

Brethren,

The 10-Year Planning Committee, is excited to announce TWO new courses: Masonry 101 and Leadership 101. Both will be unveiled and have their inaugural classes at the 200th Grand Lodge Session.

Due to limited seating, each lodge is requested to recommend 1 brother to attend each of these initial training events. The courses are \$25 for each attendee. Payment to be remitted on the morning of the course, at Grand Lodge. It is recommended, where possible, that the lodge pay the course fees for its brethren, in consideration that these courses are an investment to the lodge.

Leadership 101: Friday, March 9th, 2018 – 8-10am

The 10-Year Planning Committee has discovered that the number one issue around the state is a lack of leadership. This course will be used as a tool to improve our future leaders, and in turn improve Freemasonry in Mississippi.

Focused on the up-and-coming lodge officer (primarily recommended for the Junior Warden, but any may attend), this course will focus on everything a member needs to know about how to rule and govern a lodge. Each participant will receive a copy of the Officer's Handbook, as a supplement to the information taught during the course.

A lot of work, and re-work, has gone into this program, and we are confident that you will be able to walk away with a lot of new information and many valuable new skills. Do not let your lodge be the only one in your area that misses out on the opportunity to receive this training.

Masonry 101: Saturday, March 10th, 2018 – 8-10am

Catechism is only the beginning of what a Freemason should know. This course delves into the answers for the questions about Masonry that all Freemasons have had. Focused on the newly made Mason (less than 2yrs since being raised), this course will focus on the foundational information all well-regulated Freemasons should know:

- How to be a Freemason
- How to conduct yourself in and outside of lodge
- Meanings and purposes behind many symbols and traditions

Each participant will receive a copy of the Mentors Manual, as a supplement to the information taught during the course.