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My Beloved Sisters and Brothers

Traditionally, new year's wishes are presented each year in January. They follow in the wake of the solstice which we celebrated on the 21<sup>st</sup> of last December, at the awakening of our awareness, along with the reawakening of nature. An awareness of who we are, as a step on our initiatory journey, but also an awareness of the evolution of our family and social surroundings.

Those wishes are mostly messages addressed to those for whom we wish the best in a world of chaos where force prevails over reason.

They are in no way performative in their realization, but their expression carries the best of omens.

They also allow us to raise high the colours of friendship by gathering around the standard of the Order. They remind us of the unbreakable bonds which unite us in this Scottish Rite fraternity, in a society where the sun is waning, where a new chaos is taking hold and on which the world, like a boat, sails adrift: "*A boat as frail as a May butterfly*<sup>1</sup>".

Such verbal gifts are also so many projects of hope for you, my Sisters and Brothers, our Lodges and our Jurisdiction. Our attentive watch allows us to join in collective and individual actions in order to oppose all deviations, as soldiers of the universal that we are.

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<sup>1</sup> Arthur Rimbaud -*Le bateau ivre* - 1871.

*“The world is a dangerous place to live in! Not so much because of those who do evil, but because of those who watch and let it happen!<sup>2</sup>”*

However, hope must guide us. The results of the meetings of ATREAA, open to all our Scottish Rite participants, the remarkable works of Sources, followed by their publication, as well as our symposiums and their proceedings, are all proof of our vitality.

*Sources n° 16 “Elitism and Masonic Reality” and 17 “Let Science enlighten You!”* have just been issued. Our future symposium about “Science and Spirituality”, which is to be held next Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> in the Groussier Temple during our Great Spring Meetings has been finalised, registrations are open on our website.

In 2026, let us not hope for anything but what we will do by ourselves.

In this beginning of the year, let us keep in mind the motto of the Grand Master Architect: *“I want and I construct”!*

So then, a happy new year to you, my beloved Sisters and Brothers, take care of yourselves in your diversity, but above all in our unity in the service of our Obedience, our Jurisdiction and the world.

I embrace you all, my beloved Sisters and Brothers very fraternally.

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<sup>2</sup> Albert Einstein