

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

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Friday Sunset: 6:10 p.m. (ET), 6:01 p.m. (R)

East Texas: 708 E Broadway, Gladewater – 2 p.m.

Song Leader – Ed Weiss

Pianist – Ardith Weiss

Split Sermon – Rod Gehrke

Bible Study – Ken Treybig

Ruston: Holiday Inn Express, Ruston – 1 p.m.

Song Leader – John Ivey

Pianist – Vicky Morton

Sermonette – Gordon McCarty

Sermon – Doug Horchak

General Announcements

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will not meet this week. We will meet again next week.

Teen Bible Study

There will be a teen Bible study after services at the church building **tonight**. We will have a potluck meal in the classroom, starting at 5 p.m. to be followed by the Bible study and then a bowling party after sundown. The lanes are reserved starting at 7 p.m. so you may have time to go home to change—or bring clothes to services and change at the hall before heading to Oil Lanes at 1102 W. Cotton St. in Longview for two hours of bowling. We hope all the teens and their families will join us!

Basketball Practice

Basketball practice will be tomorrow, Sunday, at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym from 9 a.m. to noon.

Ruston Bible Study

Ruston will again meet at 12 noon next Sabbath, March 1, for a shorter service. That will be followed by a light potluck lunch and a Bible Study. Be sure to mark your calendar!

Men's Leadership Club

Our next meeting of Men's Leadership Club will be next Sabbath, March 1, 45 minutes after services at the Gladewater hall.

Midweek Bible Study

We will have a midweek Bible Study and finger foods lunch Wednesday, March 5, at 11 a.m. at the Gladewater Hall.

Fort Worth Dinner & Dance

The Fort Worth congregation is happy to announce the upcoming dinner and dance to be held the Saturday evening between the two spring holy days (April 19). This occasion will also mark the 50th anniversary of the Fort Worth church. You are cordially invited to share this special time with us.

The Dallas and Fort Worth congregations will combine for

church services, and COGWA President Jim Franks will be our special guest speaker.

The Marriott Solana, located in Westlake just a few miles west of the DFW Airport, has a countryside setting and is the venue for all activities. The Marriott is offering a steeply discounted room rate for any who would like to arrive on Friday or stay Saturday night after the dance. **The cutoff date to receive the discounted rates is April 4.**

The meal includes your choice of steak, salmon or chicken; and the price includes salad, entrée, beverage, dessert, tax, gratuity and admission to the dance with live band. **The cutoff date for ordering your meal ticket is April 8.** No tickets will be sold at the door. A final meal count must be presented to the Marriott in advance.

Please see the form on the Information Table for all the details you will need. We look forward to sharing this special Sabbath and weekend with you.

Foundation Outreach International

Foundation Outreach International and the Church can accept four young adults to serve in educational projects in early

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late July/early August in the African countries of Zambia and Zimbabwe! For each of these projects, we are looking for two young adults from the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, who are interested in serving brethren in these developing countries. Each project will be a total of 12 to 14 days in length. With both the Zambian and the Zimbabwean projects, volunteers will teach English to our brethren in the rural areas of those countries.

We recommend you visit the FOI website (accessible from the COGWA member website). However, if you are interested in either of these unique service projects, please pick up copies of both the **fact sheet** (which details requirements, dates and costs) and the **application**. The deadline for applying is **April 28, 2014**, so get your application in soon!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Doug Horchak at doug.horchak@cogwa.org.

FOI Jordan Project

Under the auspices of Foundation Outreach International (FOI) and by the invitation of Princess Sarvath El Hassan of Jordan, the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is excited to announce that again we will be offering a volunteer program for young adults in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan for the 2014-15 project year.

We are looking for qualified and ambitious individuals to apply for the program, which will run from August 2014 through June 2015. We are seeking four to five volunteers who have a heart for service

and also for representing the Church and the incredible future embodied in the return of Jesus Christ.

Applications need to be submitted by Friday, March 7. You can find information on the project, volunteer requirements and a general application form on the FOI website. Also, you can contact Cory and Colene Erickson directly at 651-714-4054 or at ericksoncc@comcast.net.

Dallas Teen Formal

Come join us for this year's Dallas Teen Formal Dinner/Dance on Saturday evening, March 15. This year's theme will be "Candyland". Again, this year we'll honor the graduating seniors in our region. Details and registration specifics can be found at www.cogwadallas.org/teens. Early registration and multiple children discounts apply. You must register in order to attend this event. See you soon!

COGWA Feast site in Orbey, France, in 2014

The Festival site for France in 2014 will be located in Orbey, about 60 miles south of the city of Strasbourg. We will be returning to the same full-board, family vacation hotel that our members enjoyed during the Feast in 2012. The site is a short walk up the hill from the center of the rural village of Orbey.

This year we are blessed to have exclusive use of the site and are expecting up to 120 brethren in attendance from France, Belgium, Switzerland, the United States and other parts of the world. No matter where you are coming from, once you arrive at Orbey you

will experience a warm welcome from the francophone brethren. There will be plenty of time for relaxed fellowship around the dinner table (breakfast buffet, lunch and dinner will be served on-site daily) or while enjoying the environs of Orbey, Colmar and the Alsace wine country.

The site itself offers an indoor heated pool, exercise gym and easy access to enjoyable hiking routes through the French countryside. Rooms vary in size, and apartments with kitchenettes will be set aside for larger families.

Arrival and departure shuttle bus service will be available from and to the Strasbourg and Mulhouse airports. For those who would like to fly in and out of Paris and then travel by train to Alsace, a shuttle will be arranged from the Colmar train station.

During the Feast, excursions by bus will allow you to enjoy the nearby historic villages of Riquewihr, Kaysersberg and Ribeauvillé. We also plan to organize a tour of the impressive 12th-century chateau of Haut-Koenigsbourg. Additional excursion offerings will be announced in future communications.

If you have questions or are considering spending the Feast in France this year, please let us know by emailing Daniel Harper (danielharper1@gmail.com).

Official pricing, detailed site information, registration instructions and announcements will be communicated via email to those who show interest and through the COGWA Feast of

Tabernacles website at feast.cogwa.org.

Please note that we have reserved the site in Orbey under a group contract, and they will not accept individual reservations. All information necessary for your registration and lodging will be collected through an online registration form to be announced in the coming months.

Feast in Ireland

The information about the Feast in Ireland will be posted on the Feast website in a couple of weeks along with all the other site descriptions. However, if anyone is interested in attending in Ireland you are welcome to pick up an advance copy at the Information Table.