Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston Announcements • January 4, 2014

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East Texas: 708 E Broadway, Gladewater – 2 PM Song Leader – Wesley Johnson

Song Leader – Wesley Johnson Pianist – Ardith Weiss Sermonette – John Flynn Sermon – Larry Salyer (video)

Ruston: Holiday Inn Express, Ruston – 1 PM

Song Leader – Steve Barnette Pianist – Johna Barnette Sermonette – Don Ballo Sermon – Clyde Kilough

General Announcements Sabbath School

We will have Sabbath School again this week and should have a schedule available soon for this next semester.

Phone Hookup of Services

We had some technical problems with our new phone hookup to services last week, but it was corrected during services. We are not charged to set up the conference call, but it is a long distance call to a 712 area code number. If you have unlimited long distance (or free nights and weekends on your cell phone) you will be able to call it free of charge.

All you need to do is dial (712) 432-0075 about five minutes before services begin (currently 2 PM) and enter the participant access code of

867195. The system will connect you and mute your phone so no one hears anything from anyone else's phone—only the sound from the church service sound system that we will be sending.

We hope this new service will be of assistance.

Discern Magazine Print Subscription

The first issue of *Discern* magazine has now been mailed to those in the U.S. who have donated to the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, and we are receiving many positive comments about the magazine. Thank you for your prayers for the development of this new tool to preach the gospel and for your financial support that makes it possible!

While *Discern* is designed to be an e-magazine to reach the world, we also want to provide it to members, both electronically and in print. We are pleased to send a printed copy of the magazine to any member who would like to receive it.

In order to receive a printed copy of *Discern* every two months as each new issue comes out, please see Betty Brooks (Ruston) or Carl Goodchild (East Texas) to sign

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up for this service. We will need your name and correct mailing address in order to provide you with a personal copy. To make sure you receive the second issue of *Discern*, the deadline for providing this information is Feb. 8. Of course, we will be pleased to add subscribers after this date, but we can't guarantee that you will receive the second issue.

Birth Announcement

Rod and Violet Gehrke would like to announce the birth of their grandson, Dawson Eli Allan Hirst, to Rhonda and David Hirst of Seattle, Washington. Dawson was born on December 16, 2013 weighing 8 lbs. 3 oz. and was 21 ½ in. long. Everyone is doing well.

Basketball Practice

We will begin having basketball practice starting tomorrow. Practice will be at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym tomorrow, Sunday, from 9 AM to noon.

Our first regional basketball weekend will be here in East Texas on January 25 and 26.

Mid-week Bible Study

We will have a mid-week Bible Study and finger foods lunch this Wednesday, January 8, at 11 AM at the Gladewater Hall.

Men's Leadership Club

Our next meeting of Men's Leadership Club will be next Sabbath, January 11, 45 minutes after services at the Gladewater hall.

Teen Bible Study

The next teen Bible Study and dessert is scheduled for Friday night, January 17, beginning at 7 PM at the Cases' home.

NGBI

A new monthly online Bible Study program, called **Next Generation Bible Instruction**, will be kicked off this month, starting with Friday night, January 17. Watch for more details coming soon.

Movie & Popcorn Night

We will be having a movie and popcorn night on Saturday night, January 18, after sundown at the Gladewater Hall.

Young Adult Weekend

The Church of God. а Worldwide Association, is pleased to announce its second Young Adult Leadership Weekend, to take place simultaneously in Atlanta, Georgia; Branson, Missouri; Columbus, Ohio: Dallas, Texas; Los Angeles, California; Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Portland, Oregon, on Presidents' Day Weekend, Feb. 14-16, 2014.

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. This year's theme will be "Salt of the Earth: Christian Leadership by Example." During the weekend we will cover such topics as how example is the foundation of leadership, how to put God and the Church first in our busy lives, how to deal with lust while living amid a provocative culture, and what it means to be pure before God.

Keynote speakers for the weekend will be Jim Franks (COGWA president), Doug Horchak (Ministerial Services operation manager) and Clyde Kilough (Media operation manager). 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!

Online registration is now open. For more information and to register, simply go to http://members.cogwa.org/yalw.

We trust that this will be an outstanding weekend of education and inspiration!