

Commissioned Templar Chaplain Program

Unit 12

Revised Chaplain's Job Description

I'll start with the current Grand Lodge of Virginia subordinate lodge chaplain's job description and add to it.

Methodical Digest, **Sec. 2.64. Duties of the Chaplain.** - *When the Lodge is at prayer, the Chaplain shall lead their devotions, and when the Lodge is at refreshment, he shall ask the blessing of God at the tables.*

Additions:

- Theological and Sociology degrees are not required, but certainly could be useful in this position.
- Able to work harmoniously with various monotheistic religions.
- Adept at counseling and defusing interpersonal tensions. Especially in times of sickness and distress.
- Gregarious and able to influence others by example and advice rather than force.
- Trustworthy with respect to the privacy of others. Especially compliant with the the Grand Lodge of Virginia's Social Media, Public Relations and Information Technology Policy.
- Familiar with CAPTA, FERPA, HIPAA, Suicide Prevention and Intervention and safeguarding vulnerable people.

Courteously,
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