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**The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Florida, Incorporated**

OFFICE OF

Most Worshipful James A. Parker 33°, Grand Master



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“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron’s beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountain of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.” Psalms 133

Proclamation #11

To: The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Senior and Junior Grand Wardens. To all other Grand Lodge Officers both elected and appointed. To all Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters; Honorary Past Grand Masters; Worshipful Masters; Past Masters; Wardens, Grand Lodge Life Members and Brethren comprising the constituency of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Masonic Jurisdiction of the State of Florida; and

To the Grand Patron and Grand Matron of the Royal Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Chapter; the Most Worthy Grand Joshua and Most Ancient Grand Matron, United Grand Court, Heroines of Jericho; to The Grand Eminent Commander of the Order of the Knights Templar of the State of Florida, the Grand Ambassador and the Grand Lady Chief Counselor, Bessie E. Pierce Grand Council, Lady of Knights; the Grand Inspector General; To the Illustrious State Grand Potentate, Arabic Grand Council, AAONMS, the Illustrious State Patron and the State President of Al-Shiah Council of Grand Courts of Deliberation, Daughters of Sphinx; and to the Grand Youth Advisors of the National Order of Trailmasters and the Order of Sunbeams.

Greetings:

I would like to thank our Grand Architect of the Universe for all that He has done, is doing, and will do in each of our lives. It was exciting and exhilarating to see so many brothers and sisters coming back together in person again to attend the 113th Grand Communication after being suspended for two years because of the coronavirus. In the midst of the social injustice, systemic racism, and coronavirus pandemics we have not only survived but strived because of your cooperation and compliance with our safety protocol. I would like to thank each brother for the faith and confidence that you have placed in me by re-electing me as your Grand Master. I am humbly thankful, grateful, and honored to serve as your Grand Master. I am committed to working tirelessly to uphold the honor and respect of this office and The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Florida, Incorporated. I also extend my

congratulations to all the re-elected and newly elected Grand Lodge Officers and The Officers of our Cognate Branches. Congratulations to our 2022 Grand Lodge Award Recipients: Lodge of the Year, Okeechobee Lodge #54; District Deputy Grand Master of the Year, Bro. Shannon R. Flowers 33°; Master Mason of the Year, Bro. Alfonzie Brown; and Grand Master's Cup Award Bro. Arthur Jones.

Whereas: Pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws thereof: to wit, Article III, the following Officers were both elected and installed on Wednesday April 17, 2022, for the ensuing Masonic year.

Bro. James A. Parker 33°	Most Worshipful Grand Master
Bro. Raymond Higgins 33°	Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master
Bro. Arthur L. Jones 33°	Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden
Bro. Milton Baker 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden
Bro. Vaughn Jenkins 33°	Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer
Bro. Alexander H. Smith 33°/96°	Right Worshipful Grand Secretary
Bro. Jesse Barge 33°	Right Worshipful MBF Treasurer
Bro. James Sanders 33°	Right Worshipful MBF Secretary
Bro. Shannon R. Flowers	Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain
Bro. Alexander Barton	Right Worshipful Grand Tyler

And: By the power and authority in me vested as Most Worshipful Grand Master, I, James A. Parker 33°, do hereby appoint the following worthy brothers to serve for the ensuing year:

Bro. Charles E. Davis, 32°	Right Worshipful Territorial Grand Master
Bro. James L. Porter, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Marshall
Bro. Leonard Johnson	Right Worshipful Asst. Grand Marshall
Bro. Dorsey Hutchinson, 33°	Right Worshipful Grand Senior Deacon
Bro. Kelvin Spencer, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Junior Deacon
Bro. Lamar Donaldson, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Senior Steward
Bro. Cobbin McGee, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Junior Steward
Bro. James F. Jones, 32°	Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Chaplain
Bro. Jimmie D. Howard, 32°	Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Chaplain
Bro. David C. Mack II, 32°	Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Chaplain
Bro. John E. Brown	Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Secretary
Bro. William C. Barnes Jr.	Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Secretary
Bro. Ronnie Jones	Right Worshipful Grand Standard Bearer
Bro. Leonard Pollard, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Sword Bearer
Bro. Robert L. Hall Jr., 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Flag Bearer
Bro. Joe Adams, 33°	Right Worshipful Grand Architect
Bro. Willie Clark, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Worthy Patron
Bro. Willie J. Dennis, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Associate Patron
Bro. Ronnie Robinson, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Sentinel
Bro. Willie Haulstead, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Youth Director
Bro. James T. Golden, Esq.	Right Worshipful Grand Counselor
Bro. Lafayette Dowdell, 33°	Right Worshipful Grand Parliamentarian
Bro. Robert Nevins, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer
Bro. Ransford Jones, 32°	Right Worshipful Grand Historian
Bro. Albert Page	Right Worshipful Grand Photographer
Bro. (T. B. A.)	Right Worshipful Grand Webmaster

Grand Lodge Trustees

R.W. James L. Porter, 32°
R.W. Charles Davis, 32°

M.W. Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°

R.W. Anthony Salary, 32°
(T.B.A.)

Council of Past Grand Masters

P.G.M. W. L. Campbell, 33°
P.G.M. C. Brian Hart, 33°

P.G.M. Kenneth M. Yates, 33° P.G.M. Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°
P.G.M. Kenneth C. Holley, 33° P.G.M. Mark S. Jordan Sr., 33°

Education and Youth Directors

R.W. Arthur Jones, 32°
R.W. Willie Haulstead, 32°

R.W. Dorsey Hutchinson, 33°

R.W. Markice Hayes
M.W. Alexander Smith, 33°/96°

District Deputy Grand Masters

District #1

R.W. Sylvester Gainey, 33°

R.W. Jimmie Witherspoon, 33°

R.W. David Mack, 33°

District #2

R.W. Earl Robertson

R.W. Shannon R. Flowers, 32°

District #3

R.W. Alvin Dozier, 33°

R.W. James Helm, 33°

R.W. Walter H. Cason, 33°

District #4

R.W. Joe Adams, 33°

R.W. Alvin Kilgore Sr.

District #5

R.W. Gregory L. Dunton II, 33°

District #6

R.W. Johnnie L. Adams, 32°

District #7

R.W. Alfonzie Brown, 33°

District #8

R.W. Willie Haulstead, 32°

District #9

R.W. Paul Fields, 32°

District #10

R.W. Robert Nevins, 32°

R.W. Willie Griffin, 32°

R.W. Charles Davis, 32°

Be It Known: That to date, the fully paid Grand Lodge Life Members are: Joshua D. Scruggs, James A. Curley, Sr. William Richardson, Phillip L. Hardeman, C. Brian Hart, Burley Adams, Jimmy I. Johnson, Harold Lee, Julius B. Gordon, William I. Bradley, Joe Adams, Bobby R. Henry, Sr. Alfonzie Brown, Earnest Graham, Arthur Ward, Albert Moore, Jr., Charles E. Davis, Willie Dennis, Andrew Motley, Jeffery D. Gordon, Jr., Lester H. Wilson, Jr. Leonard Pollard, Bernard D. Adams, Kenneth C. Holley, James A. Parker, James Porter, Alexander H. Smith, Clifford Hughley, James A. Curley, Jr., Douglas Harrell, Mark S. Jordan, Sr., James McCrae, Davy Harmon, Milton

Baker, Sr., James F. Jones, Leonard T. Johnson, Ransford Jones, Tremaine Johnson, Walter Collins, Arthur Jones, John Daley, Les R. Hewitt, Keith C. Holmes, Louis Desamour, Robert B. Walker, Melvin C. Butts, and Leonard Brown. Additionally, there are several Brothers that are currently making partial payments towards their Life Membership. Those that are still considering and are interested in participating in the program are encouraged to enroll and the new fee as of January 1, 2015, is set at \$1,500.00.

Please be advised that the cost for the Life Membership increased to \$1,500.00 effective January 1, 2015 and all payment plans totaling less than \$1,500.00 has expired because of the year term limit.

Let It Be Known: That each Subordinate Lodge is required to celebrate Saint John the Baptist Day on or as close as possible to the 24th day of June. I am requesting that this celebration take place in a church or lodge hall. Please take pictures for our history book. Also, each Worshipful Master is reminded to have your Secretary report \$3.00 for each member on your roster for Saint John's Day Tax. This should be mailed to: M.W. Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°, Grand Secretary:

Most Worshipful Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°, Past Grand Master/Grand Secretary
569 Strathclyde Court; Apopka, Florida 32712 Email: smithcongress@aol.com
Cell: (407) 721- 4759 Fax: (407) 889-9082

Let It Also Be Known: That The Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Masons of Florida, and Companion Adnes D. Bronson, 33°, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, announces that the Annual Zerubbabel Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, July 9, 2022, at the Grand East Temple, 1199 Bruton Boulevard, Orlando, Florida. The Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Chapter and The United Grand Court Heroines of Jericho sessions starts at 8:30 A.M., and the Zerubbabel Day Religious Service will begin immediately after the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge and Royal Grand Chapter Quarterly Session.

Let It Also Be Further Known: The First Quarterly Session of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge will be held on Saturday, July 9, 2022, at the Grand East Temple, 1199 Bruton Boulevard, Orlando, Florida. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the One Day Session of The Most Excellent Prince Hall Holy Grand Royal Arch Chapter and the United Grand Court, Heroines of Jericho. The Royal Arch Session will start at 8:30 A.M. The Grand Lodge First Quarterly Session will commence at 1:00 P.M. on Saturday July 9, 2022, at the Grand East Temple, 1199 Bruton Boulevard, Orlando, Florida.

Be It Known: That each District is responsible for organizing their own initiation team to initiate and raise candidates for all lodges in their district under the supervision of their District Deputy Grand Masters. Worshipful Masters with candidates must contact District Deputy Grand Masters to schedule and coordinate their initiations. Individual lodges cannot hold their own initiations, passings and/or raisings at this time and until further notice. All initiations, in all houses must comply with the guidelines and protocol provided by their committee and the Grand Lodge at this time and under the supervision of a District Deputy.

Furthermore, Let It Also Be Known: That The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge and The Royal Grand Chapter Renovation Project Committee's Fundraisers obtained funds to make urgent needed repairs on our Grand East State Building, in Orlando Florida. I would like to thank those Chapters, Lodges, Sisters and Brothers that supported our efforts to renovate and restore our aged 65-year-old historical building. I am extremely grateful and appreciative to Grand Worthy Matron Vernalee Bickerstaff and the Royal Grand Chapter that stepped up to make our restoration project a success. I also would like to thank our fantastic brothers and sisters that contributed \$500.00, \$1,000.00, and \$3,000.00 to support our efforts to achieve our goal and made these fundraisers a success.

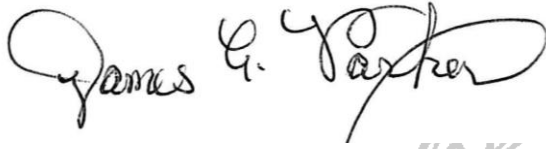
Finally: We must continue to put God first in all that we do then “We can do all things through Christ that strengthens us.” We must continue to strive for excellence, for the principles of Brotherly Love, Truth and Relief. Therefore, be encouraged, remain vigilant in the performance of your duties and faithful to maintaining the practice of Free Masonry.

“Trust In The Lord With All Thine Heart And Lean Not Unto Thine Own Understanding; In all thine ways, acknowledge Him and He will direct thy path.” Proverbs 3:5-6

Done this Fifteenth Day of June, in the year of Our Lord 2022, A.D., 6022 A.L., in the City of Ocoee, County of Orange, and the State of Florida.

By the authority vested in me, I have caused the seal of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge to be hereto affixed.

Attest:



James A. Parker



Alexander H. Smith

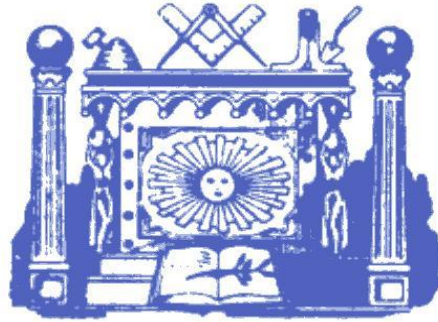
Most Worshipful James A. Parker, 33°
Grand Master

Most Worshipful Alexander H. Smith, 33°/96°
Grand Secretary



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GRAND LODGE LIFE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM



The implementation of this Grand Lodge Life Membership Program will potentially provide much needed income for the Grand Lodge. Additionally, it would grant a special level of recognition for those persons that purchase a Life Membership. Participation in this Program means that you will no longer be required to pay any Grand Lodge dues or assessments for the remainder of your life. Even if Grand Lodge dues and/or assessments are increased. Life Members will not be affected by the increase. They **will not** be required to make any additional payments.

Life Members will still be required to pay their MBF dues. The Life Membership ONLY pertains to your Grand Lodge dues and assessments. Additionally, local Lodge dues payments are still a requirement, and are to be paid as usual.

Everyone is encouraged to consider becoming a Life Member. However, if you do not, you will continue to pay your monthly/yearly Grand Lodge dues just as you are currently doing.

The benefits to the persons purchasing a Grand Lodge Life Membership are:

- ❖ Will no longer be required to pay monthly/yearly Grand Lodge dues or assessments.
- ❖ Will be issued a specially designed Life Membership Pin/Coat Lapel, an engraved plaque, a specially designed Grand Lodge Life Membership Card, their name engraved and displayed on a monument in the Grand East building, and the Life Membership is transferable... in other words even if you demit to another lodge...your Life Membership privileges transfer with you.

The cost of Grand Lodge Life Membership will be \$1,500.00. Should you choose to become a Grand Lodge Life Member you will have two (2) payment options to select from:

Option #1 Full payment in one lump sum in the amount of \$1,500.00. This amount must be paid on or before November of the year in which you enrolled in the program.

Option #2 Payment of the \$1,500.00 on a quarterly basis. Quarterly payments would be in the amount of \$375.00 every four months. The last quarterly payment must be received no later than December of the year in which you enrolled in the program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President of the General Grand Masonic Congress proclaim July 14, 2022, through July 23, 2022 as the dates for The General Grand Masonic Congress to be held at The Little Rock Marriott Hotel, 3 Statehouse Plaza, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. Monday, July 18, 2022, is designated as the official opening date of said Session for the Congress. All Master Masons in attendance are requested to pre-register with rates according to "The Package." The cost of the Package shall be Three hundred and sixty dollars (\$360.00). No registration badges will be issued except within The Package, NO EXCEPTIONS!!! Remember all Master Masons must register, even those attending meetings of other Houses. Your badges are to be worn prominently on your person at all times during the Session (Congress, Royal Arch, Knight Templar and Supreme Council). Your individual package will contain Souvenir Book and your Registration Badge will be used for admission to the following events: Trailmasters/Sunbeam Luncheon, Black and White Ball, 101st Biennial Session Banquet, Grand Matrons Luncheon and Grand Masters Luncheon. The appropriate dress for specific events is as follows: Congress Session: Black suit, black bow tie, white shirt, black socks and shoes, proper Masonic regalia and badge. Trailmasters Session: White shirt, black trousers, black bow tie, and black socks and shoes. Trailmasters Luncheon: Same as Trailmasters Session. 100th Biennial Session Banquet: Platinum and Blue Black and White Ball: Black and or White Formal Attire. Divine Service: Full Masonic Attire as for Congress Session. Arkansas State Prayer Breakfast: Green and Gold: Cost \$50.00; Grand Matrons Luncheon: Full Masonic Attire without Apron; Grand Masters Luncheon: Full Masonic Attire without Apron Arkansas State Banquet: Red and Gold: Semi-formal Attire: Cost \$65.00

The official Headquarters for this session shall be The Little Rock Marriott in Little Rock, AR, 3 Statehouse Plaza, Little Rock, AR 72201, (888) 236-2427. Please make all reservations before April 2, 2022. The room rates shall be \$125 per night for single or double occupancy. *Reservations for suites can be made but will not be guaranteed by the hotel until approved by the President. The current tax rate is 15% and is subject to change and applicable to the room rate. One night's room and tax are considered to be a non-refundable deposit and will be required per reservation. Upon check-in the hotel will reconfirm your departure dates. Any adjustments to the departure date can be made at that time. After the departure date adjustments are made, shorten lengths of stay, thereafter, will result in an early departure fee of \$75 and will be charged to the guest's individual account. There will be a charge of \$22.00 for guest's overnight valet parking. Day use of the valet parking services is normally \$15.00 per day (including tax). Individuals are responsible to pay any increase. Additional offsite self-parking is available at the Second & Main Parking Garage, which is operated by the City of Little Rock and located two blocks from the hotel.

The Little Rock Marriott does have an airport shuttle service provided to and from the Airport. You may call the Marriott for transportation. In addition, you may contact The M.W. Hiram of Tyre Grand Lodge (AR) Convention Committee in advance to determine if additional transportation will be provided from and to the Airport. Additional information will be provided by the State of Arkansas under a separate document.

The health and safety of our brothers, sisters and guests are a top priority. In any public gathering, there is an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19. Leadership believes that it is important to provide relevant information and allow each person to make an informed decision on attendance based on their individual needs, concerns, and expectations. All conference attendees assume those risks in their entirety. Furthermore, all attendees must follow the conditions outlined as well as any policies set forth by relevant governments and the Marriott Hotel and Convention Center. It is recommended that all attendees be vaccinated. If you have not been vaccinated or have knowingly been exposed to COVID-19, you must have a negative COVID-19 test 48 hours prior to attending the conference with proper documentation. Please feel free to bring your vaccination record with you to the session. If you are sick or experiencing

any COVID-19 symptoms, please do not attend the Supreme Session. In accordance with CDC guidance updated on July 28, 2021, it is recommended that people (regardless of vaccination status) wear a mask and maintain personal protective equipment (PPE) in public indoor settings in areas of substantial or high transmission. In addition, all conference attendees will be required to wear masks unless eating, drinking, or outside of the hotel. We will have hand sanitizer and masks available at the registration desk and at other designated locations during the Supreme Session. However, we encourage everyone to have their own supply of the same. The above policy is subject to change based upon the status of the COVID -19 pandemic, per the CDC, State, Federal and hotel guidelines.



Hello Brothers and Sisters:

This is just a reminder about a few deadlines before our 101st Biennial Session. Earlier you received the Proclamation from the Congress and Supreme Chapter about our COVID regulations. In order to make this all work, we will need a roster of everyone that will be attending ANY event during the 101st Biennial Session from each Grand Chapter and Grand Lodge. **We are asking for the roster by June 15th. Please email your roster to spires1122@gmail.com. It is of the utmost importance that you return your roster so that we can validate vaccination status for everyone in attendance (members and guests). These mitigation efforts have been put in place to reduce a potential Covid outbreak at our Congress.**

Please do not wait until the last minute to send your roster in as this delay puts a lot of work on the committee.

Reminders about the COVID Test Upload.....

First Note: No one from The General Grand Masonic Congress or The Supreme Chapter will have access to your vaccination records or negative tests. The only thing that the registration staff will see is the information has been uploaded correctly or not. We will only see green, yellow or gray. Green meaning approved, yellow meaning not approved and gray meaning it was never submitted. This is all HIPAA compliant.

Second Note: Please remember if you are submitting a negative PCR test, it must be within 48 hours of your arrival to the Little Rock Marriott hotel. Your information will be cross checked with your arrival day.

Third Note: You must use your Government Name. If you don't your upload will be denied.

Steps to Register for the 101st Biennial Session - This can be done by computer, tablet, or smartphone.

1. Please click the link:

<https://app.crowdpass.co/test/auth/signin?callbackUrl=app.crowdpass.co/auth/6961>



2. Follow the prompts to enter your information (create an account) and have your vaccination card or test results available in picture form to upload or if you are using your phone you can use the camera feature. You will be asked to answer a Health Questionnaire and accept the waiver.

Please click [here](#) for a Youtube video that describes the process.

After you Upload your Information

Once you upload your information, a few hours later you will receive an email from CrowdPass that will tell you if your information has been approved or not. (Please check your junk mail if you don't receive it after 24 hours) If approved, you are done and there will be nothing left to do but enjoy the event. If you are denied, you will need to follow the instructions on your email to attend the Biennial Session.

Onsite Registration

We are asking Grand Matrons and Grand Masters (or your representative) to come to the registration areas of the Congress and Supreme Chapter to receive your bands. The registration staff will double

check the status of all members. Once you have your wristbands there is nothing left to do but enjoy the session.

Registration will take place in an appointed location

Friday, July 15th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday, July 16th, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm; Both secretarial offices will be closed during the Trailmasters/Sunbeam Luncheon.

GUESTS

If you have guests coming to the banquet please send them the link above and have them put their information into the system as well. Guests will have name tags to crosscheck. You will receive their name tags during registration.

Finally, there will be on-site testing as well (as a back-up). This is NOT A REPLACEMENT for uploading your information. **This is for emergency purposes and last minute additions only!**

Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we navigate this new system. Please remember this is new to ALL of us, so there may be some hiccups etc. If you have any questions please reach out to Sister Tonia Burrell Pace or Brother Larry D. Spires.

See you soon!

Ill. Kenneth Paige, 33/96
President of the General Grand Masonic Congress A.F. & A.M.

Sis. Wynetta Erwin
Supreme Chapter, O.E.S.

Sister Tonia Burrell Pace and Ill. Rev. Dr. Larry D. Spires 33/96
Grand Chapter and Grand Lodge Secretary

