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Lieutenant Munoz serves as the Group Chaplain for Marine Air Craft Group 11, Third Marine Air Wing; Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Ca.

Chaplain Munoz was born on 29 June 1958 in Holguin, Cuba, and was raised in Miami, Chicago and Los Angeles. He enlisted in the Navy in July 1976 and completed Navy Recruit Training in San Diego. After completion of Hospital Corpsman School at Balboa Naval Hospital, he went on to Field Medical Service School at Camp Pendleton. He was assigned to the 1st Marine Division in March of 1977. In July of 1978 he reported to the Naval Regional Medical Center in Oakland for training as a Laboratory Technician. Following completion of training he reported for duty to 3rd FSSG in December of 1978. He was assigned to 3d Medical Battalion, at Camp Courtney. Chaplain Munoz served at the Branch Medical Clinic and participated in various exercises and a unit deployment to South Korea in connection with Team Spirit 79. In December 1979, Chaplain Munoz was transferred to the Naval Regional Medical Center Okinawa where he served in the Laboratory until the end of his enlistment in April of 1980.

In the Fall of 1980, Chaplain Munoz began studies in Philosophy and Theology at Loyola Marymount University. Upon completion of his Bachelor's in Theology, he went on to the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley for a year of graduate studies completing his M.A. in Theology from Mt. St. Mary's College in Los Angeles. Chaplain Munoz worked extensively for 12 years in Los Angeles area Catholic High Schools and parishes as a Theology and Ethics Teacher and Youth Minister. In 1992 he was received into the Episcopal Church and began the process towards the priesthood and completed a Certificate in Anglican Studies at the Episcopal Theological School at Claremont.

Upon ordination in July of 1996, he was called to be the Assistant to the Dean of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Miami. While there he led the Diocese in the development and growth of Hispanic Ministry, establishing five new missions and creating a Pastoral Ministry Institute for lay ministers. In 1999 he was called as Rector and Headmaster of All Angels Church and School in Miami Springs, FL. Among his many accomplishments during his four years, was the founding and the building of a parish pre-k-through eighth grade school, called All Angels Academy.

In 2003 he accepted an appointment as a Navy Chaplain and served as the Battalion Chaplain for Third Recruit Training Battalion at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. In October 2006 he went on to be the Command Chaplain of the USS JUNEAU (LPD-10) and USS DENVER (LPD-9).

Chaplain Munoz also holds a Masters in Management from National University and is a graduate of the Naval War College Command and Staff Program earning the JMPE 1 credit. Chaplain Munoz's personal decorations include the Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2 awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Chaplain Munoz is married to the former Estella P. Gonzalez of Los Angeles, CA. They live in San Diego, California with their 15 year old daughter Jacquilene.

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