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## THANKSGIVING 2016 AND BEYOND



**Thanksgiving Day**

**by Gale Joy,  
Chairman**

Thanksgiving Day means so many different things to all of us. For what are we thankful? To whom do we give thanks? The Thanksgiving Day holiday has been a cornerstone of our history since well before the founding of the United States. In fact, it dates back to 1621 and was held at the Plymouth Plantation by the early Pilgrims that emigrated from Europe.

But what does it mean to you? Are there things in your life for which you are thankful?

Personally, I was born and raised in a devout Christian family. As such we didn't give thanks for our blessing on only one day per year. My family then and many in my family now, give thanks daily to our Benefactor and Giver of Life. We were raised to give thanks not only for our personal belongings and wellbeing; but we gave thanks for our spiritual blessings and even to be living in the greatest country on earth.

People from around the world may have differing opinions on whether we

live in the greatest Nation on the Earth. However, for my family, both immediate and extended, we firmly believe that to be true and give thanks that we were born here.

Since the inception of this country, our ancestors set forth to build a Nation that would span the test of time. They set forth to create a country founded on virtue and based on the foundation of Biblical morals and precepts.

The founders of this country and the framers of our founding documents recognized that we needed a government that would embrace and protect our inalienable rights given to us by our Creator. They knew that rights granted by men could and would be quickly denied by ambitious men. They commenced to build a contract to limit men from taking away our rights granted by our Creator.

In 1789, George Washington gave his 1st Thanksgiving Proclamation. In it he stated that both Houses of Congress requested that he "recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of

government for their safety and happiness." He continued in his Proclamation asking that "we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations, and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our National Government a blessing to all the people by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed; to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations (especially such as have shown kindness to us), and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and, generally, to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best."

As you can see, the founders of the United States were not afraid to appeal to the highest ruler of us all to intercede and help us succeed in being

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the shining city on the hill. It is up to us to continue that endeavor.

As we look back on history and look forward to the future, we need to be Thankful for what we have, and more importantly to appeal to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations that we can once again become that bastion of liberty that the founders and framers desired and the beacon on the hill that guides freedom loving people everywhere.



**Terry Bryan  
Bending**

**Vice Chairman**

Now is the time to seize the moment. The two major parties are currently destroying the financial fabric of our nation. We will all pay if we don't step up and serve our country! Many blessings!



**Richard Wellman**

**Franklin County  
Chairman**

Hoping to at least see an improvement over the past four years. I also hope that we can take this time to build Up the Constitution Party and restore ballot access in all fifty states. I would

like to see an increase in the number of CP party members elected to office in future elections.



**What's Next?**

**By Gale Palmer**

**Webmaster**

There was a frenzy of information released before the recent election; some true, some lies. The globalists are still manipulating and ruling through theft of individual God-given rights via criminal acts, imposing godless legislation, or by using greed to appeal to the mindless cretins that care little for the rule of law. Law enforcement has been reduced to an "them or us" mentality. For all his rhetoric our president elect cannot change his character or the character of the party in which he ran. This is the first time in our history the First Lady has been personally involved in the porn industry. None of the voters seemed to care about the moral role model she would be for our young ladies! Her husband is known for his lecherous character and even admits to it himself! I personally believe that for all the so called Christians who cast their standards aside out of fear God has given America the leadership it rightly deserves! Men can change with God's help, but they must repent and acknowledge their need of God's forgiveness before that can happen,

and Mr. Trump has publicly stated he has no need of forgiveness. What's next? It will totally depend on the outreach of true believers in Jesus Christ to the corrupt and evil world that surrounds them. Many say the Church's is responsible or culpable for the condition in which we find ourselves. May I remind you, wherever assembled, believers ARE the Church! When believers cast their lot in with the world, what they receive they deserve! In spite of the evil chaos that seems imminent, God is still in control of politics, men, and angels, including Satan, and He will perform His perfect plan to the complete consternation of the wicked who seek to defy Him! So take heart, my fellow believers and patriots, and do as much good as you can until God calls you Home or returns to righteously rule, eternally victorious!