

68TH TRIENNIUM
2018-2021
PROJECTS AND
PROGRESS



GEKT MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE GRAND
ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR IS:

GEKT MISSION STATEMENT

TO PROVIDE EVERY CHRISTIAN
FREEMASON THE OPPORTUNITY TO
EXTEND HIS MASONIC JOURNEY
THROUGH THE CHIVALRIC EXPERIENCE

GEKT VISION STATEMENT

THE VISION OF THE GRAND
ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR IS:

GEKT VISION STATEMENT

TEMPLARY CONTINUES TO BE THE MOST
PRESTIGIOUS MASONIC
ORGANIZATION. WE ARE A GROUP OF
MEN PROUD TO WEAR THE UNIFORM
OF THE CROSS WHO SHARE A
COMMON FAITH, MIND, AND SPIRIT.

GEKT VISION STATEMENT (cont.)

THROUGH THE PRACTICE OF CHRISTIAN
VIRTUES, WE TESTIFY TO THE WORLD
THAT WE ARE LEADERS IN OUR
COMMUNITY AND FRATERNITY.

GEKT VISION STATEMENT (cont.)

THIS DEMONSTRATES OUR COMMITMENT
TO UPHOLD A STANDARD OF
EXCELLENCE WITHIN FREEMASONRY.

MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ 68TH TRIENNIUM PRIORITY
- ▶ GENERAL ORDER NO. 5
- ▶ EXISTENTIAL PROBLEM THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED

MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ CONCEPT OF “CRITICAL MASS”
- ▶ **EVOLVE OR EVAPORATE**
- ▶ NEW MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE

PRESERVING TEMPLARY 2021

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- ▶ REVIEW CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, DISCIPLINARY RULES, STANDING RESOLUTIONS, CEREMONIES, FORMS, AND APPROVED DECISIONS
- ▶ COMPREHENSIVE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE SUBMITTED IN 2021

Knight Templar



KNIGHT TEMPLAR MOBILE APP

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- ▶ THE *KNIGHT TEMPLAR* IS NOW AVAILABLE ON A MOBILE APP
- ▶ MIGRATION ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED
- ▶ BETTER AVAILABILITY/LESS COST

KNIGHT TEMPLAR MOBILE APP

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- ▶ PHASE 1 – COMPLETE
- ▶ PHASE 2 – STATE SUPPLEMENTS
-- COMPLETE (AVAILABLE
1/1/20)
- ▶ PHASE 3 – ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ TEMPLAR EDUCATION COURSE
- ▶ ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAM
- ▶ TEMPLAR-SPECIFIC COURSE

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ TEMPLAR RITUAL
- ▶ MEDIEVAL KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
- ▶ HISTORY OF THE CRUSADES

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ MASONIC KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
- ▶ GRAND ENCAMPMENT HISTORY
- ▶ ESOTERIC TEMPLARY

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ CHURCH HISTORY
- ▶ STUDY OF RELIGION AND THEOLOGY
- ▶ BIBLIOGRAPHY/SUGGESTED READING
- ▶ COURSE-SPECIFIC BOOK

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ FIRST OFFERING “TEMPLAR RITUALIST” NOW AVAILABLE
- ▶ CONSISTS OF THREE COURSES, ONE FOR EACH ORDER
- ▶ TIMED, CLOSED BOOK, 30 Q MC QUIZ, ESSAY QUESTION

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ TEMPLAR RITUALIST
 - ▶ **COURSE 1:** ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS
 - ▶ **COURSE 2:** ORDER OF MALTA AND MEDITERRANEAN PASS
 - ▶ **COURSE 3:** ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ CERTIFICATIONS/BADGES
- ▶ EXEMPLARY ESSAYS PUBLISHED IN THE *KNIGHT TEMPLAR*
- ▶ ONE ESSAYIST RECOGNIZED AS A **TEMPLAR SCHOLAR** EACH TRIENNIUM

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ ORDER OF THE TEMPLE DVD
- ▶ COMPANION TO CURRENT ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS AND ORDER OF MALTA DVDs
- ▶ EDUCATIONAL TOOL ONLY
- ▶ BENEFICIAL FOR NON-US COMMANDERIES
- ▶ AVAILABLE BY **YEAR'S END**

TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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- ▶ “CLEAR TEXT” RITUAL
 - ▶ ENHANCE LEARNING OF RITUAL
 - ▶ NOW AVAILABLE
 - ▶ ORDER FROM GRAND RECORDER’S OFFICE

900TH ANNIVERSARIES

- ▶ 2018-19 – FOUNDING OF THE KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR
- ▶ 2020 – COUNCIL OF NABLUS
- ▶ OPPORTUNITY TO ORGANIZE AND HOST
SPECIAL EVENTS

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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- ▶ “IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS” HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE
- ▶ SKs, LADIES, FRIENDS, AND GUESTS
- ▶ MID-NOVEMBER OF ODD NUMBERED YEARS

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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- ▶ IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS
- ▶ NOVEMBER 11-21, 2019 (CLOSED)
- ▶ NOVEMBER 8 -18, 2021 (TENTATIVE)

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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- ▶ “KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE FOR SENIORS” (AND THOSE W/MILD MOBILITY ISSUES)
- ▶ SKs, LADIES, FRIENDS, AND GUESTS
- ▶ MID-NOVEMBER OF EVERY FOURTH EVEN NUMBERED YEAR

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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- ▶ KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOLY LAND
PILGRIMAGE FOR SENIORS
- ▶ NOVEMBER 9-19, 2020 (TENTATIVE)

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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- ▶ EXPLORING TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2020 AND 2021
- ▶ ITINERARIES MIGHT INCLUDE:
 - ▶ FRANCE, ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, IRELAND, PORTUGAL

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOURS

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THE GRAND MASTER'S TOUR OF
SCOTLAND AND ENGLAND

JULY 18 -27, 2020

EASTER OBSERVANCES 2020

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- ▶ 90TH ANNUAL EAST COAST EASTER OBSERVANCE
– ALEXANDRIA, VA
- ▶ 10TH ANNUAL WESTERN STATES EASTER
OBSERVANCE – DENVER, CO
- ▶ 8TH ANNUAL MID-AMERICA EASTER OBSERVANCE
– KANSAS CITY, MO

40 MILES PROJECT

- ▶ PURPOSE – IMPROVE THE CARE AND SUPPORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AND THEIR FAMILIES WHEREVER DISPERSED
- ▶ LED BY THE GRAND PRELATE W/THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ASSOCIATE GRAND PRELATES

40 MILES PROJECT

- ▶ INFORM GRAND PRELATE IF YOU BECOME AWARE OF A SIR KNIGHT/FAMILY MEMBER IN DISTRESS
- ▶ IN NEED OF ENCOURAGEMENT, SUPPORT, OR EVEN CONGRATULATIONS

40 MILES PROJECT

- ▶ GRAND OR ASSOCIATE GRAND PRELATE WILL SEND A PERSONAL NOTE OF ENCOURAGEMENT, SYMPATHY, OR CONGRATULATIONS
- ▶ CONTACT GRAND PRELATE THROUGH WEBSITE, EMAIL, PHONE, OR LETTER

YORK RITE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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- ▶ GROWTH AND ENHANCEMENT
 - ▶ LEADERSHIP 401 – COMMUNICATION SKILLS
 - ▶ COACHING AND MENTORING COMPONENT – UNDER REVIEW

YORK RITE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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- ▶ LEADERSHIP NOTES (PUBLISHED IN THE *KNIGHT TEMPLAR* AND WEBSITE MONTHLY)
 - ▶ 2/20 – “MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER”
 - ▶ 3/20 – “PURPOSE”
 - ▶ 4/20 – “FOCUS”

TEMPLAR RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

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- ▶ NEW MEMBERSHIP PATENT
- ▶ INCORPORATING HISTORICAL TEMPLAR SYMBOLISM
- ▶ NOW AVAILABLE

TEMPLAR RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

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- ▶ REDESIGNED CT, KCT, KGT, KTCH, MSM
- ▶ INCORPORATING CORRECT HERALDIC PRINCIPLES AND REFERENCES

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

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KTEF – NEW WEBSITE

www.ktef.org

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FDN

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- ▶ RULES REVISED 3/1/20
 - ▶ FLAT MGMT FEE -- \$500 PER ANNUM
 - ▶ SCHOLARSHIP MAXIMUM -- \$5,000
 - ▶ GRANT MAXIMUM -- \$5,000
 - ▶ FUNDS RETURNED – QUARTERLY RPT

Companion of the Temple - CT:

**The abbreviation of the Companion of the Temple is CT.
The new version has the option of a pin or a magnet attachment.**



Knight Commander of the Temple - KCT:

This award has been redesigned. Recipients of this award have the option of purchasing new design if they desire from the GEKT Grand Office.



Knight Grand Cross of the Temple - KGT:

This award has been redesigned. Recipients of this award have the option of purchasing new design if they desire from the GEKT Grand Office.



Knights Templar Cross of Honor - KTCH:

This award has been redesigned. Recipients of this award have the option of purchasing the new design if they desire from the GEKT Grand Office.



Grand Commandery Meritorious Service Medal: MSM

A Grand Commandery Meritorious Service Medal is available to all Commanderies to award to one of their worthy members. Only ONE (1) such award may be awarded in a calendar year. Each Commandery has the option of awarding this medal. This award is available from the GEKT Grand Office.



REVISED HONORARIUM FEE SCHEDULE

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- ▶ COMPANION OF THE TEMPLE (CT)
 - ▶ \$100

- ▶ KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE (KCT)
 - ▶ \$200

REVISED HONORARIUM FEE SCHEDULE

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- ▶ GRAND COMMANDERY MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (MSM)
 - ▶ \$100

- ▶ **EFFECTIVE – 7/16/19**

