

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge

Free and Accepted Masons of Texas and Its Jurisdictions

Proclamation

To: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Master, Honorary Past Grand Masters, Past Masters, Honorary Past Masters, District Deputies and Special District Deputies, Worshipful Masters, Wardens, and Brethren

Date: September 11, 2023

Subject: 2023 Mid- Winter Session

By the authority vested in the office of Grand Master and in accordance with the Constitution of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas and Jurisdiction, Article III, Section 2, I, Michael T. Anderson, am hereby calling the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas into the 2023 Mid-Winter Session for degree work on November 10, 2023, a Special Session and workshops on November 11, 2023 at the Grand Masonic Temple, located at 3433 Martin Luther King Freeway (MLK), Ft. Worth, Texas. The headquarters hotel will be the **Holiday Inn Express 1111 W. Lancaster Ave. Fort Worth, Texas 76102, (817) 665-4213, November 10th and 11th. The price for the Mid-Winter Hotel, the rate is \$149 plus \$10/daily for parking.**

In support of the 15th Annual Prince Hall Masonic Family Toy Drive and Christmas Give-Away, each brother attending the Mid-Winter Session is asked to bring one unwrapped toy for children sixteen and under, with a minimum of ten toys per lodge.

Covid Protocol. Due to the recent rise in COVID cases across the state and nationally, before you can attend the Mid-Winter meeting, it will be necessary for you to visit the Medical Committee and be cleared each day. You will need to have your vaccination card or proof of a negative test result at least 48 hours before the meeting and fill out a liability form. After you have been cleared by the medical staff, you will receive a band that will be attached to your wrist showing that you have been cleared by the medical staff. There will be a distinct color band for each day. At that time, you can go to the registration desk and receive your advance registration package or register on-site. **This process includes the Fellowcrafts who will be attending to be raised. Covid Protocols will be strictly enforced, and masks will be optional. Worshipful Masters, please inform your Fellowcrafts of this process.**

All Fellowcraft Masons to be raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in the last quarter of this year will be raised by the Grand Lodge Degree Team and the Grand Master. The Fellowcraft will be required to register for the Mid-Winter Session. They are to report to the Grand Lecturer at 5:15 p.m. An occasional lodge will open promptly at 6 p.m. by **District Deputy William (Billy) Paige and Masonic District 19**. Ritualistic work will begin at 6:45 p.m. The Masters of the Fellowcraft is responsible for properly preparing and clothing your candidates. The dress for Master Masons is Masonic Dress on both Friday and Saturday.

At 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, the **Veteran Affairs Committee** will perform a POW/MIA Table of Honor. All veterans are encouraged to attend, and everyone is welcome to view this ceremony. Let us honor our armed forces members and show up to show how much we appreciate their service to this country. Remember “All Gave Some, Some Gave All.”

The 2023 Mid-Winter Session will officially convene at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 11, 2023, at the Grand Masonic Temple to transact business that requires the attention of the Grand Lodge. Afterward, The Grand Lodge will be called to refreshment for the purpose of training, workshops, and other presentations on topics of importance. Lunch is provided as part of the registration.

The Knights of the Noon Day Sun of District 20 will be hosting a “Motown Experience” featuring the “The Legendary Creators” Saturday night from 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. POC is George Daniels 903-506-6824 for ticket information and details.

There is a \$25.00 per Lodge Registration Fee and a \$25.00 advanced fee for each Master Mason who attends the Mid-Winter Session. The late or onsite registration will be \$40.00. **(This includes candidates that will be raised at the session.)** When you register for the Mid-Winter Session, you may make a \$5.00 donation for the WMCTPH Library Museum and the Christmas Toy Giveaway. (See the Mid-Winter registration form.) Donations for the library will be used to purchase much-needed supplies to preserve our documents.

Note: The Subordinate Lodge, Worshipful Master, and both Wardens are required to register for the Mid-Winter Session, whether they attend or not. Any Lodge that does not fulfill these obligations will be declared un-square and will not be represented at the 2024 Grand Communication until the Mid-Winter Session obligations are fulfilled. Registration must be paid for the members to participate in the Mid-Winter Special Grand Lodge Session and have a voice on the prominent issues that will come before the Grand Body. Advance Registration ends 10/31/23. **All Registration**, (online or mailed in,) received on or before 11/1/2023 will be considered as Late Registrations. Online Registration will end on 11/4/2023.

1. [Click Here to Register the Subordinate Lodge Online.](#)
2. [Click Here to Register to Register as Master Mason or Fellow Craft Online.](#)
3. Or complete the appropriate attached form (s.)

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

Take due notice of and govern yourselves accordingly.

Fraternally Yours



Michael T. Anderson
MWGM

Attested by: *J. C. Bittle*

Tracy C. Bittle
R.W. Grand Secretary



2023 Mid-Winter Session

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas

November 10 – November 11, 2023

Lodge Registration

(Please Print)

Complete this Lodge Registration Form for the Mid Winter Session. **Registration for Local Lodge and three principal officers is mandatory whether or not you attend.**

***A Local Lodge that fails to register for the Mid-Winter Session will forfeit all benefits and privileges.**

Lodge _____ No. _____

Lodge Registration Fee **\$25.00**

1. _____ WM \$25.00

2. _____ SW \$25.00

3. _____ JW \$25.00

Total Lodge and Officers Registration **\$100.00**

Will any of the Lodge Principal Officers be attending? (Yes or No) ____

Members of your local lodge that will be registering:

1. _____ \$ _____

2. _____ \$ _____

3. _____ \$ _____

4. _____ \$ _____

5. _____ \$ _____

6. _____ \$ _____

7. _____ \$ _____

8. _____ \$ _____

TOTAL Amount submitted (including Lodge & Officers Reg.) \$ _____

(see next page for additional instructions)

Please mail this form along with the individual Registration Form on or before October 31, 2023.

On Site Or Late Registration will be \$40.00.

Make check or money order payable to:

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas

P. O. Box 1478

Ft. Worth, Texas, 76101-1478

817-534-4612

Individual Registration is available online via the Grand Lodge website:

<http://www.mwphlotx.org/>.

Individual registration forms may be printed off from the Grand Lodge website.

2023 *Mid-Winter Session*

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Texas, PHA

Fort Worth, Texas

November 10-11, 2023

One Form Required Per Person – No Exceptions

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM

Lodge No. _____ Lodge Name _____

Name _____ Telephone # _____

Lodge Title _____ Grand Lodge Title _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Emergency Contact while
@ Mid-Winter Session _____ Telephone # _____

Registration Fee: (check the appropriate box(s))

Advance Registration (**POST MARKED ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 21, 2023**) \$25.00

Late and On Site Registration (**POST MARKED AFTER OCTOBER 21, 2023**) \$40.00

Voluntary Donation for Annual Christmas Gift-Give-Away \$5.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED \$ _____

****PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

I will attend Mid-Winter Session I will not attend Mid-Winter Session

"NO REFUNDS"

Registration Badges can be picked up (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) Friday, November 10, 2023, and Saturday, November 11, 2023 (8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.). Please mail completed form and registration fee to:

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P. O. Box 1478
Ft. Worth, TX. 76101-1478

2023 MID WINTER
HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Holiday Inn Express
1111 W Lancaster Ave
Ft Worth, Tx 76102

817-665-4213

Room Rates: \$149.00 plus tax
\$10 daily for parking

Make reservations under the name:
Prince Hall Grand Lodge

Deadline for Reservations:
Friday, October 27, 2023