

General Order No. 1

To the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Tennessee and the Officers and Sir Knights of the Constituent Commanderies wherever dispersed throughout Tennessee:

I bring you greetings as your new Grand Commander. I wish the circumstances were better suited for my first communication to my brethren, yet they are what providence has arranged.

Over the course of the last year our communities have been afflicted by an uncertain virus with unknown short- and long-term effects. What I am asking you to do is live prudently but without fear. I am asking you to protect and take care of our elderly members, our widows, our weak and young people, and yourselves. This is the true duty of a chivalrous knight and Mason, and much more important than going to a meeting or learning ritual. Tennesseans have always led the way, and I expect no less of you now.

Fear, my friends, is the great enemy of all of us. This is not unnatural, for we always fear what we do not understand. When I first arrived in Haiti as a peacekeeper in 2010, I arrived in the middle of a pandemic of cholera. That virus killed nearly 10,000 people in a short period of time. What I learned was that if I took certain precautions, I would be okay, and I am here to tell the tale. Believe in the peace that is promised to a Christian and have no fear.

To put this in a different context let me offer the words of Christ who said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27.)

We will pass through this and come through the other side. I promise that all will be well. I will be with you every step of the way and I am always available for you and to you any time of day or night. Your Grand Commandery officers also stand by ready to assist as needed.

More information will follow in subsequent General Orders. Fraternally, Billy B. Young Grand Commander Grand Commandery of Tennessee 2021-2022 731-217-7284, wildbill38301@gmail.com

COMMANDERY INSPECTIONS 2021

Below is the Inspection Schedule for 2021. Please note that Inspections occur at Stated Meetings as well as weekends. Meals will be served one hour previous to Inspection. For more information, contact your Recorder or the Grand Officer from your area.

Date Saturday, April 3	Time 9:00 am	Commandery Lexington 36	Location Lexington
Thursdays., June 17	7:00 pm	Carter 37	Elizabethton
Monday June 28	7:00 pm	Greeneville 43	Greeneville
Thursday, August 26	7:00 pm	Cumberland 26	Cookeville
Saturday, September 11	9:00 am	Rosemark 39	Millington
	12:00 pm	Jackson 13	Jackson
Monday, September 13	7:00 pm	Baldwin 7	Lebanon
Tuesday, September 14	7:00 pm	Union City 29	Union City
Thursday, September 16	7:00 pm	Lookout 14	Chattanooga
Saturday, September 18	7:00 pm	Clarksville 8	Clarksville
Tuesday, September 21	7:00 pm	Cyprus 23	Maryville
Thursday. September 23	7:00 pm	Plateau 38	Crossville
Fri., September 24	7:00 pm	Kingsport 33	Kingsport
Saturday September 25	1:00 pm	Watauga 25	Johnson City
Monday, September 27	7:00 pm	Chevalier 21	Oak Ridge
Tuesday, September 28	7:00 pm	Cyrene 42	Dayton
Saturday, October 2	12:00 pm	Dickson 41	Dickson
	6:00 pm	Nashville 1	Nashville
Saturday, October 9	1:00 pm	DePayens 11	Franklin
Monday, October 11	7:00 pm	Murfreesboro 10	Murfreesboro
Thursday, October 14	7:00 pm	Park Avenue 31	Memphis
Saturday, October 16	12:00 pm	Manchester 40	Manchester
Tuesday, October 19	7:00 pm	Campbell Co. 44	LaFollette
Monday, October 25	7:00 pm	Paris 16	Paris
Monday, November 1	7:00 pm	St. Omer 19	Bristol
Monday, November 8	7:00 pm	Coeur de Lion 9	Knoxville
Thursday, November 11	7:00 pm	Athens 34	Athens

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