

**Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons
Of the State of South Carolina**

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**Theme: "Through God, we will Enrich our families, Empower our children,
While Enhancing our community"**

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July 26, 2021

To: All Members of the Prince Hall Family of the Jurisdiction of South Carolina
From: E. Spencer Scott, I, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master

Re: Re-opening of the Jurisdiction

Greetings:

On March 16, 2020, I issued a directive cancelling all masonic functions (meetings of any kind, fundraisers, community service, banquets, etc.) of all masonic bodies, within the Jurisdiction of South Carolina due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The directive was necessary due to the declaration of a National State of Emergency by the President of the United States and the recommendations issued by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the South Carolina Department of Health (DHEC).

After a lot of prayer and consultation with many of the Grand Lodge Officers I have decided to issue the following:

As we are slowly moving back into opening and attending lodge and chapter meetings it is my directive that EVERYONE attending any lodge or chapter meeting must either show proof of vaccination or proof of a negative covid test within seven (7) days prior to meeting. Worshipful Masters and Worthy Matrons shall be responsible for having someone designated to make sure all that attend have followed this directive. If a member is not willing to show proof or cannot show proof then they can and will be denied entry. Please understand that this directive is an attempt to keep all of our members safe as we try to get back to our regular business. These measures are in ADDITION to the previous safety measures that have been directed.

The business of the Grand Lodge will continue to be transacted via U. S. Mail, email, telephone, and/or facsimile, however, the new hours of operation will be Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. effective August 2, 2021. You may either call the office at (803)254-7210 to make orders from our bookstore. If the office staff is not present, you can leave a message to place your order. Another option is, there is an order form on the website that may be downloaded and mailed in to make any order as well.

Take notice and govern yourselves accordingly!

Fraternally,

E. Spencer Scott, I, 33°

Most Worshipful Grand Master

Conservator of Masons of South Carolina

• Deceased