



**Office of the Ecclesiastical Endorser (Chaplains)  
The Chaplains Institute for Professional Development  
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The Chaplains Professional Development Institute is configured to provide National Baptist denominational updates concerning polity and practice. The Institute enables each "Professionally Endorsed" Chaplain to receive updated information from the Ecclesiastical Endorser concerning policies and expectations of the denomination.

The Institute presents two seminars each year to sharpen the skills of the Baptist Chaplain and to insure continuity among all chaplains - Military, Veterans Affairs, Jail and Prison, Community, and all agencies that require denominational approval or endorsement.

Participation in the Chaplains Institute is **REQUIRED TRAINING** for all Chaplains endorsed by the Office of the Ecclesiastical Endorser, National Baptist Convention,

USA, Inc. For a waiver of this requirement, Chaplains endorsed by the NBC, USA, Inc. must contact the Endorser's Office via email: [cthomas3787@aol.com](mailto:cthomas3787@aol.com) .

For information concerning the seminar, chaplains may contact either Dr. Charles Thomas (Ecclesiastical Endorser) or Dr. Floyd E. Lacey, Sr. (Seminar Director).

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