



GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
ESTABLISHED NOVEMBER 1876

WASHINGTON, D. C., *May 15th, 1936.*

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN STAR:

Only a short time before the death of Brother John Hammill he called at the office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary and in conversation concerning the New Eastern Star Temple and the raising of funds for its maintenance, suggested that a letter containing the comparative amounts contributed by the Grand Chapters together with a statement of the number of members in each Grand Jurisdiction and the amount contributed by each would make it plain as to the 100% status of the Grand Chapters. Such a statement has been prepared and is being forwarded with this to Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers and Temple Committees for their information.

We find that only a few members know that the General Grand Chapter receives no money from any Grand Chapter for its maintenance and we now present several reasons why we believe members of the Eastern Star should be glad to cooperate for the Temple.

- 1.—The General Grand Chapter was organized in 1876, sixty years ago.
- 2.—It has never received one cent from any Grand Chapter for its expenses.
- 3.—The General Grand Chapter pays the expenses of the Officers and Committee Members to the Triennial Assemblies.
- 4.—This is the first time in its history that it has ever promoted a plan that called for contributions of money from members or from Grand Chapters.
- 5.—The General Grand Chapter believes that there are but few members who have not derived some pleasure from membership in the Eastern Star.
- 6.—The General Grand Chapter with two million members, consisting of the most worth-while people in the country, believes it is worthy of a permanent home.
- 7.—The General Grand Chapter believes the Eastern Star has justified its existence and should be perpetuated.
- 8.—The General Grand Chapter believes that if the Eastern Star has meant anything to a member and given any pleasure or benefit, the member will be willing to cooperate at this time for the permanent maintenance of the new Temple.
- 9.—Other organizations have Temples which raise their roofs to the sky and we believe the Star in the East should shine down on one exclusively belonging to the Eastern Star.
- 10.—This is the time to show to all the world that we are a harmonious progressive organization, serving our fellow man by cooperating in the Temple Plan.

11.—The Temple is ours. It is paid for. It will soon be in readiness for occupancy. It is outstanding in architecture and beauty.

12.—This Temple Plan asking your assistance is not a demand; it is not an assessment; it is an opportunity to show your loyalty to the Order.

Membership from 1934 Report Grand General Chapter

	<i>Members</i>	<i>Contributions</i>		<i>Membership</i>	<i>Contribution</i>
ALABAMA	11,503	\$ 4,948.41	NEW MEXICO	5,290	\$2,873.66
ALBERTA	4,933	2,042.00	NORTH CAROLINA	5,699	3,042.43
ARIZONA	5,167	4,493.91	NORTH DAKOTA	10,387	11,987.37
ARKANSAS	11,237	6,726.55	OHIO	118,289	5,587.47
BRITISH COLUMBIA	4,854	239.64	OKLAHOMA	35,968	5,508.99
CALIFORNIA	101,511	5,768.85	ONTARIO	24,355	1,850.00
COLORADO	23,549	704.00	OREGON	23,788	366.25
CONNECTICUT	27,430	475.08	PENNSYLVANIA	85,463	14,582.45
DELAWARE	1,795	699.05	PORTO RICO	446	255.25
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	11,656	11,595.26	QUEBEC	2,646	254.25
FLORIDA	14,206	10,149.30	RHODE ISLAND	7,975	6,263.37
GEORGIA	7,494	8,847.59	SASKATCHEWAN	4,783	392.00
IDAHO	7,447	557.00	SOUTH CAROLINA	3,426	713.45
ILLINOIS	163,633	32,283.07	SOUTH DAKOTA	18,123	1,681.10
INDIANA	79,880	1,109.00	TENNESSEE	18,792	9,781.62
IOWA	70,176	11,595.26	TEXAS	58,488	11,441.72
KANSAS	58,668	2,592.69	UTAH	2,791	968.00
KENTUCKY	22,595	2,771.00	VERMONT	12,396	404.14
LOUISIANA	14,258	1,304.13	VIRGINIA	9,248	4,235.28
MAINE	33,293	75.00	WASHINGTON	36,360	786.00
MANITOBA	1,999	207.25	WEST VIRGINIA	15,393	2,688.18
MARYLAND	12,790	5,724.26	WISCONSIN	52,113	1,133.18
MASSACHUSETTS	57,314	4,323.15	WYOMING	6,683	6,206.10
MICHIGAN	92,333	1,173.00	ALASKA CHAPTERS All 100% except One		
MINNESOTA	47,763	12,859.27	CANAL ZONE CHAPTERS All 100%		
MISSISSIPPI	9,262	2,819.88	CHINA CHAPTERS All 100% except One		
MISSOURI	71,718	3,928.02	HAWAII CHAPTERS All 100% except Four		
MONTANA	16,930	4,572.58	CUBA CHAPTERS All 100%		
NEBRASKA	33,710	3,387.58	NOVA SCOTIA CHAPTER One, 100%		
NEVADA	2,819	1,267.17	MEXICO CHAPTER 100%		
NEW BRUNSWICK	1,118	66.00	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND None 100%		
NEW HAMPSHIRE	12,491	1,904.86	PHILIPPINE ISLANDS 100%		
			YUKON 100%		

We know that some Grand Chapters are accumulating funds and that they will be forwarded according to their plans for disbursing funds.

You will observe that several Grand Chapters are 100% contributors. That several are over 50% contributors and some have not yet begun to take the active part they should. If our little subordinate Chapters in far away places can each one pay their \$1.00 per member it would seem that every chapter could. If you can give an extra dollar for some one who would like to give but cannot, you are fulfilling your Obligation to serve your fellow man.

We trust you will appreciate China's offer to contribute a Chinese Bible and take the necessary steps to procure one.

FRANCES HAUN,
Most Worthy Grand Matron.

WILLIAM A. DUVALL,
Most Worthy Grand Patron.

MINNIE E. KEYES,
Right Worthy Grand Secretary.