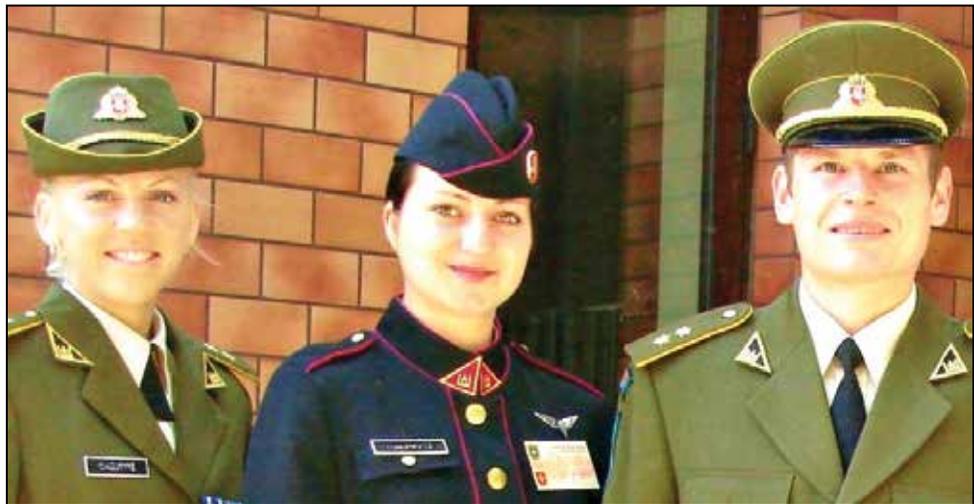


# ACCTS *in action*

**OUR MISSION:** To assist in the development of Christian leaders in the armed forces of the world and in the establishment and growth of military Christian fellowships.

## Now RECRUITING: YOU!

ACCTS has opportunities for people with military experience to join us in ministering to the world's armed forces! These volunteer positions are very flexible – you don't need to relocate, raise large amounts of money, or completely change your life. You can minister part-time or full-time, raise money if needed to carry out ministry responsibilities such as international travel, and (as most of our staff do) work from your current home. If you are interested in either of these two positions listed here, please contact the ACCTS office at 1-800-487-8108 for more information.



**1. Staff Representative(s) for Europe:** Retired or former military individuals/married couples to build relationships with, and minister with and to, military believers in Europe, including AMCF ([www.amcf-int.org](http://www.amcf-int.org)) vice presidents and military Christian fellowship (MCF) heads with the purpose of helping develop military Christian leaders and helping MCFs grow.

**Position Details:** Encourage and help European MCFs and military personnel through personal visits and frequent communication to build up MCFs and their members. Help indigenous leaders plan regional MCF events when requested, and encourage MCFs to make regional and global connections. Be willing to minister to and work with Christians from many different denominations.

**Current Team:** LTC (USA, Ret.) Richard and Linda Barnes, European Ministry Coordinators. You will work closely with the Barneses, other staff members, and AMCF vice presidents. *Continued on page 2*



LTC (USA, Ret.) Richard and Linda Barnes

# Now Recruiting: YOU!

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**Funding:** Self-funding or raise support. You can raise money as needed for ministry expenses (e.g., travel costs) or choose to receive tax receipts for personal expenses.

**Qualifications/ Experience:** Military service (active duty, reserve, military spouse, etc.).



**2. Staff Representative(s) for Latin America:** Retired or former military individuals/couples to build relationships with, and minister with and to, AMCF (www.amcf-int.org) vice presidents, MCF leaders, and others who minister to military believers in the region in order to develop military Christian leaders and help MCFs grow.

**Position Details:** Encourage and help Latin American MCFs and military personnel through personal visits and frequent communication to build up MCFs and their members. Help indigenous leaders plan regional MCF events when requested, and encourage MCFs to make regional and global connections. Provide interpreting/translating English-Spanish and Spanish-English as necessary.

**Current Team:** LTC (USA, Ret.) Bob and Billie Jean Reifsnnyder are ACCTS' Latin American Ministry Leaders. You will work closely with them and the three regional AMCF vice presidents.

**Funding:** Self-funding or raise support. You can raise money as needed for ministry expenses (e.g., travel costs) or choose to receive tax receipts for personal expenses.

**Qualifications/ Experience:** Military service (active duty, reserve, military spouse, etc.). Foreign Language: Spanish and/or Portuguese speaker.



Help us develop Christian leaders in the armed forces of our world!



*LTC (USA, Ret.) Bob and Billie Jean Reifsnnyder*

# Meet the Staff

**Russ Hammerud**  
Special Projects



Russ Hammerud has been a staff member since 1999, ministering first to internationals at the Naval Postgraduate School then to military believers and dependents through English language training and biblical and character-based leadership studies in various countries, including helping lead Interaction-Rocky Mountain High. He has recently begun working in the ACCTS office, helping our deputy director with financial duties and other special projects.

**Emanuela Haien**  
I-RMH Coordinator/Webmaster



Formerly a captain in Albania's military, Emanuela coordinates ACCTS' yearly Interaction-Rocky Mountain High leadership training program for young, international military personnel. She also maintains ACCTS' website, gives technical support, produces the layout for our newsletters, and processes donor gifts.

**Pete and Jacki Prindle**  
Director of Operations



As director of operations, Pete assists the executive director and various staff members with projects such as Chaplains Interaction, staff meeting planning, and future ministry coordination. Pete and Jacki also minister to international military students in Virginia and encourage the training and equipping of Christian military leaders world-wide.

## Ukraine Chaplaincy Update:

In May, military Christians in Ukraine held a three-day conference to assess the first phase of instituting a multi-confessional chaplaincy in Ukraine. The group also discussed new opportunities and prospects for the creation of a multi-confessional chaplaincy service with the national police, and the initiation of a full-time multi-confessional chaplaincy at military medical hospitals. Please continue to pray for everyone involved in this process, asking that God help them gain a thorough perspective on the various roles of chaplaincy. Ask that Ukrainian church leaders and military and government officials be receptive to using chaplains within the Ukrainian uniformed services.

## June Ministry Events:

**Exploration Asia – Japan and China:** Helping West Point cadets learn to integrate their faith with their military career and develop a vision for international military ministry.

**Military Evangelistic Outreach, South Korea:** Leadership training for military Christians (Mission Support Organization program with ACCTS participation).

**PSO Meeting, South Korea:** Ministry planning meeting with AMCF's three primary support organizations – ACCTS, MMI (UK), and Mission Support Organization (S. Korea).

**Leadership Training, China:** Character-based leadership training in several locations.

**Interaction-Rocky Mountain High, Colorado:** Leadership training for young, international military personnel.



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# ACCTS Prayer Reminder

June 2016

“In prayer, it is better to have a heart without words than words without heart.”

-- John Bunyan



**1** Pray with military Christians in Canada as they develop local MCF (military Christian fellowship) groups in selected regions across Canada. Pray also as their leadership team develops a Concept of Operations, which will provide guidance for all their local groups and church partners.

**2** Tomorrow, staff member Rick Ryles leads an Exploration Asia trip to Japan and China. The group includes West Point cadets and other ACCTS staff members. Pray that this trip would be a life-changing experience for the cadets and those they meet – both Christian and non-Christian military personnel -- in both nations.

**3** Praise God for military believers in Finland, and pray for them today on their national Defense Force Day.

**4** Our partner ministry, Military Ministries International (MMI) in the U.K., holds its prayer day today. Additionally, they are hosting a course for military Christians from 4- 10 June, with participants expected from Africa and India. Please pray for MMI and all their ministries.

**5** Pray for nations which used to have thriving military Christian fellowships but which need to be re-started.

**6** Please pray with us in our ongoing work to cre-

ate self-supporting, indigenously-organized military Christian fellowships. Pray that these MCFs will thrive, with active-duty leaders and members who can help them connect to their armed forces.

**7** The French Christian Military Association (UMCF) celebrates its 30th anniversary this year! Praise God for their ministries, which include mobilizing prayer meetings (called Coeurs en Berne – “Hearts at Half-mast”) when a French military member has fallen. Pray for God to continue to use UMCF members to bring Christ’s hope to their nation.

**8** Belize’s society is very diverse, with many cultures and languages. The nation’s military and police forces work against narcotics trafficking and face dangers associated with that fight. Pray with military believers especially, upholding them as they carry out their daily duties.

**9** Earlier this year, the MCF of Burundi, CMCB, held seminars for military Christians in various regions, including one at the military academy. Praise God for the work these believers are doing for Christ, and pray for them as they continue to share the good news of His redemption.

**10** Pray that military believers in Nicaragua will have wisdom as they serve their nation while living out their faith in Christ.

**11** Please continue to pray with everyone who is part of this month's Exploration Asia outreach program (see Day 2). Pray for their safety and wisdom in all they do.

**12** Pray for God's direction as ACCTS staff members plan future programs for young military believers world-wide.

**13** Pray for military Christians in Jordan as they continue to faithfully serve Christ as minorities in their nation.

**14** Pray with AMCF Vice President Bostrom and Grozdan Stoevski as they minister to military believers in Greece, Bulgaria, and Albania this month.

**15** Uphold in prayer ACCTS' leaders, including Phil Exner, Bernhard Kaltenbach, and Ward Bursley.

**16** Give praise for the dedication of AMCF President General Srilal Weerasooriya and his wife Dilhani. Pray with them as they serve Christ and tell others about the work that military Christians are doing world-wide.

**17** Staff member Noel Dawes will help lead a training workshop from 17-18 June for people who minister to veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Please pray for the participants and leaders of this workshop.

**18** The Armed Forces Christian Union (AFCU) in the UK hosts a regional ministry day today to encourage fellowship and prayer. Pray for those who will attend, and pray for all of the AFCU's ministries this summer.

**19** In May there was a conference in Ukraine to assess the first phase of instituting a multi-confessional chaplaincy. Pray with all the Ukrainian believers who are working on this, asking God to continue to guide them and give them unity.

**20** Military Evangelistic Outreach (MEO), an event hosted by our partner organization in South Korea, Mission Support Organisation, starts today. Pray that participants will be greatly impacted by the training and experience they receive so that they can better help their military Christian fellowships (MCFs) disciple their own armed forces to grow in spiritual maturity. Pray also for two ACCTS staff members who will participate in MEO.

**21** Pray for U.S. military Christians and the organizations that minister to them. Ask for wisdom and guidance from the Lord for military personnel and their families.

**22** Indigenous military Christians can minister where people from outside their country cannot go. They have access to more military places and people by the very nature of their jobs. Pray that God will continue to guide us to military believers around the world so that His kingdom will grow through local Christians.

**23** Pray with the young, international military participants of ACCTS' Interaction-Rocky Mountain High, who will be leaving their nations in the next few days to take part in this leadership training program. Pray that the Holy Spirit will prepare their hearts to learn all the lessons God has for them.

**24** Pray for preparations for Chaplains Interaction, which will take place in October in the San Antonio region.

**25** Today, please continue for all participants of MEO (see Day 20). Ask that the Spirit guide and direct their learning and interactions with each other.

**26** Today is Armed Forces Day in Azerbaijan. Pray for military Christians in this nation, which has laws and policies that limit religious freedom. These laws are especially troubling to Christians in the armed forces who are employed by their nation.

**27** Today, leaders from AMCF's three primary support organizations -- ACCTS, Military Ministries International (UK), and Mission Support Organization (South Korea) -- meet to discuss joint ministry plans. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide this meeting.

**28** Pray with military believers in Djibouti as they serve God and their country. Djibouti is also a temporary home to many international soldiers -- it hosts France's largest African military base, the U.S.A's only permanent base in Africa, and bases for China and Japan. Pray for all military personnel in this strategic nation.

**29** Pray with ACCTS staff members who are ministering in one way or another to citizens in China, including Carson and Wendy Tavenner, Cal and Michelle Dunlap, Russ Hammerud, Jodie Wang, and Ed Ward. Policies toward Christians in this vast nation have changed recently, affecting how both indigenous Chinese Christians and Christians from other nations live and work.

**30** Interaction-Rocky Mountain High starts today! Please uphold in prayer the international participants and leaders, asking God to keep them safe and give them hearts ready to learn what He has for them.