



GRAND MASTER'S RESPONSE

CHRISTMAS 2022

To the Right Eminent Grand Prelate, to Members of the Committee on Religious Activities, and to all Knights wheresoever dispersed:

Knightly greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

A most sincere and heartfelt thank you from Lady Kim and me to the Right Eminent Grand Prelate, and the members of the Committee on Religious Activities for their warm and gracious toast this Christmas Season in the year of our Lord, 2022.

The toast offered is, I believe, a testament to the heart of all true believers and members of our beloved Order. The sentiment is such that I am not only deeply impressed by the noble appeal it makes but also by its urge for Christian Knights to renew with vigor their efforts to affect the ideals of the Order of Knights Templar.

At no time within the memory of our Sir Knights has our world and our Order swayed as much as now and lamentably there appears to be a letting down in matters spiritual. This is the season when we are inspired by the birth of the New Light, the New Life, the New Law from which comes the New Commandment – that you love one another.

Our hearts quickened by that command should spur every Templar to stand as a challenge against any force that would undermine the faith of our fathers. Let us not weaken, nor be discouraged; let us not forget that calm succeeds the storm and peace, comfort, and happiness will come to him who adheres to the right.

The Officers of the Grand Encampment and their ladies join with Lady Kim and me in wishing each of you and your families a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Courteously,

⚔️ *David J. Kussman*

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Grand Master



The foregoing toast to the Most Eminent Grand Master and his response thereto are transmitted to you with the request that you extend an invitation through the proper offices to all Sir Knights within your jurisdiction to join in the sentiments thus conveyed at some convenient hour, on or near the birthday of Christ, commonly called Christmas Day, December twenty-fifth, in the Year of Grace 2022.