

## **Bishop Devid Bena**

David Bena is a bishop for the Convocation of Anglicans in North America, serving oversight for churches all over the nation. He is a native of Schuylerville, New York and has degrees from Stetson University, Virginia Theological Seminary and the Graduate Theological Foundation.

Bishop Bena's military career began when he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. Serving on active duty for five years and as a reserve officer for four years, he flew 252 bombing missions in the Vietnam War, in North Vietnam, South Vietnam and Laos. After being ordained into the Episcopal Church. Bena served churches in North Carolina and Texas before being recalled to active duty as an Air Force chaplain. His assignments with the Air Force took him around the world in a number of settings. He retired from the Armed Forces in 1992.

Because of his own combat experience, Bishop Bena has a desire to assist combat veterans as they struggle with the trauma of war. So he is very excited about being involved with the Welcome Home Initiative.

David has been married to Mary Ellen for over forty years. The couple has three children and four grandchildren.