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## PROCLAMATION

### 2023 YORK RITE WORKSHOP

October 16, 2022

“Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have:  
for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. (Hebrews 13:5)”

To: The Honorable Jeffery G. Jones, 19<sup>th</sup> Most Worshipful Grand Master, Belize, Central America & It's Jurisdiction Inc. The Rt. Ill Grand Deputy Master Companion Frank Barnes, Rt. Ill Grand Principle Conductor of the Works, Companion Flemon Lewis, Rt. Ill Grand Treasurer HPGTIM Lynwood Loper, Rt. Ill Grand Recorder, Wesner Pierre, All Elected and Appointed Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Present and Past Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, Recorders, Treasurers & Companions of Subordinate Councils of Royal & Select Masters.

**2023 YORK RITE WORKSHOP:** By virtue of the authority invested in me and in conformity pursuant to Article I, Page 1, Section 3, in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws governing The Most Illustrious Union Grand Council Royal & Select Masters, State of Florida, PHA & Jurisdictions, Inc. I, Most Illustrious Reginald Hardee, Grand Thrice Illustrious Master, call all Grand Council Officers, Elected and Appointed, Past Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters, Honorary Past Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters, District Deputy Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters, Past and Present Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, and all companions owing allegiance to the Illustrious Union Grand Council, to convene in our Annual YORK RITE Workshop. The YORK RITE Workshop will open at 9:00 PM, Thursday, January 5, 2023 and conclude Friday night, January 6, 2022 after the King/Queen Contest, at the Sheraton Orlando North, 600 N. Lake Destiny Road Maitland, Florida 32751.

**REGISTRATION:** All Appointed Grand Council Officers and the top seven principal officers of each Council are required to register, whether in attendance or not. Advance Registration is \$50.00 per officer and due by December 17, 2022. On-site registration is \$75.00. There is no registration fee for PGTIM, Grand Council Elected officers and DDGTIMs but they must be listed on their local registration report.

The registration that is paid for that position can be applied to another officer(s) or companion's registration fee. The registration fee for any additional Companions is \$60.00 and is due by December 17, 2022. Tickets for the King Queen Contest are \$50.00. A registration/dinner combo can be purchased for \$100.00 in advanced by December 17, 2022. The combo fee will increase to \$120.00 if purchased on-site. There will specific communication to come on the King/Queen contest.

A letter indicating this must be sent with the registration, along with the name of the individual(s) that the registration is to be applied.

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Registration badges must be worn, No Badge/No Entry.

Mail all Council checks and/or money orders to the Grand Recorder, Rt. Ill.  
Wesner Pierre: PO Box 192, 24106 State Road 46, Sorrento, FL 32776

Checks are to be made payable to Most Illustrious Union Grand Council  
Royal & Select Masters of Florida (MIUGCRSMFL).

All Companions must be registered to enter the Grand Council Session. Admittance of Companion Guardians to the Russell Alexander Earl, Sr. Grand Court, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection will require a Most Illustrious Union Grand Council badge. Companion Guardians will not be assessed a registration fee by the Grand Court.

**LIFE MEMBERS, MIPGTIM and PGTIM** must notify the Office of the Grand Recorder in writing by December 17, 2022, of your plans to attend our Annual Grand Session in order to prepare your registration badge. If one or more of the three principal officers are Life Members, the registration that is paid for that position within your Council can be applied to another officer(s) or companion's registration fee. However, a letter must be submitted to the Grand Recorder with the names.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** The Headquarters Hotel is the Sheraton Orlando North, 600 N. Lake Destiny Road Maitland, Florida 32751. Reservations can be made directly with the hotel. Call the Reservations Desk at (407) 660 - 9000 and ask for the **Special Group Rate** under "Masonic York Rite Weekend." The room rate is \$124 per night plus applicable taxes/fees for a traditional single (king bed) or traditional double (queen beds). The room rate is \$144 per night plus applicable taxes/fees for a deluxe single (king bed) or deluxe double (queen beds). The room rate is \$164 per night plus applicable taxes/fees for a club-level single (king bed).

(Reservation cut-off date: DECEMBER 14, 2022. After December 14, 2022, reservation requests are confirmed on guestroom and convention rate availability. If the rate is not available, the prevailing hotel rate will apply.)

The Pass Key for Hotel Reservations: The pass key for the 13th York Rite Workshop is below. Please click the hyperlink below to access the hotel reservation site:

[Sheraton Orlando North Pass Key - 2023 York Rite Workshop](#)

Please do not wait until the last minute to book your room, nor should you overbook rooms and expect to cancel them at the last minute. If you hold up excess rooms until 72 hours before your arrival date, you will be required to pay one night's lodging for each of the excess rooms you are holding and do not need. The Grand Council will not cover this late cancellation fee, and it will be charged to your credit card.

**DRESS CODE:** All companions are required to wear a Royal Select Polo, black pants, black belt, black socks, and black dress shoes. If you do not have a polo, then regular Royal and Select masonic dress is required.

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In addition to the regular companion attire, all Elected Grand Officers can wear their purple coat. All other Companions not having a purple bowtie are authorized and encouraged to come in black and white Masonic dress. "All guidelines of the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge's COVID Protocol will be followed and strictly enforced."

**OCCASIONAL COUNCIL OPENING:** The officers and members of council will perform the workshop opening at 9:00 PM, January 5, 2023 in due and ritualistic form.

**ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (ICDP):** RT. ILL Thomas Gilchrist, Grand Instructor, and the board will coordinate and manage our educational sessions. All Royal Select Companions are required to be in attendance to receive proper credit for course work.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** All Standing and Special committees are to see the Grand Recorder to ensure they have all that is required, to complete their report in our April 2023 Annual Assembly. The sitting Thrice Illustrious Master is the Chairperson and the DDGTIM will serve as the Executive Administrator. Necrology will be done by the Grand Chaplain and team. The close out date for all reports is April 2023. All Reports are due to Grand Recorder, between March 1, 2023 and the start of session in March 30, 2023.

*This Proclamation is required to be read at each meeting until the commencement of the YORK RITE Workshop. The DDGTIM is authorized to adjust to a summarized reading after a full initial reading of the document has been completed and noted in the local Council's minutes. Please disseminate this information to all for maximum participation and instruction.*

Yours In The Cryptic Rite,

Most Ill. Reginald Hardee, KYCH  
Grand Thrice Illustrious Master

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Most Illustrious Union Grand Council to be affixed

ATTEST,

Right Illustrious Wesner Pierre  
Grand Recorder



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CC: The Honorable Jeffery G. Jones., Most Worshipful Grand Master

Dr. Tracy A. Thomas, Grand Worthy Matron, Order of the Eastern Star

Raymond Cromartie., Grand Worthy Patron, Order of the Eastern Star

Dr. Elton Lewis, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Holy Royal Arch Masons

Estella Edwards, Grand Most Ancient Matron, Heroines of Jericho

Michael Bellamy, Grand Worthy Joshua, Heroines of Jericho

Rose Ann Brown, Royal Grand Perfect Matron, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection

Alonzo Wilson, III, Royal Grand Chief Advisor, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection

Byron Willis, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Magnanimous Order of Knights  
Templar

Danielle L. Dixon, Grand Princess Captain, Hattie C. Dandridge Grand Guild Templar  
Crusaders

Rudolph Givens, III, Royal Advisor, Hattie C. Dandridge Grand Guild Templar  
Crusaders

Lynwood Loper, Eminent Prior, Union Priory No.6

Christopher D. Terrell, Deputy of the Orient of Florida, AASR Southern  
Jurisdiction

Asia McMillian, State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler, Order of the Golden Circle

Rodney Edwards-Esq., State Director, Knights of Pythagoras

Terri Robinson, State Director, Starlights

1<sup>st</sup> MIPGTIM Russell A. Earl, Sr.

2<sup>nd</sup> MIPGTIM Cleveland Clanton

4<sup>th</sup> MIPGTIM Joseph Ellis

6<sup>th</sup> MIPGTIM Earnest B. Daniels

7<sup>th</sup> MIPGTIM Henry L. Wright, Sr.

8<sup>th</sup> MIPGTIM Jeffery C. Doyle, I

9<sup>th</sup> MIPGTIM Theodore Hammonds, Jr.

All Past Grand Thrice Illustrious Masters



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## YORK RITE WORKSHOP AGENDA

### January 5 – 6, 2023

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	
Thursday, January 5	8:00 PM	Registration Opens	
Thursday, January 5	9:00 PM	Occasional Opening	
Friday, January 6	6:30 AM	Silver Trowel	Rt. Ill Frank Barnes, GDM, MIPGTIM Doyle, & Degree Team
Friday, January 6	7:30 AM – 7:55 AM	Registration	Grand Recorder
Friday, January 6	8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	Illustrious Companion Development Program – Room A	The Board of Instruction & Grand Instructor
Friday, January 6	9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	ICDP - Room B	The Board of Instruction & Grand Instructor
Friday, January 6	10:00 AM–10:45 AM	ICDP - Room C	The Board of Instruction & Grand Instructor
Friday, January 6	11:00 AM–11:45 AM	ICDP - Room D	The Board of Instruction & Grand Instructor
Friday, January 6	11:45 AM–12:00 PM	CRA close	Grand Council
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Noon to 1:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
Friday, January 6	1:00 PM – 1:35 PM	Main Room	Designated Lecturer
Friday, January 6	1:40 PM - 2:10 PM	Main Room	Designated Lecturer
Friday, January 6	2:15 PM – 2:35 PM	CRA closing – Next steps	
Friday, January 6	2:35 PM	Final Remarks	Visiting Dignitaries, MIPGTIMS Department Heads MI Reginald Hardee Hon. Jeffery G. Jones, 19 <sup>th</sup> MWGM, MWUGL

**Friday,  
 January 6**

**King /  
 Queen  
 Contest**