

## Common Pressures Faced By the Military Family



- Decreasing overall size of the U.S. Military
- Increased number and length of world-wide military commitments
- Frequent change of location
- Busy training Schedule
- Frequent family separations
- Anxiety concerning deployed loved ones
- High divorce rate
- Lonliness

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MILITARY!**

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# BMFP MILITARY MINISTRIES

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# U.S. MILITARY - A MISSION FIELD?

Stationed throughout the United States and around the world are more than a million American men and women serving on active duty in the U.S. military. Living aboard ships and on military compounds and bases, these men and women literally form "POCKETS" of people who, being out of sight, become forgotten people.

**BAPTIST MISSION TO FORGOTTEN PEOPLES** is deeply concerned for these "POCKET" people in the military. Our concern is generated by The Word of God which declares : Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature". (Mark 16: 15) Certainly this command includes the U.S. military "pockets" of people.

**BMFP** missionaries are available to speak to our military personnel whenever they have off duty time. God's love for them is declared and they are encouraged to respond and make heaven their future home.



The Spiritual well being of our military demands that **BMFP** missionaries be concerned for them and committed to meeting their spiritual needs.

Accompanying the active duty men and women are many spouses and their children. Some of these families will live in the civilian community, but most will live in government housing. The result is the formation of their own little community, or pocket, of people with its own culture and distinct problem areas.

These military families are living outside of their natural environment. They are away from parents, relatives, and friends. They face difficult decisions and lengthy separations due to military commitments. They are in need of someone to help and provide them with proper direction. They need someone .....someone who cares.



**BMFP** missionaries plant churches near military bases where they strive to minister to the military and their dependents. The church becomes the center of activity for both their spiritual and social life.

The church is not always able to meet the needs of the single person in the military due to their sporadic hours. To meet these specific needs some of our missionaries have established Service Center ministries where they are able to cater to the needs of this group of our military.

The Service Center is a ministry that is flexible and is available whenever the military person is available. It is a preaching station where the gospel is regularly preached and a systematic discipleship program is maintained.

Military personnel are taught to be disciplined, dependable, and diligent. Therefore, upon receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and learning what the Lord commands and expects, the military person is apt to obey. This is evident by the hundreds who have been saved while on active duty and have gone on to become pastors, missionaries and full time Christian workers around the world.

