

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • March 2, 2013

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Friday Sunset: 6:18 PM (ET), 6:07 PM (R)

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

Song Leader – Mark Benton  
Pianist – Wesley Johnson  
Sermonette – Ed Weiss  
Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Chris Teague  
Pianist – Vicky Morton  
Sermonette – Johnny Callender  
Sermon – Video

### General Announcements

#### Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet this week. Please come down to the second floor conference room after getting a snack.

#### Men's Leadership Club

Club will meet **tonight** at 4:45 PM in the second floor meeting room.

#### Church Social

Last week's dinner and game night was a lot of fun! Thanks to all those who helped and participated especially Scott & Terrie Hammer for organizing it.

#### Deacon/Elder Meeting

There will be a Deacon/Elder Meeting this Tuesday, March 5, at 7 PM at Hillcrest. Note the date change!

#### Excused Absence Forms

This will be the last week for the sign up list if you need a festival excused absence form to use at school or work. Please sign one name per line. If you need an annual form with the dates for the full year, please put (annual) behind your name.

#### Passover Babysitting

If you need babysitting for Passover, the teens will provide this service at The Broadway. To help us understand what resources we need, please sign the list on the Information Table so we can plan properly. Also plan to bring some quiet toys, a blanket and Bible DVDs, if you have some. Thank you for your consideration in letting us know in advance.

#### Camp Website & Registration

It's time to start registering for this year's camps! The camp website has been updated with new information for 2013, new articles and a new welcome letter from COGWA president Jim Franks. You can read the details about each camp except the Houston Preteen Camp, where we are still working out the details. You'll find that most camps are in the same location as last year. However, this

year's young adult Challenger program will again be a Grand Canyon Trek—a rim-to-rim hiking, camping and educational experience sure to build memories for a lifetime!

All staff applicants must complete a background check, done via a self-service portal at the end of your online registration. We pay for the service so we ask that staff applicants **only** run the background check **once per calendar year**. If you apply for more than one camp we do **not** need a separate background check since it will only give us the same information again.

Registration opens March 1! Make plans now to join us this year by submitting your application online at <http://camps.cogwa.org>.

#### Basketball Practice

Basketball practice will be tomorrow from 9-12 noon at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym. You can check the local calendar on the [easttexas.cogwa.org](http://easttexas.cogwa.org) website for other practice dates.

#### Spring Feasts

The spring feasts begin in three weeks. The Passover service is Sunday night, March 24, Night to be Observed is Monday night, March 25, and the

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first day of Unleavened Bread is Tuesday, March 26.

### **East Texas Service Time**

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 10. Therefore services in East Texas will move to 2:30 PM beginning the Sabbath of March 16.

### **Dallas Teen Formal**

The Dallas Teens cordially invite you to "Once Upon a Snowy Evening," a formal evening of dinner and dancing in a snow covered forest – with a special presentation honoring this year's graduating seniors.

All attendees will be required to read and adhere to the [dress code guidelines](#).

The event will take place on Saturday evening, March 16, from 6-11 PM. *Sabbath services will be held at Southfork Hotel from 2-4 PM.* Lodging will be at Southfork Hotel. *Please contact the hotel directly for reservations.* Teen and adult basketball games will take place the following day at Plano Sports Authority, just minutes away.

Early registration is \$35; families with two or more attending, \$30 per person; late registration, \$38 per person

Please check the Information Table for more details and go to [www.cogwadallas.org/teens](http://www.cogwadallas.org/teens) to register.

Graduating seniors, please remember to fill out the senior questionnaire available at the teen formal website and forward to Laura Anderson at [llanderson@gmail.com](mailto:llanderson@gmail.com).

### **Slide Show for Seniors**

Graduating seniors, please remember to fill out the Senior's Questionnaire available at the Teen Formal Website and

forward to Laura Anderson at [llanderson@gmail.com](mailto:llanderson@gmail.com). Mrs. Anderson is taking care of putting together the senior slide show, so please communicate with her as soon as possible to arrange to send your photographs for the presentation.

### **Coin-Roll Fundraiser**

The coin-roll fundraiser will be Sunday, May 5, at Rochelle Boyce's house. Please begin collecting coins and coin rollers, which your local bank can provide you, to help us raise money for the new Foundation Outreach International (<http://www.foundationoutreachintl.org/>). If you have any questions, please contact Rochelle Boyce. Thank you for your help!

### **FI Continuing Ed Class**

A few weeks ago Foundation Institute announced the possibility of holding an additional five-day continuing education seminar this summer. We asked those who might be interested to contact us right away so we could determine whether there is sufficient interest to merit a second session.

At this time we only have about half of the number of participants we would need to make the second seminar feasible. We have extended the sign-up deadline to this coming Monday, March 4, so we could make one more announcement this Sabbath.

The seminar would be held in July, probably July 8-12, in the Foundation Institute classroom at the headquarters office in Allen, Texas. Tuition would remain the same (\$75 for the first family member; \$50 for each

additional member.) This will cover all classroom expenses and will also include lunch and refreshments each day for all participants. Participants will need to make their own arrangements for housing, breakfast and dinner.

Applicants may register for this seminar by sending an e-mail to

[david.johnson@cogwa.org](mailto:david.johnson@cogwa.org).

Since we must make a decision about whether to offer this additional session, the deadline for registration will be this next **Monday, March 4, 2013.**

If you have any questions, please go to the Foundation Institute website ([www.foundationinstitute.org](http://www.foundationinstitute.org)) and select "contact" at the bottom of the page. We will respond to your inquiries as quickly as possible. Those without Internet access may call the Church office directly at 972-521-7777.