

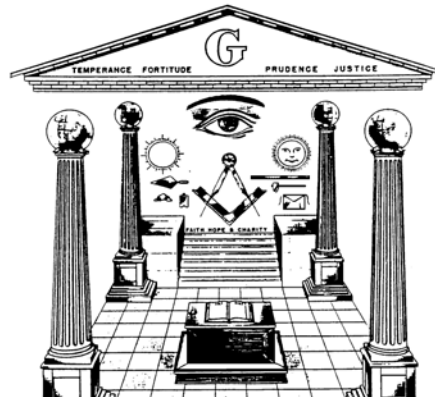
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PROCLAMATION

2015

THE ORIGINAL GENERAL GRAND MASONIC CONGRESS  
OF GRAND MASTERS

ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INC.



JOHN V. THORNTON MIDWINTER CONFERENCE

BRIDGING THE GAP PART V  
MARCH 11 THRU MARCH 14, 2015

**Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel**  
**64 South Water Street**  
**Mobile, Alabama 36602**  
**1(800) 922-3298**

Re: John Vernon Thornton Mid-Winter Conference

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# PROCLAMATION

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was and the sprit shall return unto god who gave it. Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity. And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs. The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth. The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd. And further by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh. Let us hear of the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgement, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Ecclesiastes 12: 7-14

**TO:** All Grand Lodges, M.W. Grand Masters, R.W. D. Grand Masters, Grand Senior, and Junior Wardens, Past and Present. Officers of the Original General Grand Masonic Congress of Grand Masters of The United States of America and Canada, Inc.

## **GREETINGS:**

In accordance with Article 8, of the Constitution and By-Laws of The Original General Grand Masonic Congress of Grand Masters, and by the Power and Authority vested in Me, I, Honorable Charles J. Clarke 33°, "The President General" do hereby call the above named Masonic Congress from refreshment to Labor in its JOHN VERNON THORNTON MID- WINTER CONFERENCE, to convene in Mobile, Ala, March 11 Thru March 14, 2015

GENERAL HEADQUARTER HOTEL

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HOST GRAND LODGE

## **MOST WORSHIPFUL KING SOLOMON GRAND LODGE**

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## **“Overflow Hotel”**

### **Admerial Semmes Hotel**

251 Government Street - Mobile, Alabama 36603  
Phone: (251) 432-8000 – Toll free: (800) 321-2211  
[www.courtyard.com/EWRED](http://www.courtyard.com/EWRED)  
(Room rates \$99.00 plus tax)

## **RESERVATIONS**

Reservations should be made directly to the Hotel. **ROOM RATES:** Singles, Double, Queen - \$101.00 plus 15% tax per room night. A one (1) night advance deposit is required. **Please call or email your reservation.**

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEB. 15, 2015**

## **REGISTRATION**

Registration Fee is \$75.00 per person, this includes Journal, Badge, Friday Night Social, and Saturday Evening Banquet. Please make check or money order payable to: Most Worshipful King Solomon Grand Lodge, forward to: Bro. Andrew Hunter – 2166 O’Rourke Drive – Mobile, AL 36695

## **GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

\$35.00 Per Person Round Trip – **Greyhound Bus Transportation \$20.00.** Please send your itinerary form/fees to the Transportation Committee: Make Check/Money Order payable to Most Worshipful King Solomon Grand Lodge.

### **Mobile Dialysis Center**

FMC Port City Dialysis  
201 St. Joseph St. Suite B  
Mobile, AL 36602  
251-652-1025

## **MID-WINTER CONFERENCE AGENDA**

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2015**

Grand Master's Council Meeting  
Grand Matrons Meeting

Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons Workshop  
Supreme Grand Heroines Court Workshop

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015**

Joint Meeting M. Congress & S. G. Chapter

S. Grand Patrons O. E. S. Workshop

Registration 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

8:30 A. M. to Noon  
9:00 A. M. to Noon

2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P. M.  
2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Registration 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Masonic Congress Opening Ceremonies

11:00 A.M.

Work shop, 1st V. President general

1:00 P.M.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2015**

Registration 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Joint Meeting M. Congress & S. G. Chapter

8:30 A.M.

Masonic Congress reconvenes

10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

Congress work shop, President General

Banquet (after 6:00 Attire)

7:00 P.M.

## **MASONIC CONGRESS MEETING AGENDA**

01. OPENING CEREMONIES
02. ROLL CALL OF GRAND LODGES AND M. CONGRESS OFFICERS
03. READING OF THE MASONIC CONGRESS PROCLAMATION
04. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMUNICATION
05. READING OF APPOINTED MASONIC CONGRESS COMMITTEES
06. MASONIC CONGRESS WORKSHOP
07. REMARKS: GRAND MASONIC CONGRESS OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
08. REMARKS: AFFILIATED SUPREME DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
09. CLOSING CEREMONIES

### **PLEASE NOTE**

THIS CONGRESS MAY BE CALLED INTO SPECIAL SESSION AT ANYTIME DURING THIS MIDWINTER CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER ALL MATTERS THAT MAY AFFECT ITS WELFARE.

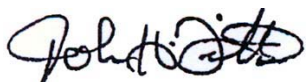
## **ELIGIBILITY TO ATTEND THE MID-WINTER CONFERENCE**

GRAND MASTERS, PAST GRAND MASTERS, DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS, PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS, SENIOR AND JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS, PAST SENIOR AND JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS, LIFE MEMBERS, SUPREME DEPARTMENTS HEADS, WORSHIPFUL MASTERS, PAST AND PRESENT AND ALL MASTER MASONS.

ALL MEMBERS OF THIS MASONIC CONGRESS ARE EXPECTED TO EXTEND EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THIS MID-WINTER CONFERENCE IN FULL MASONIC REGALIA OF THE ORDER.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE ORIGINAL GENERAL GRAND MASONIC CONGRESS OF GRAND MASTERS, ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA, INC. TO BE AFFIXED THIS 31<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2014 A. D. - A. L. 6014. IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF IL

**FRATERNALLY,**



**HON. JOHN H. FITTS 33'**  
**"THE SECRETARY GENERAL"**



**HON. CHARLES J. CLARKE 33'**  
**"THE PRESIDENT GENERAL"**