



Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Epsilon Mu Mu Chapter



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Reclamation, Economic Development, and Social Action through Friendship!

Brothers, I bid you greetings and happy New Year!

I hope and pray that your celebration of the birth of Christ our Lord, Kwanzaa, and the New Year brought you comfort, joy, and a renewed spirit and energy to serve those things you hold near and dear to your heart. For those brothers who lost a loved one or are dealing with the challenges that life may bring, I send my heartfelt condolences and will continue to pray for you and your families. The executive council and I stand ready to assist where we can.

As we begin our journey into 2023, let US focus on **FRIENDSHIP**, building new bonds and/or re-establishing lost connections to strengthen our brotherly relationships and our chapter! It is our first objective to reclaim the sons and members of Epsilon Mu Mu, then brothers who live in or have moved to MacDill/Tampa area. Lastly, we must extend the right hand of friendship to visiting brothers.

You may have read the most recent message from our 7th District Rep. If not, he stated:

You may be asking the question why “**FRIENDSHIP**” why now? The following are but a few points of contention.

- Being at odds with our brand image and lifestyle comes at great cost in terms of securing and retaining strategic partners and sponsors (**Economic Development and Social Action.**)
- Member retention or lack thereof can be directly related to the absence of “**FRIENDSHIP**”. Christian Manhood (Character) and what the Founders espoused have been replaced by machismo and toxic bravado.
- Living the Creed that is Omega and embracing all our cardinal principles.

I am enthusiastic to what this year will bring as we live our creed and **do the work** of Omega! I look forward to the effort to turn the 8 into the 80, but this can only happen if we move and work together as a body. Feel free to reach out to the executive council for any recommendations, changes, and/or edits. We will follow up with a calendar of social action events, which will require your committee’s input, by-laws review, events we may not be tracking, and most importantly...celebrations of life shout outs!

Sources:

- 7th District Representative message: Re-Kindling the Essence of Omega; where Friendship Comes First!
- The ‘Lecture on Friendship’ from our Ritual
- The History of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity by Founder, Bishop Edgar Amos Love

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