JBLM, WA 2015-16.
- Battalion CH, Group Support Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (A), JBLM 2012-15.
- Battalion CH, 1-325th Airborne Infantry Regiment and senior pastor of Camp Ramadi, 2d IBCT, 82AD, FBNC 2009-12.
- Battalion CH, 6-37th Field Artillery, 210 FIRES, 2ID, Camp Casey, 2007-09.

As the global response force of 82D Airborne Division, he participated in no-noticed deployments to support Operation Unified Response-Haiti and OEF-Afghanistan. He has deployed to Australia (TS), Egypt (BS), Indonesia (PPW), Kuwait (OND), Iraq (OIF/OND), Panama (OPL), Philippines (OEF-P & PPW), and multi-nations in Africa.

His military education includes the Chaplain Basic and Career Course, ILE, Battle Staff, PLDC, BNCOC, JOTC, Joint Personnel Recovery Course, Theater Special Operations Course and Joint Special Operations Staff Course.

His military awards include the Legion of Merit (2), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2), Meritorious Service Medal (4), Army Commendation Medal (7), Joint Service Achievement Medal (2), Army Achievement Medal (4), Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Ranger Tab. He received the honorable orders of 4CHs, St. Martin, St. Barbara and St. Maurice. He received foreign Parachutist Badges from Australia, Canada, Chile, Egypt, Germany, Korea, Pakistan, and Thailand.

Chan and his wife Jeong Eun have been married for 21 years and have three children, Angeline Yebin, Christine Subin, and Peter Yejun. He is an avid outdoorsman, ultra-runner, and cyclist, researcher of the historical Jesus and intercultural studies. He is a distinguished/life member and chaplain of the 17th INF RGT Association, life member of the 82nd ABN DIV Association, the National Infantry Association, and the Veterans of Foreign War.