

Thoughts of the Allfather No. 84 Christmas 2022

Ven.: Brr.: Master, worthy and gel.: Br.: Everyone,

Christmas is around the corner. For us in Central Europe associated with the dream of snow-covered fir trees and cold, clear rough nights. In other countries, on other continents, the Christmas weather always looks different: "Christmas where the gumtrees grow..." is a Christmas carol (melody "Jingle Bells") from Australia, which I used as the "opening" of my drawing for Winter John 2022 in my I chose the mother lodge "Allfather to free thought".

This Winter will remain unforgettable for me: The hammer-wielding masters, the Zeremo - in short, everyone who was allowed to be actively involved, gave us all the gift of a wonderfully harmonious, and despite all the ritual clarity, almost floating, brotherly happiness. Then the magnificent table box, so fraternally and hospitably prepared by our Masonic younger brothers, and no less hospitably and carefully "served" by our trusted castellan. Thank you to everyone involved and everyone who was there. May the spirit of brotherhood continue to develop in this way - also between the individual lodges. The signs are hopeful and valuable.

For the New Year we all wish for health, peace and the upholding of the principles of humanity. And of course also: That the circumstances of the time allow us to work completely undisturbed and carefree, Masonic work - which also gives us the strength to work humanitarian in everyday life and society. I have decided to send the "Thoughts on the Allfather" in pdf format in the future. The weekly letters from the ZiS gave me a good idea - I admire Br.'s diligence. Klaus Marcus, whom I cannot emulate.

The exchange between the brothers was good - towards the end of the year especially in the context of the work of QC - with Bayreuth and Leipzig, with Vienna and London. And with SEURE, formerly Brussels, now Paris. All my dear brothers, my work would not be possible without the sharing, without the help, without the encouragement.

As a thank you to our brothers at Badenia for the always warm welcome and the brotherly exchange, I am attaching the pdf "Rolf Gustav Habeler" about Br.: City archivist in Baden-Baden. But you probably all already know that because you are avid readers of our QC yearbook....

Best regards and wishes to all of you and your families.

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