

68TH TRIENNIUM
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

- ▶ PRIORITY Nos. 1, 2, AND 3
- ▶ GENERAL ORDER NO. 5
- ▶ EXISTENTIAL PROBLEM THAT **MUST** BE ADDRESSED

MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ CONCEPT OF “CRITICAL MASS”
- ▶ **EVOLVE OR EVAPORATE**
- ▶ IMPACT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

PRESERVING TEMPLARY 2021

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

TEMPLAR COMMUNICATION

- ▶ WEBSITE – www.knightstemplar.org
- ▶ LEADERSHIP NOTES
- ▶ *KNIGHT TEMPLAR*
- ▶ *KNIGHT TEMPLAR MOBILE APP*
 - ▶ STATE SUPPLEMENTS NOW AVAILABLE

Knights Templar



TEMPLAR EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ **TEMPLAR EDUCATION COURSE**
 - ▶ **ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAM**
 - ▶ *TEMPLAR RITUALIST* NOW AVAILABLE
 - ▶ **HISTORICAL KNIGHTS TEMPLAR**

- ▶ ORDER OF THE TEMPLE DVD

- ▶ “CLEAR TEXT” RITUAL
 - ▶ NOW AVAILABLE
 - ▶ HARD BOUND
 - ▶ SPIRAL BOUND

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES

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

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS
 - ▶ NOVEMBER 11-21, 2019
(INAUGURAL TOUR -- OVERSUBSCRIBED)
 - ▶ NOVEMBER 8-18, 2021 (PLANNED)

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES

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

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HOLY LAND
PILGRIMAGES FOR SENIORS
 - ▶ NOVEMBER 9-19, 2020 (**CANCELED**)
 - ▶ MID-NOVEMBER 2024 (PLANNED)

TEMPLAR TRAVEL AND TOUR OPPORTUNITIES

THE GRAND MASTER'S TOUR OF ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

RESCHEDULED FOR
MAY 15 – 24, 2021

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 LEARN 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 SYMPATHY, ENCOURAGEMENT, OR
CONGRATULATIONS

40 MILES PROJECT

- ▶ CONTACT GRAND PRELATE THROUGH WEBSITE, EMAIL, PHONE, OR LETTER

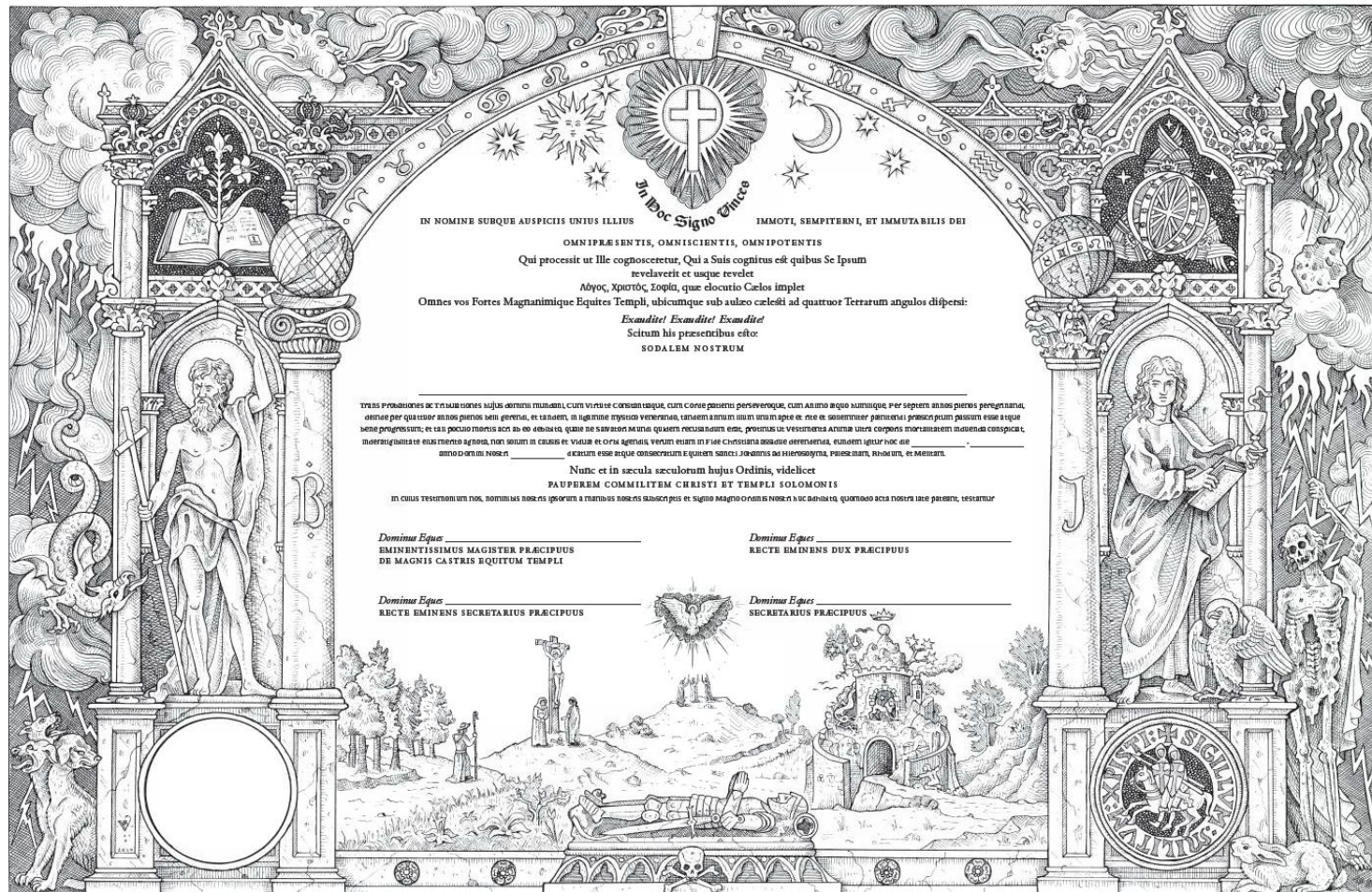
- ▶ **ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE IN THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES**

YORK RITE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

- ▶ GROWTH AND ENHANCEMENT
 - ▶ LEADERSHIP 401 – COMMUNICATION SKILLS (NOW INTEGRATED)
 - ▶ LEADERSHIP NOTES

TEMPLAR RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

- ▶ NEW MEMBERSHIP PATENT --
INCORPORATING HISTORICAL
TEMPLAR SYMBOLISM
- ▶ NEW SIR KNIGHTS – COMPLIMENTARY
- ▶ EXISTING SIR KNIGHTS -- \$45 TO Gr
Rec



TEMPLAR RECOGNITION, AWARDS, AND HONORS

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

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
- ▶ PAST RECIPIENTS MAY PURCHASE NEW DESIGN FROM GRAND RECORDER'S 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.

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Knights Templar Cross of Honor – KTCH:

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



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (MSM)

- ▶ CONSTITUENT COMMANDERY AWARD
- ▶ GEKT APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED
- ▶ ONE PER YEAR – RECOMMENDED
- ▶ AVAILABLE FROM GR'S OFFICE -- \$100



KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FDN

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

68TH TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE

MARRIOTT MINNEAPOLIS CITY CENTER

AUGUST 14-18, 2021

