



JOINT TASK FORCE CIVIL SUPPORT **CHAPLAIN'S RESILIENCY MESSAGE / 14 MAY 2015**

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Resiliency is Living with Perspective and Focus

It was a beautiful day at Camp Atterbury Saturday morning May 9, 2015. The dust had settled and we were all heading safely or would soon be heading safely for HS/HOR. The exercise was mission complete, now behind though more training and learning lay ahead. Learning is indeed an ongoing and life-long process. Yesterday, I took a step or two back to specifically reflect on the training, participation, cross-section involvement, mission goals and objectives, what I had learned and what I had not learned.

During the endeavor of mission success which revolves around people, processes and performance we must adapt and overcome to accomplish this end goal. We may even get off track and/or miss the training objective occasionally; the right and only response is to keep pursuing excellence/pressing on to meet objectives. It sometimes takes GOD to get us "back in line" and "turned around" once again when we may "ease up" a bit or "get off track." Though we strive for best performance, we must admit and accept when we fall short. By doing so, we are able to reflect, assess, adapt and overcome. May we also focus on the eternal aspects of people, processes and performance. My humble prayer to GOD is and must always be, "may others see YOU through me."

Reflecting upon the people, processes and performance during VR 15, I encourage you to take a step back and review all of it: what you learned, what you did not learn and how you will build upon and sharpen your knowledge, skills and abilities. I am sure we all agree that the growth and learning are huge "outcomes" derived from VR 15. For me, another valuable bullet-point from the AAR is: "thick-skinned = professional growth" and how true this is.

I face this wonderful day knowing, "I'm alive, yes I'm alive because He lives." I trust that your Mother's Day weekend was enjoyable wherever and however you spent it and many blessings to each of you for this week and the upcoming weekend!

Pro Deo et Patria,

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