

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • September 22, 2012

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Friday Sunset: 7:21 PM (ET), 7:08 PM (R)

### East Texas: The Broadway, Tyler – 2:30 PM

Song Leader – Wesley Johnson  
Pianist – Ardith Weiss  
Sermonette – Gordon McCarty  
Sermon – John Trotter

### Ruston: Holiday Inn Express, Ruston – 1 PM

Song Leader – Connor Kelley  
Pianist – Johna Barnette  
Sermonette – Chris Teague  
Sermon – Scott Hammer

### General Announcements

#### Announcing FI-Online

Beginning shortly after the Feast, members will be able to start registering for the new Foundation Institute Online Bible classes. They will be offered on Wednesday nights, beginning in November. If you register online you will be able to ask questions after the class. If you don't register, you can still watch, but it will be an archive video only, available on Thursdays.

Watch this week's In Accord update at the Member website for more information. Details will be available after the Feast.

#### Snacks

Kindly give the ladies about 10 minutes after services before lining up for refreshments. This will give the servers time

to prepare the table with food, utensils, etc. We appreciate your cooperation!

Please also allow the children in Sabbath School to go through the line with a parent first so class can begin promptly.

#### Food for Thought

In our ongoing efforts to keep our hall tidy, we request that you please eat snacks only at the back of the auditorium or in the foyer on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Cleaning up food crumbs in the general seating area is quite time consuming. Of course, children in Sabbath School supervised by adults may take snacks downstairs to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting room when class is in session. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### Sabbath School

Sabbath School will begin as soon as the children have gotten a snack. Please come down to the second floor meeting room. We will meet every Sabbath this month except next Sabbath, September 29.

#### Men's Leadership Club

Our next meeting will be **today** after services at 5 PM in the second floor meeting room.

#### Volleyball Practice

We will have volleyball practice tomorrow, Sunday, from 9-11 AM and will be held at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym. The next practice will be after the Feast, on Sunday, October 21. You can check the calendar on the [easttexas.cogwa.org](http://easttexas.cogwa.org) website for other practice dates.

#### Atonement

East Texas will meet at Maude Cobb Convention Center in Longview. Ruston will meet at the Holiday Inn Express in Ruston. Services are at **2:30 PM** in both locations.

#### Holy Day Offerings

Blue holy day offering envelopes are available on the Information Table. Please pick up three for the fall holy days as these envelopes make donation processing much easier. Be sure to put your name and address on the front of the envelope as well as your Donor Envelope Number below the date in the space provided. It can be found on your 2011 year-end receipt.

Checks should be made payable to COG-East Texas, as we will process the offering locally before sending the funds to headquarters. Please do not include other items (tithes, notes, etc.) as that greatly complicates the local processing.

#### Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 844-9246  
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## **Hard of Hearing Assistance**

We recently purchased a transmitter to help those with hearing difficulties. It transmits on the standard frequency used at the Feast, so if you have a headset you're welcome to bring it.

## **Young Adult Leadership**

The Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is pleased to announce its first Young Adult Leadership Weekend, to take place simultaneously in Atlanta, Georgia; Columbus, Ohio; and Portland, Oregon, on the weekend of Nov. 3-4, 2012, and again in Dallas, Texas, on Feb. 15-17, 2013.

The Church considers it essential to invest in the leadership development of our young adults to better enable them to use their talents and abilities in the work of God. Through these Leadership Weekends, the Church wishes to educate, motivate and inspire its young adults to further fulfill leadership roles within the Church and the work by providing focused education, as well as social opportunities to interact with peers.

Keynote speakers for the weekend will be Jim Franks, COGWA president, in Atlanta; Doug Horchak, Ministerial Services operation manager, in Columbus; and Clyde Kilough, Media operation manager, in Portland. Their presentations will be streamed over the Internet to the other locations, so everyone will be able to benefit from each presentation. All seminars are designed to inspire and motivate our young adults in spiritual service. We hope

you will register early and plan to join us for this special weekend!

For more information and to register, simply go to the COGWA members' website and look for the "Young Adult Weekend" link, or go directly to <http://members.cogwa.org/yaww/>. This link will take you to the page where you may register for the weekend. We trust that this will be an outstanding weekend of education and inspiration!

## **Fall Feast Youth Lessons**

Our youth education lessons for the fall holy days are now available! As we have previously mentioned, this year we have taken a different approach from that of the fall festival activity books of the past. We have prepared lessons on the topics of each of the four fall holy days for Church families/parents to use in teaching their children God's truth and His way of life. Our desire is to help parents fulfill the biblical instruction found in Deuteronomy 6:6-7: "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

These fall festival lessons are designed for use in a family setting where parents can instruct their children in God's plan, which is revealed through the holy days. Each lesson has an overview, Scripture discussion and supplemental activities. We encourage you parents to download each lesson and read through them with your children. Then you may reinforce

and elaborate on the lesson with age-appropriate, supplemental material and activities, such as coloring pages, drawing activities, word games, fill-in-the-blank activities, discussion topics, further research, etc., that can also be downloaded off the lesson site. Since you can adjust these lessons to fit the ages of your children, parents of teenage children will also find these lessons helpful and instructive for their teens.

Simply go to the COGWA Feast web page and look for the "Feast Youth Lessons" link, or click [here](http://feast.cogwa.org/cyi) <http://feast.cogwa.org/cyi>. This link will take you to the page where you may download all the materials. We trust that this will be an effective way of helping our parents teach God's way to their children.

## **Sabbath Services: Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>**

Due to the timing of the Feast of Tabernacles this year, all of our Feast sites will be holding services on Sept. 29, the Sabbath immediately preceding the Feast. Details are provided for each site by going to <http://feast.cogwa.org> and selecting the site in the left-hand column.

Any planning to attend Sabbath services en route to the Feast should be sure to check local congregation websites at <http://cogwa.org/congregations> or with pastors or contacts of those congregations.

As a note, Ruston will NOT be having services on September 29, but East Texas WILL have services that day at the normal time.

### **Feast Activity Information**

Activity schedules and descriptions for our U.S. Feast of Tabernacles sites are currently posted at <http://feast.cogwa.org>. Please be sure to check out the activities at the site you will be attending as soon as possible. In some cases there are early commitments or tickets that must be purchased in advance of the Feast and deadlines are coming up soon. Thank you for your help in this regard. Some sites continue to add activity information; therefore, you will want to keep an eye on your specific Feast site to see what is being planned.

### **Kerrville Feast Information**

Sabbath services WILL be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM at the Inn of the Hills in the Bluebonnet Room. Please bring your hymnals for this service. We are planning to project hymns during the Feast.

We do request registration and prepay for some activities. All this is available at the Kerrville Site Description page.

### **Teen Garage Sale**

Hoard no more! Save the dates of November 1 & 2 for the Teen Garage Sale fundraiser at the Vital Earth facility on Hwy. 80 in Gladewater. After the Feast we'll announce more details concerning dropping off donated items. If you have any questions, please contact Rochelle Boyce. Thank you in advance for supporting the teen fundraiser. Proceeds go toward offsetting the costs for the teens to attend Winter Family Weekend in December in Louisville, Kentucky.

### **Houston Family Campout**

#### **Attention: All campers!**

Your brethren in the Houston area are once again pleased to invite you to join them for their fourteenth annual **Houston Family Campout** at the scenic Lake Livingston State Park – **November 9-11**. The park is located about 75 miles north of Houston out US hwy 59 in Livingston, Texas. There is a partial map and directions on the [camping form](#). We have reserved Premium lakefront campsites, RV sites, and screened shelters (all sites have electricity & water. RV sites also have gray water hookups & 50/30 amp service). A “Welcome Dinner” is provided for arriving campers on Friday evening from 6 to 9 pm at the Activity Center. [A hymn-sing and Bible Study are scheduled for the Sabbath](#). The park offers horseback riding, fishing, hiking, playground for kids, and more. Come and enjoy the great outdoors!

**The deadline for making your reservations is Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Camping reservation forms are on the Information Table today.