



# Grand Commandery Knights Templar

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## Grand Commanders Response Christmas 2017

To the Eminent Grand Prelate Raymond E. Davies, the Committee on Religious Activities and all Knights Templar of California;

My most sincere thanks to Sir Knight and Reverend Raymond E. Davies, Eminent Grand Prelate, for his humbling toast incorporating my theme as Grand Commander. I offer my deepest heartfelt thanks to my brother Knights Templar and friends for this toast. I continue to do my best each day in leading the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of California.

My Lady Pam and I give thanks to almighty God every day for the precious gifts he has allowed us to share. During this time of year, not only do we give thanks to God for the precious gift of His only son, Jesus Christ but we also count our blessings for our amazing family who have been by our side all through this amazing year.

Our spirits are filled with wonder as we reflect upon the aspects of our Savior's birth. We remember how his extended earthly family did not make room for Him then, and how some still do the same today. How pleasant it is to be among those who know how to properly honor the memory of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the basis of our faith and everlasting life. As it is written in Matthew 2:10 "When they saw the star, they were overjoyed," I pray that you will all see that star during this Christmas season and have that same overjoyed feeling.

With my Lady by my side, I give thanks and praise to God for all the members of the Grand Commandery who made it possible for me to have the privilege of serving as your Grand Commander. The Officers of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of California and their Ladies join with my Lady Pam and me in wishing each of you and your families a most blessed Christmas Season as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Merry Christmas,

Thomas N. Thomas

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