### General Organizational Resources/Support

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<td>Re-integration/PTSD</td>
<td><em>Hearts Toward Home International</em>, a non-profit providing support, counseling, training, education. Classes, materials, re-integration workshops/forums for military personnel (active duty and veterans) and their families after wartime Service: <a href="http://www.heartstowardhome.com">www.heartstowardhome.com</a></td>
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<td>Outreach to Vets and Families</td>
<td><em>National BeFriender Ministry</em>. Contact Barb Schwery about partnering pastoral care with outreach to military families 952-767-0246 or <a href="mailto:barb@befrienderministry.org">barb@befrienderministry.org</a></td>
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| Care Team Ministry Supporting Families | *Presbyterian Health Network (PHN)*  
[www.pcusa.org/phewa/phn.htm](http://www.pcusa.org/phewa/phn.htm)  
[www.pcusa.org/peacemaking/iraq/remember.htm](http://www.pcusa.org/peacemaking/iraq/remember.htm) |
| Veterans Ministry                | *Coming Home Collaborative* Amy Blumenshine 612-871-2967  
listentovets@comcast.net (E-mail newsletter and updates on vets ministry events; Annotated bibliography of books, materials, online video/audio clip) |
| Pastoral Care Info               | *Presbyterian Association of Specialized Pastoral Ministries (PASPM)*  
[www.pcusa.org/phewa/paspm](http://www.pcusa.org/phewa/paspm)  
http://caringconnectionsonline.org  
An Inter-Lutheran Online Journal for Practitioners and Teachers of Pastoral Care and Counseling  
[www.mpls-synod.org](http://www.mpls-synod.org)  
Click on “Healing Wounds of War” for additional links |
[www.militarychild.org](http://www.militarychild.org)  
[www.operationmilitarykids.org](http://www.operationmilitarykids.org)  
[http://www.k12.wa.us/operationmilitarykids](http://www.k12.wa.us/operationmilitarykids) |
| Active Duty Military             | *Military One Source*. Highly trained and caring consultants provide information, referrals and support to active duty service members and their families. Free/private 24/7 1-800-342-9647  
[www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com) |
| Presbyterian Military Chaplains  | *Presbyterian Council For Chaplains and Military Personnel*  
Edward Brogan, Director.  
[www.pccmp.org](http://www.pccmp.org)  202-244-4177 |
| Post-traumatic Stress Disorder: Worship Resources and Educational Information | *Calvin Institute of Christian Worship*: Resources especially for those who suffer from PTSD (Psalms for Those Under Stress, Prayers for Use for Those Who Are Hurting, Devotional Books)  
PTSD Prayer Request List  
PTSD and Veterans: Suggestions for Pastors
http://www.calvin.edu/worship/resources/ptsd/pastors.php

Vital Worship Feature Stories: Becoming a Veteran-friendly Church: Pacifists Can Do This Too.

Selected Articles

Presbyterians Today
Recent articles:
Jan/Feb 2010 in the News Section (pg 31) “…Congregations urged to pray and care for soldiers and their families (Ft Hood Shootings)”


November 2008 (pp 14-18). “Taking the Word to the War Zone”

Tom Williams
“Ministry on the Homefront: Milwaukee Presbytery explores outreach to soldiers, veterans, and their families”
http://www.pcusa.org/pcnews/2008/08381.htm

Ken Moe
2005 paper as Executive Presbyter’s Report to the Presbytery of the Grand Canyon on the topic of church’s ministry to veterans

Mark Koenig
Blog of 9/15/08 that includes information about weekend workshops for veterans.

Hershel Don Yancey
“Ministry to Military Families in Our Communities: Caring for Those Who Keep Us Free”
http://www.pcusa.org/ministers/militarytomilitary.htm

Washington State Family Policy Council
“Welcome Home! How to Make a Difference in the Lives of Returning War Zone Veterans” (Article about 3 Levels of Transition, Helping Whole Families, Understanding PTSD in the Family, Strategies for Family, Friends and Neighbors, Employees, Clergy and Faith Leaders, Lawyers and Judges, Fellow Veterans, Educators, Health Care Providers, Social Service Providers, Media, and First Responders, Government Responsibilities, 8 Battlefield Skills That Make Life in the Civilian World Challenging.
www.fpc.wa.gov (Publications menu then Education)1-360-902-7880

Selected Book/DVD Resources


**When Duty Calls: A Guide to Equip Active Duty, Guard, and Reserve Personnel and Their Loved Ones For Military Separations.** (2001) Carol Vandesteeg (Enumclaw, WA:WinePress Publishing ) Practical advice for nearly every situation a military family faces. Sections on “reunion” and “Some Don’t Return” are particularly helpful for those who must deal with the trauma of military service.


**Coming Home A Guide for Spouses of Service members Returning from Mobilization/Deployment**
Available from the Department of the Army, Office of the Chief of Chaplains, 2700 Army Pentagon, Washington D.C. 20310-2700

**A Call to Prayer for a Nation at War: Prayers of Blessing and Protection for Those Who Serve** (Lakeland, FL: White Stone Books, 2003). More than 40 meaningful prayers are provided for a variety of circumstances.

**Coming Home: Supporting Your Soldier.** (DVD or VHS) Produced by Twin Cities Public Television and NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness- MN). Order from [www.namimn.org](http://www.namimn.org) or 651-645-2948