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Greetings to my Most Valued Brothers:

From day one, I understood the enormity of the Office and the vast responsibilities that must be accepted to become the 41st Grand Basileus to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. My careful planning, lofty ambitions and the commitments that I made to our Fraternity's Cardinal Principles were embedded in my character from the first day that I decided to pledge this amazing Fraternity. I accept my role as a vessel to do GOD's work. I am not qualified to question HIS motives. However, I do understand that achieving real brotherhood in our communities and across the seas will never happen unless we understand first its true value and importance in our Fraternity.

Therefore, I am writing you because either (1) something that you said has played a role in guiding me to prominence, or (2) perhaps your character and/or our one-on-one conversations contributed to shape my intended goals, and/or (3) I was moved by the financial support that you unselfishly gave to me. I can only hope that the outcome of this Fratemity's election did not cause you to lose faith in me, or in my ability, or to question my commitment to this Fratemity because there are two things that I am sure about and they are "GOD's TIMETABLE" is not our timetable and "HE" is not yet through with me.

I want to especially thank my Omega Theta line brother, Ray Shackleford for his bold, eloquent nomination for my candidacy on the floor of the Conclave in New Orleans. I want to also thank Brother Darryl Mayfield, my life-long friend and a Phi Gamma 1971 brother who has been one of my best friends even before I knew about the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. And last but not least, I want to thank my own blood brother, Brother Dr. Lloyd Jarmon and who I was immensely proud to write a letter of sponsorship for him to join this great Fraternity. I knew that my brother's continued tireless volunteer work in Haiti would be the kind of social activism that this Fraternity is always looking for from its members and that his humanitarian efforts and desires to save and improve lives by promoting a healthy lifestyle would eventually get other brothers involved.

None of us are perfect but whenever we, as a Fraternity, decide to bond together behind any one common cause, there is no organization on this planet that can supersede our efforts or can dwarf them with attempts to pierce the Corporate vail of this great Organization. It is because we believe in who we are and what we stand for that we must not rest on our laurels and continue to blaze trails that will certainly drive us to distant highs in unchartered waters. I am eternally proud to be a member of this Fraternity and as long as we give the Supreme Basileus of the Universe all of the credit for our success and continue to do "HIS" work, this great Fraternity's future will be assured.

Fraternally,
Bro. Wesley Jarmon
Tau Epsilon Chapter
From the fall of 1972

'til the day I die

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