



Jerusalem Grand Chapter



Order of the Eastern Star State of Florida & Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliated

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PROCLAMATION 2023 ANNUAL GRAND CHAPTER MID-YEAR WORKSHOP

"But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian heard it, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king? Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore, we his servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem."

Nehemiah 2:19-20

THIS PROCLAMATION IS TO BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY

O' Jerusalem!

It is my prayer that this communication finds you all in good health and spirit!

By the power and authority vested in us, we, Sis. Dr. Grand Worthy Matron Tracy A. Thomas and Bro. Grand Worthy Patron Raymond Cromartie, Jr., of the Jerusalem Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, PHA, Florida and its Jurisdiction, do hereby summons **all** members of this esteemed body to assemble for our Annual Grand Chapter Mid-Year Workshop on October 20-21, 2023. The theme: **"No Time to Play in Jerusalem"** (Nehemiah 2:19-20)

LODGING ACCOMODATIONS: The Workshop will be held at the Rosen Centre Hotel, located at 9840 International Drive, in Orlando, Florida 32819. Room rate is \$139.00 plus applicable tax (single or double). Reservations must be secured by a major credit card and the deadline is **September 19, 2023**. Each reservation should be made by calling: (800) 204-7234, indicating the Jerusalem Grand Chapter OES Room Block.

<https://be.synxis.com/?adult=1&arrive=2023-10-19&chain=10237&child=0&config=ORLRH¤cy=USD&depart=2023-10-22&group=GRP%20MWUGL&hotel=69869&level=hotel&locale=en-US&rooms=1&theme=ORLRH>

REGISTRATION: Advance registration for all members is **\$80.00**. The 7 (8) principal officers **MUST** register (Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron (if you have one), Conductress, Associate Conductress, Treasurer, and Secretary whether in attendance or not. (Please note, *all offices must be registered. Even if a Lifetime member or Senior Star holds that office.*)

There will be **NO ONSITE** registration!!! Workshop registration deadline is September 29, 2023. Registrations received after this date will be \$100.00.

Please use the attached form and send your registration, along with full payment to:

**Office of the Grand Secretary
Sis. Temekee Armstrong
P.O. Box 43480
Jacksonville, FL 32203**

Personal checks from members will not be accepted. Payment must be by a chapter's check, cashier's check, or money order. There will be a \$50.00 fee if the check is returned by your bank for any reason.

**Life Members and Senior Star Sisters (75+) are exempt from registration fees, but their names must be included on the chapter's registration form if they will be attending the Workshop. Please make sure that the names of all Life Members and Senior Star Sisters are previously recorded in the Office of the Grand Secretary before September 29, 2023!!! Upon arrival to the workshop, please report to the Grand Secretary's Table (in registration).*

CONFERRING OF DEGREES: The Queen of the South and the Amaranth Degrees will be conferred on Friday evening, starting promptly at 6:00 PM. All candidates must be in place by 5:30 PM, and properly regaled. The fee for each degree is \$10.00. Please note, members receiving the Queen of the South and Amaranth Degree **must** register for workshop. Please complete the application and return the application form, along with a chapter's check, cashier's check or money order, for the total fees, by September 29, 2023, to:

**Office of the Grand Secretary
Sis. Temekee Armstrong
Attention: Degree Registration
P.O. Box 43480
Jacksonville, FL 32203**

Make chapter's checks, cashier's checks and money orders payable to **Jerusalem Grand Chapter.*

CALLING ALL DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY MATRONS, DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY PATRONS, & ASSISTANT DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY MATRONS: Your presence is required for a mandatory meeting on Friday evening, starting promptly at 6:00 PM. The attire is business casual!

FINAL RITES: The Officers of The Jerusalem Grand Chapter, OES, PHA will perform the final Rites for Grand Worthy Patron Rev. Elvin J. Parker, III, on Friday evening at 8:00 PM.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS: Training sessions for the Workshop will be held on Saturday morning, starting at 8:00 AM, and will continue until 12:30 PM. The schedule includes devotional, general opening, and 4 interactive breakout sessions led by the Grand Lecturers of the Patricia A. Stafford Eastern Star University. The attire is business casual, which includes dresses, skirt suits, chapter polos, and pants, however no shorts or distressed jeans. Lunch will be onsite.

The afternoon session, I've got just one question I want you to help answer:

“How much can we grow???”

Yes, in addition to having a great time of fun and fellowship, we will welcome all our new and returning members with fanfare!!! Please be reminded that The Jerusalem Grand Chapter is STILL having a GROWTH and RETENTION Challenge!!! The rules have NOT changed!!!

AND IN THE TRADITION OF THE JERUSALEM GRAND CHAPTER...

It's time for our

“ALL~WHITE with a SPLASH OF COLOR RECEPTION”

Jerusalem Grand Chapter is a proud and strong supporter of not only the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Florida, but also of every female auxiliary. With “WHITE” being our common base color, we are asking you to “accent” with your favorite “HOUSE” color! Will you pick

BLUE
OES

RED
HOJ

PURPLE
LOCOP

BLACK or
TC

GOLD?
GC

This year, we are having a

FULL OUT

ALL OUT

CASINO NIGHT!!!

There will be all kinds of games...and PRIZES!!!

Finally, last year I shared that our theme came from Nehemiah 2:18, and I asked you to “*Rise to the Occasion and Do the Good Work*” This year, the theme comes from Nehemiah 2:19-20, “But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian heard it, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king? Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us: therefore, we his servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.” My beloved SiStars and Brothers, there is **No Time to Play in Jerusalem!!!**

O' Jerusalem, I hope you can feel my excitement leaping off the pages of this proclamation because I know that nobody, nowhere, does it like FLORIDA!!! See you in Orlando!!!

Worthy In White (Rev. 3:4-5),



Dr. Tracy A. Thomas
The 3rd & The 5th



CC: Honorable Jeffery G. Jones, Most Worshipful Grand Master
RW Gus Harris, Deputy Grand Master
RW Kendall Moore, Senior Grand Warden
RW Marlon S. Honeywell, Junior Grand Warden
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Sis. Asia McMillian, State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler



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2023 Annual Grand Mid-Year Workshop Registration Form

Name and Number of Chapter: _____
(Please print or type all required information!)

Member's Name	Officers Titles	8 (7) Principal Officers at \$80.00 each	Past Worthy Matrons/Patrons at \$80.00 each	DDGWM/ADDGWM/ DDGWP at \$80.00 each	Life Member and/or Senior Star Sister Exempt	Attending (Y/N)
1	Worthy Matron					
2	Worthy Patron					
3	Associate Matron					
4	Associate Patron					
5	Conductress					
6	Associate Conductress					
7	Treasurer					
8	Secretary					
9	Member					
10	Member					
11	Member					
12	Member					
13	Member					
14	Member					
15	Member					
TOTALS		\$	\$	\$	EXEMPT	

Make Chapter Check or Money Order Payable to **JERUSALEM GRAND CHAPTER**

**Personal checks will not be accepted.*

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Return Mid-Year Workshop Registration Form(s) and Payment to:

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2023 Queen of the South and/or Amaranth Degree Application
(Please print or type all required information)


Chapter Name and No.: _____

Worthy Matron: _____

Member's Name	Sister or Brother	Queen of the South \$10.00	Amaranth \$10.00	Total
Totals		\$	\$	\$

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2023 Grand Mid-Year Workshop Checklist

Activity	Due Date	Where To Send	
Senior Star Sisters (Name and date of birth)	September 29, 2023	JerusalemGS2021@gmail.com	
Mid-Year Workshop Registration	September 29, 2023 *All registrations received after this date, will be subject to an individual fine of \$25.00!!!	Office of the Grand Secretary Temekee Armstrong P.O. Box 43480 Jacksonville, FL 32203	
Queen of the South & Amaranth Degrees Application	September 29, 2023	Office of the Grand Secretary Temekee Armstrong P.O. Box 43480 Jacksonville, FL 32203	
Hotel Registration	September 19, 2023	Rosen Centre 1-800-204-7234 Room Block: Jerusalem Grand Chapter	