

- To: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, All Past Masters, Honorary Past Masters, Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Local Lodge Officers and Master Masons
- From: Hon. Wilbert M. Curtis M. W. Grand Master
- Date: September 9, 2013

Subject: 2013 Mid-Winter Session

By the authority vested in the office of the Grand Master and in accordance with the Constitution of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas, Article III, Section 2, I, Wilbert M. Curtis, am hereby calling the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas into the 2013 Mid-Winter Session for degree work on November 8, 2013, a Special Session and workshops on November 9, 2013 at the Grand Masonic Temple, located 3433 M.L.K. Freeway, Ft. Worth, Texas. The headquarters hotel will be the Radisson Hotel North, 2540 Meacham Blvd, Fort Worth, Texas, 76106.

In support of the <u>5th Annual Prince Hall Masonic Family Toy Drive and Christmas Give-</u><u>Away</u>, each brother attending the Mid-Winter Session is asked to bring one un-wrapped toy for children 16 and under, with a minimum of 10 toys per lodge. (See and post enclosed flyer)

I am asking each District Deputy Grand Master to bring a minimum of 10 Fellow Craft Masons to be raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by the Grand Lodge Degree Team and the Grand Master. The Fellow Craftsmen will be required to register for the Mid-Winter Session. They are to report to the Grand Lecturer at 5:45 p.m. An occasional lodge will open promptly at 6:00 p.m. by **District Deputy Grady Peavy** and **Masonic District 19**. Ritualistic work will begin at 6:45 p.m. The Worshipful Master of the Fellow Craftsmen is responsible for properly preparing and clothing your candidates. <u>I want to raise a minimum of 100 Master Masons that night</u>. The dress for Master Masons is **Masonic Dress** for both Friday and Saturday Sessions.

The 2013 Mid-Winter Special Session will officially convene at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 9, 2013 at the Grand Masonic Temple to transact business that requires the attention of the Grand Lodge. Afterwards, the Grand Lodge will be called from labor to refreshment for the purpose of training, workshops and other presentations on topics of importance. This year's Mid-Winter session will include a lunch.

There is a \$25.00 per lodge registration fee and a \$25.00 advanced registration fee for each Master Mason that attends the Mid-Winter Session. The on-site registration will be \$35. (This includes candidates that will be raised at this Session). When you register for the Mid-winter Session you may make a \$5 donation for the WMCTPH Library Museum and the Christmas Gift Give-Away. (See the Mid-Winter Registration form) Donations for the library will help purchase a much needed document supplies to preserve our documents.

Note: The Subordinate Lodge, Master and both Wardens are required to register for the Mid-Winter Session whether or not they attend. Any lodge that does not fulfill these obligations will be declared un-square and will not be represented at the 2014 Grand Communication until the Mid-Winter Session obligations are fulfilled. It must be paid in order for the lodge and members of the lodge to participate in the Mid-Winter Special Grand Lodge Session and have a voice in the very important issues that will come before the Grand Body.

I look forward to seeing all of you there, ready to learn and ready to go to work.

Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly. I remain...

Fraternally yours,

Wilbert M. Curtis

Wilbert M. Curtis M. W. Grand Master

Attested by: Hubert & Reece

Hubert L. Reece R. W. Grand Secretary

