Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston Announcements • September 14, 2013

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Friday Sunset: 7:30 PM (ET), 7:20 PM (R)

East Texas: 708 E Broadway, Gladewater – 2:30 PM

Song Leader – Daniel Elliott Pianist – Ardith Weiss Split Sermon – Melton McNeely Split Sermon – John Trotter

Ruston: Holiday Inn Express, Ruston – 2:30 PM

Song Leader – Connor Kelley Pianist – Johna Barnete Sermonette – None Sermon – Ken Treybig

General Announcements Volleyball Practice

Our next volleyball practice will be at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym Sunday, October 6, from 9-11 AM. All adults and teens who are interested in playing are welcome.

Sabbath School

We will not have Sabbath School this week. We will meet again on October 5.

Men's Leadership Club

Our next meeting of Men's Leadership Club will be October 19, 45 minutes after services at the Gladewater hall in the classroom.

COGWA Facebook Page

This year our Facebook page is sponsoring a #FeastFever Cover Photo Contest. If you have a Facebook account, go to our Church of God page, scroll down to the August 28 entries, and you'll find this entry over a photo of orchards on a hillside. It also gives a link to the cover photo guidelines of Facebook.

"Whether you are going to a new, exciting location or a familiar getaway, traveling can be one of the most exciting parts of the Feast of Tabernacles. Let's keep the excitement throughout the year with the 2013 #Feast-Fever Facebook Cover Photo Contest. Submit a photo that incorporates the beauty of your Feast site this year. We will be rotating the top entries as our Facebook cover photos every thirty days in the months following the Feast. See guidelines and submission details in the attached photo."

CYI Holy Day Lessons

Once again, our youth education lessons for the fall holy days are available! We have prepared lessons on the topics of each of the four fall holy Church days for 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 all 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-theblank activities, discussion topics, further research, etc., that can also be downloaded from 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. This link will take you to the page where you may download all

Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 844-9246 Frank McCrady – (903) 845-6882 Melton McNeely – (903) 769-3394 John Trotter – (903) 636-4515 Scott Hammer – (903) 845-5189 Les McCullough – (903) 636-5585 Leroy Neff – (903) 636-5248 Leon Walker – (903) 636-4928 the materials. We trust that this will be an effective way of helping our parents teach God's way to their children.

In addition to these family lessons, several of our U.S. Feast sites will offer two classroom-style lessons at the Feast for children in grades K through 5. Look for these announcements in your site's Festival brochure to see if these classes will be offered at your site.

Branson Announcements

We will again be decorating the stage with stuffed animals on the day the Children's Choir sings. These animals will then be given to all the children attending in Branson after services. If you would like to help us you may bring a stuffed animal or two with you to the Feast (or purchase one after arriving) to use as stage decorations.

For those who requested show discount information, we will be sending that out in the next day or so. You didn't miss out on it. Thanks for your patience. We have a number of new establishments participating this year.

Blessing of Little Children

As a reminder, we will have the Blessing of Little Children the second Sabbath after the Feast, as has become customary. This year, since the Feast ends on a Thursday, it will be just over a week later, **October** 5.

Feast Reflections

Our annual Feast Reflections potluck meal and social will be after services on the Sabbath of **October 5** this year. Since we will not have weekly an-

nouncements for the next two weeks we wanted to make sure you mark your calendar!

Teen Garage Sale

The teen garage sale is planned for the beginning of November. We will have dates for drop-off or pick-up of your items shortly after the Feast. Thank you in advance for supporting the teen fundraiser!