

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

Working under the protection of The Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Florida & Belize, Central America and St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, Inc.

Sister Pr. Tracy A. Thomas Grand Worthy Matron

The Honorable Jeffery G. Jones The 19th Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother Raymond Cromartie Jr.
Grand Worthy Patron

#### Sister Bernice McFadden, Grand Conductress

The Lord Is My Shepherd, I Shall Not Want

## THIS PROCLAMATION IS TO BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY AT EVERY CHAPTER MEETING UNTIL AFTER GRAND WORTHY MATRON'S VISITATION.

TO: The Honorable Most Worshipful Grand Master Jeffery G. Jones, Deputy Grand Master RW Gus Harris Jr., Senior Grand Warden RW Kendall Moore, Junior Grand Warden RW Marlon Honeywell, Grand Secretary RW Tommie Wright, Grand Treasurer RW Melvin Wright Grand Worthy Matron Sister Dr. Tracy A. Thomas, Grand Worthy Patron Brother Raymond Cromartie, Jr., Grand Associate Patron Brother Mukimbah H. Bess, Grand Associate Conductress Sister Bridgette Howell, Grand Treasurer Sister Lira M. Latimer, Grand Secretary Sister Temekee L. Armstrong, Past Grand Worthy Matrons, Past Grand Worthy Patrons, Elected and Appointed Grand Officers, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Past Worthy Matrons, Past Worthy Patrons and Members of the Order of Eastern Star in Zone 3.

**FROM:** Sister Bernice McFadden, Grand Conductress

# SUBJECT: ZONE 2 GRAND WORTHY MATRON VISITATION - AUGUST 16- 17, 2024.

It is my prayer that this communication finds each of you in good health and spirit as we prepare for our Grand Worthy Matron, Sister Dr. Tracy A. Thomas' Visitation, which is to be held on August 16-17, 2024, in the beautiful city of Palm Coast, Florida at the African American Society located at 4422 US Highway1 North, Palm Coast, FL, 32137.

### **REGISTRATION**

Attendance is open to all members of the Order; however, all Elected and Appointed Grand Chapter officers (DDGWMs & ADDGWMs) as well as the eight (8) elected principal subordinate chapter officers (Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron, Conductress, Associate Conductress, Treasurer and Secretary) are required to register whether in attendance or not. Advance registration for each member is \$30.00. Each Chapter is required to send the minimum amount of \$240 for the 8 elected principal officers or \$210 for the 7 elected principal officers.

Please use the attached registration form to register those that will be in attendance. Chapter checks, cashier's checks, and money orders for registration should be made payable to Jerusalem Grand Chapter. Please indicate "Z2 GWM Visitation" in the memo field.

The deadline for registration will be July 31, 2024. Registrations received after July 31, 2024, and on-site will be \$35.00. Onsite registration is strongly discouraged.

## **GWM Visitation Donation**

Each Chapter is required to send a chapter visitation donation of \$50.00. The donation should be made out to "Jerusalem Grand Chapter OES". The memo section should say "GWM's donation".

All registration fees and GWM visitation fees should be remitted in the form of a chapter check, cashier's check, or money order. They should be mailed to:

Sister Bernice McFadden 303 Harts Oak Place Seffner, Florida 33584

#### **LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS:**

The headquarters hotel is Hammock Beach Golf Resort, 200 Ocean Crest Drive. Palm Coast, FL 32137. The room rates are: One-bedroom Oceanview Premium Suite - \$199.00, Three-bedroom Oceanview Suite in the Main Tower - \$359.00, Two Bedroom Villa - \$249.00- and Three-Bedroom Villa - \$309.00. The rooms have a pull-out sofa as well.

The hotel's reservation phone number is (877-586-0180). When calling the Reservation Desk, please indicate that you are booking a room under "**Jerusalem Grand Chapter Zone 2 GWM Visitation**."

We also have accommodations at the Fairfield Inn & Suites located at 400 Old Kings Rd., Palm Coast, FL 32137. The room rates are \$134.00per night plus tax. You may register using the link below. Please make reservations by July 31, 2024.

Fairfield Inn & Suites 40 Old Kings Rd., Palm Coast, FL 32137

You may begin to call the Reservation Desk now or register by Internet:

Booking Link in blue or check here Book Your Group/Corporate Rate | Marriott International

Reservation Cut-off Date –July 31, 2024, no later than 5:00 pm.

\*\*Be sure to copy and paste the entire link (it may be 2 lines long) in order for it to work properly\*\*

### Friday- August 16, 2024

Dinner with the Grand Worthy Matron will be held at Atlantic Grille Oceanfront Restaurant, 200 Ocean Crest Drive., Palm Coast, FL 32137 at 6:00 pm. (Please note that dinner purchases will be on your own). The attire is casual. (No distressed jeans). Please RSVP to: essiemgiddens96wm@gmail.com no later than July 31, 2024.

#### Saturday – August 17, 2024

The Zone 2 GWM Visitation will be held at the African American Cultural Society, 4422 US Highway 1 North, Palm Coast, FL at 9:30am. The theme for this year's visitation is: "A PHAmily Affair". Immediately after the GWM's visitation and Queens Contest, we will enjoy a PHAmily Affair Picnic at James F. Holland Memorial Park Explore Pavilion, 18 Florida Park Dr. N. Palm Coast, FL 32164. The attire for the Grand Worthy Matron's official visitation will be casual. (Appropriate knee length shorts will be allowed) Please know that we have the right to ask you to change if we deem your outfit to be inappropriate for our function. (No Distressed Shorts)

#### GIFTS FOR GRAND WORTHY MATRON

If your chapter would like to present a gift to our well - deserving and dedicated Grand Worthy Matron Dr. Tracy A. Thomas, there will be time allotted to make presentations. Grand Worthy Patron Raymond Cromartie Jr. will also be in attendance, if your chapter would like to present a gift to him as well.

Thank you for the love and support you so graciously show for our Order.

Humbly,

Bernice McFadden

Sister Bernice McFadden Grand Conductress Zone 2 Coordinator



CC: MWGM Jeffery G. Jones
DDGM, Districts 16-27
Heroine Sonya Simmons-Brinson, Most Ancient Grand Matron
RM Rose Anne Brown, Royal Grand Perfect Matron
PC Gail Works, Grand Princess Captain
LL Asia McMillian, State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler



#### **Zone 2 Grand Worthy Matron Visitation Registration**

#### PLEASE PRINT:

Chapter Name:	Chapter #:
Chapter Address:	
Worthy Matron:	Phone #:
Email address:	

PLEASE PRINT		Mark the	Mark the appropriate column with an X.			
Member's Name:	Title	Member	PWM/PWP	Grand Officer	Life Member	Attending? Yes or No
	Worthy Matron					
	Worthy Patron					
	Assoc. Matron					
	Assoc. Patron					
	Conductress					
	Assoc. Cond.					
	Treasurer					
	Secretary					
	Member					
	Member					
	Member					
Total Number Attending						

\*\*Please include check made payable to: Jerusalem Grand Chapter.

All checks should be received no later than July 31, 2024

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