

# JOHN H. DEVEAUX GRAND COMMANDERY

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## **PROCLAMATION 21-1**

To: All Grand Commandery Officers, Past Most Eminent Grand Commanders, District Deputy Grand Eminent Commander, Eminent Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of Local Commanderies.

Greetings, I pray and hope that this letter finds you and your families in the best of health & spirits. As stated by our Most Worshipful Grand Master Corey D. Shackelford, Sr. in his proclamation. Tis is the season for health and prosperity. As we move forward to last two month of the year 2021. Let us not forget about the loss lives of our departed sir knights and their families members that was called home to be with our Father God in Heaven. My heart is heavy today, and I know yours is too. Words can't describe how sorry I am at the loss of so many family members and more especially our dearly departed sir knights. I wish you peace and comfort as we grieve during these trying times. On behalf of officers and members of the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Masons, Please accept our deepest condolences for our loss.

I like to take time out to thanks all of the officers, deputies and every member of the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery for your prayers and continued support and dedication in maintaining our high standards of Knightly hood. You all have demonstrated what Knights Templar should be. And that is being merciful without weakness, fallible without treachery, compassionate towards one another and to the suffering and open handed. You all stand ready to help the needy and to confound robbers and murders. A just judge without favor or hatred. We as sir knights prefer death to dishonor. We must protect Christianity for it cannot defend itself.

There few thing that I am asking for your support as we close out the year 2021 and begin a new year 2022. First, I have talked with all District Deputy Grand Eminent Commanders and I Edward P. Russell KYCH Most Eminent Grand Commander of the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery Magnamious Order of Knights Templar Mason Jurisdiction of Georgia. PHA.

**I do hereby declare that the following be adhered to:**

1. My authority vested in me as the Grand Eminent Commander , I request that all local Commanderies make a donation in the amount of **\$100 ( Suspense for checks to get to our Grand Treasurer George B. King 1475 Paul Caswell Blvd Hinesville, GA 31313 by 19 November 2021)** to the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery for in support of our Annual Church Visitation and the H.R. Butler Grand Royal & Select Masters Toys give away to be held at the : **Crossing Jordon Baptist Church 1401 Cypress St. Valdosta GA 31602 on 19 December 2021 at 10am.** Uniform is full knights Templar uniforms. The Valdosta York Rite bodies will purchase all tree toys and have them at the church service on Sunday 19 December 2021. **I expected to see maximum participation from all Grand Commandery Officers, Deputies and sir knights from your local Commanderies barring any and all emergencies.**

2. All Commanderies will hold in person elections for 2022. **No Virtual elections are allowed.** The only business to be conducted is collections of dues and elections. Commanders can open in short form. The Commanderies will produce a treasurers report from 1 Jan 2021 thru the date of your elections. This we be used in place of your usual audit. Reports of elections are due to the Grand Recorder by 1 January 2022.

3. Deputies and Eminent Commanders please ensure that Past Eminent Commander are completed utilizing our current KT Ritual. Please submit complete applications and fees to the Grand Recorder by 1 February 2022.

4. I hereby summons all Grand Commandery Officers, Deputies and local Commanderies to attend our **Annual KT Workshop on 26 March 2022 at the Milledgeville High School Alumni 977 Highway 338 Dudley GA 31022 at 9am. The registration fee is \$20 per member. Registration will be on-line for the workshop.** Look for more to come after the Holy Royal Arch & Royal Select Masters workshop. **The uniform is FULL KNIGHTS TEMPLAR UNIFORMS.** We will take Grand Commandery pictures of all officers & deputies for the 2022 Annual session. **We will have instructions given by Past Eminent Commanders Brian Hall & Dave Degustie. In closing may God our Lord Jesus the Christ continue to bless us for the manifolds and comforts that we enjoy. May the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob be with us all, and may He fulfill in us His blessing. Happy Holidays !**

Respectfully Yours,



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