

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

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Friday Sunset: 8:05 PM

East Texas: The Challenge, Gladewater – 2:30 PM

Song Leader – Daniel Elliott
Pianist – Wesley Johnson
Sermonette – Reese Brown
Sermon – Bill Johnson

Ruston: Holiday Inn Express, Ruston – 1 PM

Song Leader – Steven Barnette
Pianist – Vicky Morton
Sermonette – Gordon McCarty
Sermon – Ken Treybig

General Announcements

COGWA Office Open House

The administration and staff want to extend an invitation to any of the brethren to visit the new Church offices. While members are welcome to drop in anytime during office hours during the week, we are planning an “Open House” on Sunday, May 20, for any members who want to see the headquarters office of Church of God, a Worldwide Association.

The Open House will be an informal “drop-in” from 12 noon—5 PM on Sunday, May 20. We hope this will give our brethren a chance to visit the office and visit with a few of the staff—all at a more convenient time.

More details will be coming and maps will be included on the Information Table at a later date.

Weekly Video Update

Greetings, everyone! We are very pleased to announce a new feature for communicating with the Church members around the world. Effective immediately, we will be posting a weekly video update on the member website

(<http://members.cogwa.org>).

You can go there now to see the inaugural posting of *In Accord*—the video “sister” of our monthly publication, *One Accord*.

As President Jim Franks explains in this introductory video, this weekly update will be your online source for news and commentary on the latest developments in the work of the Church of God, a Worldwide Association. Our plan is to post a new update sometime by Thursday evening of each week. We hope and trust that you will enjoy each and every update, and that this will prove to be a very popular and helpful resource for promoting unity within the Church.

Location of Services

In the month of May, we will meet at The Challenge in Gladewater today and on the 26th. The other two Sabbaths we will be at The Broadway.

Feast Registration

Registration for this year’s Feast is again being done online at the Feast website, <http://feast.cogwa.org> from May 1 to May 18. If you do not have Internet access, the local festival advisor will register for you. In East Texas, see Eric Case. Mr. Treybig will take care of Ruston members. As a reminder, the U.S. Feast sites are Branson, MO, Kerrville, TX, Lake Harmony, PA, Park City, UT, Pigeon Forge, TN, Santa Rosa, CA, Sheboygan, WI and St. Augustine, FL. Site descriptions are posted on the Feast website and were included in the last issue of *One Accord*.

Jordan Feast

Now is the time to seriously consider joining brethren from around the world in Jordan this year for the Feast of a lifetime! Explore the ancient Nabataean city of Petra, walk the Roman ruins of Jerash and scuba dive in the beautiful Red Sea. Many are also planning to take an exciting extension tour of the Ho-

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ly Land of Israel. Applications are due by May 11, so please act now if you are interested. Details and applications can be found at www.jordanfot.org. Please contact Cory or Colene Erickson at ericksoncc@comcast.net if you have questions.

Men's Leadership Club

The next Men's Leadership Club will be after services next week, May 12.

Teen Bible Study

The teen Bible study that was scheduled for next week will be moved to May 19. Additional information is forthcoming.

Church Picnic

A big thank you to all those who helped with the church picnic, especially Rod and Violet Gehrke. We had wonderful weather, great food and excellent fellowship!

In-Home Bible Study

Our next in-home Bible study will be this Wednesday, May 9, at 7 PM at Jim & Harriet Waldings' home. The topic will be the book of James. Study guides are available on the Information Table.

Please give the Waldings advance notice if you plan to attend.

Carl Akins Fundraiser

Many of us here in the East Texas area know Carl Akins and may have heard that he was recently diagnosed with stage four colon cancer. There will be a spaghetti dinner and auction at the Big Sandy Church of God Building on Saturday night, May 12, with

dinner beginning at 6:30 PM and auction and live entertainment shortly after sundown to help with the Carl Akins Medical Fund. He will be going to MD Anderson in Houston soon.

Tickets are \$10 each for ages 12 and over and can be purchased at Two Rivers, First National Bank in Big Sandy, Austin Bank in Big Sandy, Garland's Indoor Comfort and Brenda Hogg. If you cannot attend but would like to make a donation you can mail a check to: The Carl Akins Fund, PO Box 1154, Big Sandy, TX 75755.