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It is that time of year to come together in Christmas cheer. Meet with friends, family, colleagues, and others to celebrate, exchange gifts, and maybe even think of our Lord and Savior.

I encourage you to celebrate the Christmas holiday as you will. Visit with family if possible. Go to parties with friends. Cherish your loved ones. Spoil children and grandchildren with gifts. Ring bells for the Salvation Army and perhaps drop a coin or two in the kettle as you leave.

Donate an old, gently used coat or two to Coats for Kids if you have them. Help those less fortunate than you, or accept the help from those more fortunate than you. Smile to people who can use a nice gesture. Christmas is a great excuse for all these things.

Please don't let Christmas be the only time you reach out to your family, friends, and loved ones. Have a little Christmas all year round. Call your family, loved ones, and friends. Reach out to offer a hand or take the offered hand. Do this to show your respect for one another.

Most importantly, as our Grand Prelate, Kenneth A. Bales says in the address, "The Spirit of Christmas" Love One Another, Tolerate Differences, Be Kind, and Help your Fellow Man!

One more thought, remember that Christmas is also the beginning of longer days, with the Winter Solstice now being two or three days behind us. Spring will be around the corner.

Below is a list of Events and Christmas Observances that I am aware of. Please reach out to me or the Grand Commandery Office with your observance details.

- Palestine Commandery No. 20 Christmas Observance and Homecoming: December 22 at 6:30
 - RSVP SK Nicholas Schuh for more details



I look forward to hearing from you soon

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