The Venerable Clinton M Langston QHC Chaplain-General and Archdeacon for the Army



Ordained Deacon in 1990 and Priest in 1991 Padre Langston completed his first 4 years of ministry in a civilian parish in Birmingham. In 1994 he joined the RAChD and moved with his family to Germany to serve with the Light Dragoons. 1996 saw him deploy to Bosnia, Sarajevo to serve with 7 Signal Regiment. In 1998 he deployed with his family to Omagh, Northern Ireland for a 2 year tour. Following 3 years at ATR Lichfield (2000 – 2003) he moved to Germany as Senior Chaplain 4 Armd Bde. This post saw a 6 month deployment to Iraq as Joint Force Senior Chaplain (a Tri-Service operational role).

Returning on promotion to UK in 2006 he was assigned Senior Chaplain 15 (NE) Bde which included responsibility for Regular, Reserve, Army Cadet Force and Officiating Chaplains to the Military. In 2008 he was back in the operational arena as Staff Chaplain at the Permanent Joint HQ. This was again a Tri-Service post responsible to the 3 Chaplaincy HoCs for chaplaincy delivery in HERRICK, TELIC, the Falkland Islands, Cyprus, Gibraltar and chaplaincy for seaborne operations.

After a 2 year tour of duty he went to London District as Senior Chaplain to the Household Division and Senior Chaplain of the Guards' Chapel. In 2012 he was posted to HQ SCHINF as the Senior Chaplain ARTD (North). 2014 saw him promoted to CF1 and moving to HQ ARTD as the Assistant Chaplain General. He continued as Assistant Chaplain-General in 3(UK) Division from July 2015 and in May 2017 he was promoted to DCG at Army HQ. In July 2017 he was collated by the Archbishop of Canterbury to the office of Archdeacon to the Army when he took the title Venerable. In December 2018 he was promoted to Chaplain General.

Padre Langston's interests include Golf, Ballroom and Latin dancing, hill walking and life coaching.