

2023 Grand Chapter Program
“Standing on The Promises of God”

Theme:

God’s promises are like the Stars;
the darker the night, the brighter they shine.

Purpose:

To assist and support our Youth
as they are the promise and hope of the future.

Foremost Objectives:

Scottish Rite Charities, Shrine Hospitals for Children,
Youth and Christian Scholarships, Rainbow and DeMolay,
Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library

Guide:

The Holy Bible

Symbols:

The Cross - A promise of God’s ultimate love and of eternal life.

The Rainbow - God’s beautiful promise that He would never again destroy the world.

Angels - A promise to the shepherds that Jesus Christ had been born and a promise of God’s protection to us today.

Star - A promise of the baby Jesus to the Wise Men and a symbol of our beautiful Order.

Praying Hands - A symbol of our thanks to God for His wonderful promises, blessings and love.

The American Flag - A symbolic promise of a free and democratic country.

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Scriptures:

John 3:16 - “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

Philippians 4:13 - “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

Proverbs 3: 5-6 - “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and He shall direct thy paths.”

Ephesians 4:32 - “And be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you.”

Psalms 121:1-2 - “I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.”

2 Chronicles 7:14 - “If my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive them sin and will heal their land.”

1 Corinthians 13:13 - “And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.”

Genesis 9:13 & 15 - “I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth...And I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh, and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.”



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Hymns:

Amazing Grace	God of Our Fathers
Standing on the Promises of God	Just a Closer Walk with Thee
Lift High The Cross	Blessed Assurance
Holy, Holy, Holy	Love Lifted Me
Just As I Am	Sweet Beulah Land
Because He Lives	

Songs:

We've Only Just Begun	I can Only Imagine
Somewhere Over the Rainbow	Lollipop
God Bless the USA	Mary, Did You Know
Walking in Memphis	Thank You for the Music
Climb Every Mountain	Coat of Many Colors



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Colors of the Rainbow:

Red	Orange
Yellow	Green
Blue	Indigo
Violet	

Fun Symbols:

<i>Laurel's:</i>	Gnomes	Minnie Mouse	Peacock
<i>Tommy's:</i>	Hot Wheels	Popeye	Saxophone

Flowers:

Daisy	Red Rose	Iris	Daffodil
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Chapter Honor Award

The Honor Award will be given to the chapters who strive to attain the ideals of our Order. Please familiarize yourself with Chapter 21 of the Constitution and Code of Laws regarding the Duties of Subordinate Chapters. To qualify, a chapter must complete a total of ten (ten) related activities from the list below and must include the six (6) marked with an asterisk (*). Remember to keep record of these activities throughout the year.

- * Honor our founder, Dr. Rob Morris, in August.
 - * **No part of the Ritual is to be copied.** (Page 167 in Ritual)
 - * Exemplify the initiatory work, mock or real, two (2) times during the year.
 - * Renew the obligation two (2) times during the year.
 - * Provide the following educational programs and record in the minutes: 2 from the Ritual, 2 from the Constitution and Code of Laws, 2 from the Book of Instruction, 1 from the Chapter By-Laws and review the Secretary's Official Visit checklist.
 - * Perform this year's Service Challenge by assisting our youth.
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- ◆ Recognize and honor 25- and 50-year members.
 - ◆ Honor Masons, Veterans and First Responders.
 - ◆ Assign a prompter who has the only Ritual open during the meeting.
 - ◆ Hold a friendship night or District fellowship meeting.
 - ◆ Worthy Patron is to work with officers on proficiency of their work, Consider designating practice time other than stated meetings.
 - ◆ Officers and members are encouraged to attend a practice with the Grand Instructor.
 - ◆ Encourage 100% Officers attendance at School of Instruction.
 - ◆ Collect "TABS" for the Shriners' Hospitals.
 - ◆ Perform community service activities, such as volunteering at a nursing home or hospital, cleaning up parks or neighborhoods, donating blood. Report all community activities with pictures to the Eastern Star Journal.

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Service Challenge:

Our Community Project is to work with and support the youth of Tennessee. Some examples are:

- ◆ Assist and encourage Rainbow Assemblies and DeMolay Chapters.
- ◆ Collect books and/or monetary contributions for your local library.
- ◆ Donate stuffed animals to law enforcement agencies so they can give to children who are removed from stressful or dangerous situations.
- ◆ Help with the various Scottish Rite Valleys' aid to our youth, e.g. the shoe program.
- ◆ Hold fund raising events to benefit our Youth Scholarship and Christian Scholarship programs.
- ◆ Start a chapter scholarship to assist the youth of your community.
- ◆ Adopt a family with children and provide food, clothes and toys anytime throughout the year but especially at Christmas.
- ◆ Support schools by providing supplies or giving donations.

Do not limit your efforts to the above examples in aiding the youth of our beautiful state but work to give a helping hand to our future .



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Visitation - Rolling with the Gnomies

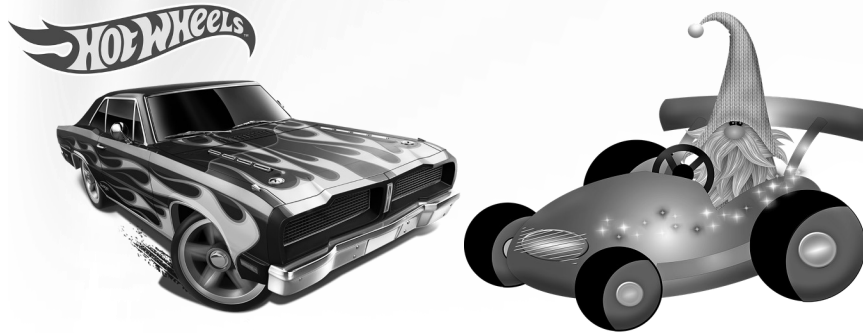
Begin counting visits March 1, 2023 and end February 29, 2024.

Appoint a chapter chairman.

- ◆ One visit for each chapter's stated, special or called meetings, including your own chapter meetings.
- ◆ One visit for each day attending Grand Chapter (up to 4). You may count other Grand Chapters attended.
- ◆ One visit for each official visit that you attend. Joint meetings count as two visits, if chapters have a quorum.
- ◆ One visit for each Grand Representative, Past Matron/Past Patron, Line Officer meeting and Section luncheons.
- ◆ One visit for each practice with Grand Instructor.
- ◆ One visit for each School of Instruction that you attend.
- ◆ One visit for attending Rainbow Assembly and/or DeMolay Conclave (up to 2 for each).
- ◆ One visit for each Masonic District meeting that you attend.
- ◆ Members will receive a visitation pin upon reaching twenty-five (25) visits.

Awards will be given at Grand Chapter for the most visits to the individual, the Chapter with less than 100 members and the Chapter with 100 or more members.

Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers and "Promise Keepers" (trailers) are not eligible for the individual award but their visits will count toward the Chapter awards.



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Committee Responsibilities

Benevolence Committee:

Appoint a Chapter chairman.

- ◆ Contact shut-ins and inactive members with phone calls, cards and visits.
- ◆ Remember our sisters on Eastern Star Maintenance with cards and gifts throughout the year.
- ◆ Work with the Chapter's Youth Committee Chairman to fulfill the Service Challenge, such as adopting a family with children at Christmas.
- ◆ Support local food banks, nursing homes, libraries and schools.
- ◆ Greet and welcome guest and new members.

Health Committee:

Appoint a Chapter chairman.

- ◆ Collect "TABS" for Shriners Hospitals or for a local charity. Keep records of these donations for the annual report to Grand Chapter.
- ◆ Provide education on two (2) health related topics.
- ◆ Donate bottled water or a meal to local First Responders (Police and Fire Departments, Rescue Squads).
- ◆ Provide water and snacks to hospital waiting rooms, treatment centers or blood drives.
- ◆ Donate travel size personal hygiene items for families staying away from home at a Ronald McDonald House, for example, and for women's abuse shelters.
- ◆ When possible, identify these items as being donated by the Order of the Eastern Star.

Youth Committee:

Appoint a Chapter chairman.

- ◆ Support Rainbow, DeMolay or any youth organization.
- ◆ Be responsible for fulfilling this year's Service Challenge in supporting our youth.

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Masonic Relations and Masonic Charities Committee:

Appoint a Chapter chairman.

- ◆ Strive to strengthen relationships with all Masonic bodies.
- ◆ Honor the Masons during the year by providing food at their meetings and officer installations and assist in fund raisers.
- ◆ Hold a joint family social event, such as a meal, to show our appreciation to the Masons.
- ◆ Encourage all members, sisters and brothers, to attend a District Meeting.

Education and Membership Committee:

Appoint a Chapter chairman.

- ◆ Share the secretary's Official Visit checklist with the members.
- ◆ Contact all chapter members regarding information about meetings, projects and activities. Consider establishing a Chapter FaceBook page to provide this information. If you desire, this page can be private so only your Chapter members can view.
- ◆ Invite inactive members to attend Chapter stated and special meetings and participate in Chapter activities.
- ◆ Assign a "big sister" or "big brother" to new members and consider having an orientation for these members to discuss our Ritual, Book of
- ◆ Instruction, Constitution and Code of Laws and calendar.
- ◆ Assist and share your knowledge and experience to benefit others.



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Membership Challenge

Competition Rules

(An Aid to Encourage Membership Growth)

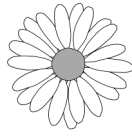
The Chapter with the highest total number of points will win the **Membership Challenge Trophy**. It will be awarded based on a point system as prescribed by the Worthy Grand Matron each year.

Points will be awarded as indicated below for the year 2023-2024 beginning **April 1, 2023, and running through March 31, 2024.**

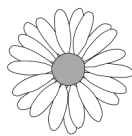
- ◆ A chapter having no demits to other chapters in the state or suspension of members will receive 25 points.
- ◆ Each chapter that sustains a loss due to suspension or demit will lose 5 points for each suspension or demit.
- ◆ Each chapter that affiliates a new member from a chapter OUT of STATE will receive 5 points for each affiliating member.
- ◆ For each reinstatement, 15 points will be awarded.
- ◆ For each new member initiated, 10 points will be awarded; an additional 5 points will be awarded if the new member is an active member of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls.
- ◆ There will be no loss of points when a chapter suffers a loss due to death.
- ◆ In the event of a tie, the chapter gaining the most NEW members (those initiated) will be declared the winner.
- ◆ Dual membership within the state of Tennessee will not count toward the total score/points.
- ◆ In the event of chapters merging, the gaining chapter will receive 2 points for each member merging from the chapter surrendering its charter.

The 3 R'S To Membership

Recruiting - Retention - Reinstatement



Worthy Grand Matron



Sister Laurel Harrison

Bartlett O.K. Houck #216

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Memphis, TN 38134-7608

Phone: Home (901) 372-6888
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Birthday: March 14

Anniversary: August 3

Trailer: Joe Harrison

Church: Bartlett United Methodist

Occupation: Retired Banker

Colors: Emerald Green, Red

Favorite Foods: Seafood

Hobbies: Reading, Needlepoint

Flowers: Daisies, Daffodils

Collectibles: Donations to Worthy Grand
Matron's Foremost Objectives



Worthy Grand Patron



Brother Tommy Reeves
Normal Whitehaven #43

Address:	2954 Carnton Drive Germantown, TN 38138
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Birthday:	October 2
Anniversary:	June 27
Trailer:	Marsha Reeves
Church:	Collierville First Baptist
Occupation:	Business Management
Colors:	Green
Favorite Foods:	Steak, Chicken, Seafood
Hobbies:	Grand children, Photography
Flowers:	Roses
Sports:	Football
Collectibles:	Hot Wheels, Western Novels



Elected Grand Officers



Grand Secretary



Lawanna Johnson, PGM

Camden #121

Address:	P.O. Box 245 Sandy, TN 38221
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Birthday:	July 11th
Anniversary:	July 15th
Trailer:	Jerold Johnson
Church:	
Occupation:	Registered Dietitian
Colors:	Coral & Black
Favorite Foods:	Pizza & Steak
Hobbies:	Play Piano, Work Outside- Yardwork
Flowers:	Fresh, Ferns
Sports:	UT Football, Basketball, Predator Hockey
Collectibles:	Wind chimes



Grand Treasurer

Eddie Yaun, PGP
Mizpah #62

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Birthday:	September 6
Trailer:	Johnnie Mae Bixler, PGM
Church:	Baptist
Occupation:	Truck Equipment Sales
Colors:	Blue
Favorite Foods:	Lemon Pie
Hobbies:	Sports, Grandchildren
Flowers:	Red Roses
Sports:	Baseball, Basketball, & Football
Collectibles:	Bird Houses



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*Associate Grand
Matron*



Rita Hill

Lenior #188

Address:	1022 Muddy Creek Road Lenoir City, TN 37772
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Birthday:	April 22
Anniversary:	June 2
Trailer:	J.R. Hill
Church:	Central United Methodist
Occupation:	Retired Manicurist
Colors:	Blue, Purple, Silver
Favorite Foods:	Italian
Hobbies:	Quilting, Knitting, Reading
Flowers:	Sunflowers, Roses, Hydrangea
Sports:	UT Football
Collectibles:	Thimbles, Lawn & Garden Décor'



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Associate Grand Patron



Rob Mays
Martha Dandridge #438

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Birthday:	June 23
Anniversary:	February 3
Trailer:	Sharolyn Mays
Church:	Hills Union (Methodist)
Occupation:	Retired
Colors:	Red, White, Blue
Favorite Foods:	BBQ, Burgers & Veggies
Hobbies:	Motorcycles, Garden work, Visiting
Flowers:	Rose, Red & White
Sports:	Football & BMX Racing
Collectibles:	USMC Memorabilia, Scottish rite Shoe Program



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*Grand
Conductress*



Teena Barnett

Loretto #472

Address:	260 Rabbit Trail Road Leoma, TN 38468
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Birthday:	November 13
Anniversary:	June 28
Trailer:	Roger Barnett
Church:	First Baptist Church Leoma
Occupation:	Retired Teacher /School Counselor
Colors:	Blue
Favorite Foods:	Cheesecake, Soups/Stews
Hobbies:	Playing Piano, Gardening, Listening to music
Flowers:	Sunflower, Seasonal
Sports:	Football, Cheerleading
Collectibles:	Small antique/vintage pill boxes and hand-me-down recipes



Elected Grand Officers



*Associate Grand
Conductress*



Dottie Whalen
Henderson #120

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Birthday:	July 13th
Anniversary:	December 17th
Trailer:	Bettye Perry
Church:	Concordia Lutheran Church
Occupation:	USDA NRCS Administrative Support Assistant
Colors:	All shades Blue, Red, UT Orange
Favorite Foods:	Chocolate & all Fruits
Hobbies:	Grandchildren/Family time, Trav- eling, Baking/Cooking & Crafts
Flowers:	Fireweed, Iris, Hydrangea, Peony
Sports:	UT Football
Collectibles:	Polish Pottery, Birdhouses, Wind chimes & Crosses



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Grand Chaplain



Deborah Scott Norwood
Normal Whitehaven #43

Address:	7423 Bakers Glenn Lane
	Cordova, TN 38018
Phone:	C 901-827-4431
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Birthday:	October 22
Trailer:	Ralph Scott
Church:	Bellevue Baptist Church
Occupation:	Retired
Colors:	Burgundy & Pink
Favorite Foods:	Steak & Italian
Hobbies:	Spending time with Grand Daughter
Flowers:	Pink roses
Sports:	U.T. Football -U ofM Basketball
Collectibles:	St. Jude donations



Grand Marshal

Linda Grice Shirley
Mt. Carmel #490

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Birthday:	12/15/1956
Trailer:	Elainia Arnold
Church:	Faith Baptist Church
Occupation:	Information Technology
Colors:	Turquoise, blues, greens
Favorite Foods:	Turnip Greens, Pizza, Strawberries
Hobbies:	Sewing, Photography, Gardening
Flowers:	Roses, Peonies, Buttercups
Sports:	NASCAR, baseball, basketball, swimming
Collectibles:	Pictures of my boys and Grandchildren



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Grand Organist



Danny Blanton Hall

Winchester #196

Address:	2893 Williams Cove Road
	Winchester, TN 37398
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Birthday:	March 21
Trailer:	Greta Hall (Sister)
Church:	Harris Chapel UMC
Occupation:	Police Officer (Ret/THP)
Colors:	Green
Favorite Foods:	Steak, Lobster
Hobbies:	Playing piano, 4 Wheeling, Shooting Pistol
Flowers:	Iris
Sports:	Baseball
Collectibles:	Pocket Knives, Convention song books



Grand Adah

Debbie Ledford
Greenville #233

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Email:	oestard1@gmail.com
Birthday:	July 28
Anniversary:	November 1
Trailer:	Skip Ledford
Church:	Cedar Creek Presbyterian
Occupation:	Semi-retired
Colors:	All Colors
Favorite Foods:	Sea food, Chocolate, Mexican
Hobbies:	Gardening, working in yard, Facebook, traveling, reading
Flowers:	All Flowers
Sports:	"Go Team"
Collectibles:	Pull tabs for Shiners



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Grand Ruth



Glenda Lewis
Betsy Ross #272

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Birthday:	February 20th
Trailer:	Jane Bowne, GGCM
Church:	Calvery Baptist Church
Occupation:	Retired
Colors:	Lavender
Favorite Foods:	Italian and Country Cooking
Hobbies:	Sewing, Traveling, Reading
Flowers:	Roses
Sports:	Watching T-Ball
Collectibles:	Angels



Grand Esther

Sharon Wigginton Mixon
Bartlett O.K. Houck #216

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Birthday:	May 9
Anniversary:	February 15
Trailer:	Charlie Mixon
Church:	Bartlett Hills Baptist
Occupation:	Mary Kay Consultant
Colors:	Teals/Blues
Favorite Foods:	Mexican/Desserts
Hobbies:	Gardening/Reading
Flowers:	Magnolia
Sports:	Atlanta Braves Baseball
Collectibles:	Hull or McCoy Pottery/Donation to WGM's Foremost Objectives



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Grand Martha



Beth Truebger
Mizpah #62

Address:	248 N, Yates Road Memphis, TN 38120
Phone:	C 901-606-3617
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Birthday:	October 15
Anniversary:	July 14
Trailer:	Hal Truebger
Church:	St. Luke United Methodist
Occupation:	Retired Medical Secretary
Colors:	Shades of Purple and Blue
Favorite Foods:	Steak and Desserts
Hobbies:	Playing the Piano & Grandson
Flowers:	Roses and Orchids
Sports:	College & Professional Football
Collectibles:	Angels & Nutcrackers



Grand Electa

Teresa Harville Carey

Hamblen #31

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Birthday:	October 4th
Anniversary:	May 14th
Trailer:	Janie Marshall
Church:	First Baptist Church of Bean Station
Occupation:	Chief Deputy Clerk & Master
Colors:	Red & Burgundy
Favorite Foods:	Fried Potatoes, Fried Okra & any sweets
Hobbies:	Scrapbooking, Reading, Camping
Flowers:	4 o'clock
Sports:	Any spot my grandchildren play
Collectibles:	Snowman, Paper Weights & Scrapbook supplies



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Grand Warder



Judy D. Anthony
Greenbrier #469

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Birthday:	June 9
Anniversary:	April 8
Trailer:	Robert Todd
Church:	Ebenezer Baptist Church
Occupation:	Nurse Retired
Colors:	Red
Favorite Foods:	Steak and Sea Food
Hobbies:	Reading and Sewing
Flowers:	Sunflowers and Gladiolas
Sports:	Football
Collectibles:	Christmas Snow Village



Grand Sentinel

Billy Joe Seaton
Woodlawn #74

Address:	175 Needmore road Henderson, TN 38340
Phone:	C 731-983-0532
Email:	bjseaton@yahoo.com
Birthday:	February 3
Anniversary:	Widowed
Trailer:	Kay Rickman, PGM
Church:	New Friendship Baptist
Occupation:	Retired U of TN, Memphis
Colors:	Blue & Gold
Favorite Foods:	Mexican, meat of any kind
Hobbies:	Large Scale (G) Trains, wood working
Flowers:	Hosta
Sports:	Zip Line, Fishing
Collectibles:	Train Memorabilia



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