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PROCLAMATION 01-2026

April 6, 2026

TO: Deputy Grand Master Jonathan White, GSW Derwin Canty, GJW Reggie Walker, RWGS Antonio White, RWGT Earl Perry, Past Grand Masters, Benjamin Barksdale, Willie L. Williams, Ramsey Davis, Jr., Douglas Jones, Bruce James, Corey Shackelford Sr., Grand Trustees, All Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, All Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Brothers

TO: Grand Worthy Matron Sallie Mills, Grand Worthy Patron MackArthur Walton, All Elected Grand Chapter Officers, Past Grand Worthy Matrons, Past Grand Worthy Patrons, All Appointed Grand Chapter Officers, All Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Past Worthy Matrons, Past Worthy Patrons, All Officers, and Members of the Order of the Eastern Star

*“Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.”
~Proverbs 29:18~*

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, by the powers vested in me as the 19th Most Worshipful Grand Master, I Primus T. James do hereby call for all Principal Officers of the Jurisdiction of Georgia to attend our Annual 155th Grand Lodge and 126th Grand Chapter Communication / Session, June 23 - 26, 2026, convening at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, 2 10th Street, Augusta, Georgia 30301. It is a constitutional mandate that all Lodges and Chapters are represented.

I kindly encourage all members to pre-register so we can prepare for a smooth and successful session.

You can access the registration page at:

<https://mwphglga.ticketspice.com/the-155th-grand-lodge-126th-grand-chapter-communication-mwphglga>

- Early Registration dates are through May 22, 2026 at 11:59PM
- Late Registration is from May 23rd through June 19th at 11: 59PM
- But God Exemption requests must be sent to butgod@mwphglga.org.
- Life Membership Exemption requests must be sent to life@mwphglga.org

Note: All request for Life Membership and But God Exemption must be made by early registration no later than May 22^d at 11:59 p.m., during the early registration period. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

Personal checks will not be accepted for on-site registration. Accepted forms of payment include credit/debit cards, money orders, cashier's checks or cash.

In accordance with the mandate of the Most Worshipful Grand Master; all attendees are required to wear their name badge at all times throughout the session and during the outing.

HOTEL INFORMATION LISTED BELOW:

Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center / 2 10th Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901

Link: [**Book your group rate for Prince Hall 155 Grand Lodge of Georgia**](#)

Holiday Inn, 444 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901

Link:

<https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=EX®ionCode=1&localeCode=en&checkInMonthYear=052026&checkInDate=22&checkOutDate=26&checkOutMonthYear=052026&hotelCode=AGSDT&GPC=MWP&numberOfAdults=1&numberOfRooms=1&adjustMonth=false&showApp=true&monthIndex=00>

Hyatt House Augusta / Downtown, 1268 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901

Link:

https://www.hyatt.com/shop/agsxa?location=agsxa&checkinDate=2026-06-22&checkoutDate=2026-06-26&rooms=1&adults=1&kids=0&corp_id=g-MWPH

SOUVENIR JOURNAL

All Districts are expected to be represented in the souvenir journal. We encourage every Lodge and Chapter to demonstrate their support by purchasing an ad, regardless of size.

Additionally, you are encouraged to solicit advertisements from merchants and businesses you patronize. For members of the Masonic Family who are business owners, this presents an excellent and cost-effective opportunity to promote your business.

AD DEADLINE IS MAY 10, 2026. Ads may be sent to the address below or emailed to: mwatts216@aol.com. ALL ads are to be emailed “**PRINT READY**” in **Microsoft Word** or **PDF** formats only. **No Excel or Power Point formats please!** Ads not submitted as requested will not be accepted. Ads will not be printed without payment.

Make checks payable to Grand Lodge Committee mail to
Mary Goodman Watts
Souvenir Journal Chairperson
249 Shiloh Road, Jenkinsburg, GA 30234

MID-WINTER LEADERSHIP MEETING:

I would like to thank DDGM Michael Brannon, ADDGM Turvon Casey, ADDGM Eric Quick, Sr., DWM Teresa Dumas-Jackson, DWP Charles George, DAM Belize Hopkins and the entire Macon District No. 5 for going above and beyond on hosting an awesome mid-winter meeting. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank each of you who attended the Mid-Winter Meeting. Once again, the attendance surely exceeded my expectations. Special thanks to the Registration Team, the Medical Staff, the Grand Lodge Give-Away Committee, the Grand Security Team, the Technology Team and the Grand Lodge Office Staff for their dedication and hard work.

ANNUAL GIVE-AWAY

The Annual Give-Away was very successful; thus far we have collected over \$85,000.00. Thank you to each of you that participated, your support was overwhelming. If you haven't submitted your money for the tickets, please do so immediately. The winners of the Give-Away are listed below:

Zone 1 (White Tickets)	1 st Place	Sister Tawanda DuRut
	2nd Place	Brother Mike Cherry
	3rd Place	Sister Sherry McIver
Zone 2 (Blue Tickets)	1st Place	Brother Darryl Steward
	2nd Place	Sister Amari Rose
	3rd Place	Sister Jasmine Moore
Zone 3 (Yellow Tickets)	1st Place	Brother Lamar Williams
	2nd Place	Brother Ace Cook
	3rd Place	Free Run Lodge No. 518
Other Winners:	1 st Brother	Brother Don Dukes
	1 st Sister	Sister Shelia Duggan
	1 st Lodge	St. Andrews Lodge No. 32
	1 st Chapter	Progressive Chapter No. 139
	1st District Brothers	Americus District 14
	1st District Sisters	Americus District 14

(All Grand Elected and Appointed Officers are required to purchase/sell Grand Lodge Give-Away tickets).

JURISDICTIONAL DARKNESS

April 24th - 26th Grand Youth Session (Atlanta Masonic District No. 3 East and West)
June 23rd - 26th Grand Session
September 11th - 13th Prince Hall Day

GRAND YOUTH SESSION

Jurisdiction of Georgia 49th Grand Youth Session will be held April 24 - 26, at Prince Hall Grand East. The host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express Atlanta Airport, Best Road, College Park. Please contact PM Sherri Davis, Grand Youth Directress @ sadavis61@yahoo.com for further information.

ST. JOHNS DAY

All Districts are mandated to host St. John's Day. This is a great time for Districts to come together and fellowship with each other. The observation date is June 28, 2026, and regalia is required. Sisters are encouraged to attend and wear full regalia.

PRINCE HALL DAY

Prince Hall Day Weekend will be held September 11-13, 2026, in Savannah, Georgia. More information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

BUT GOD INITIATIVE

With sincere gratitude, we extend a special thank you to all who have faithfully contributed to the But God Initiative. Through your unwavering support and collective generosity, we have surpassed \$700,000 in contributions, bringing us significantly closer to fulfilling our goal of retiring the debt on our building located at 7340 Old National Highway in Riverdale, Georgia.

Your commitment stands as a testament to the power of unity, vision, and purpose.

If you would like more information on the initiative, send an email to butgod@mwphglga.org or contact RWDGM Jonathan White directly at (404) 697-9670.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

A blood drive sponsored by the Red Cross will take place on Wednesday, 6/24/26. More information is forthcoming.

GRAND LODGE BUILDING FUND ASSESSMENT - MRA REPORTS

Please be reminded that all reports are **Due April 30, 2026**. Please complete your reports accurately and submit them in a timely manner.

Lodge Treasurers - please ensure checks are made payable to the correct entity, as our financial institutions have strict deposit requirements.

- Grand Lodge Tax Checks should be made payable to "Prince Hall Grand Lodge" with GL TAX" in the memo.
- Masonic Supply Checks should be made payable to "Masonic Supply Association."
- MRA Checks should be made payable to "Masonic Relief Association."
- Endowment Checks should be made payable to "Prince Hall Building Endowment."

MASONIC SUPPLIES

A gentle reminder Brothers, Masonic supplies are available for purchase through the Grand Lodge Masonic Supply Office. Additionally, we are excited to offer online ordering for your convenience.

HAZING

Please allow this to serve as a reminder that hazing will not be tolerated under any circumstances during degree work. Any reported incidents will be taken seriously and subject to thorough investigation. Together, we must remain committed to maintaining a safe, respectful, and supportive environment where all members can pursue their degree work free from intimidation or harm.

VOTER REGISTRATION

As we continue our collective work within in this great Jurisdiction, I encourage each member to recognize the power and responsibility we hold as engaged citizens. Voter registration and participation are not only our civic duties, but they are also vital expressions of our voice and our values. When we vote, we help shape the future of our communities, our state and our nation. Let us be reminded that if we do not exercise this right, our voices may go unheard. I urge each of you to ensure that you are registered, informed and committed to participating in every election, as your voice truly matters.

In that same spirit of commitment and civic duty, let us pause in solemn reflection and unwavering support for the brave men and women of our Armed Forces. During these challenging and uncertain times in our nation, let us keep our troops lifted in constant prayer, asking for their protection, strength and safe return home. May we also extend encouragement and support to their families, who serve alongside them in sacrifice and resilience.

Thank you for your steadfast support and unwavering commitment to my office as the Most Worshipful Grand Master for the Jurisdiction of Georgia. Together through faith, dedication and prayer, we will continue to uplift our Lodges, strengthen our Districts and positively impact our communities. United in purpose, we trust that God will transform our collective efforts into lasting progress and success.

Fraternally,



Primus T. James, 33°
19th Most Worshipful Grand Master

