

Church of God, a/wa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • December 20, 2014

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 5:17 p.m. (ET), 5:08 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Wynn Worthen

Pianist – Ardith Weiss

Sermonette – John Trotter

Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Steve Barnette

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Split Sermon – Chris Teague

Split Sermon – Gordon McCarty

General Announcements Service Project

If you brought apples and snack cracker packages to donate to our Big Sandy school food drive, you may drop the items in the collection box in the kitchen today.

Men's Leadership Club

The next Men's Leadership Club meeting will be **tonight** at the Gladewater hall about 45 minutes after services.

Deacon/Elder Meeting

Our next deacon/elder meeting has been postponed to January 6. Please mark your calendars for that date.

Winter Family Weekend

There have been a number of references recently in the weekly *In Accord* updates about

Winter Family Weekend and the fellowship, biblical education seminars and sports events that are available there. You are welcome to watch the Friday night Bible study online starting at 6:30 p.m. our time on the normal site, <http://cogwa.tv>. We were asked not to publish the password, so contact our pastor if you would like to have it.

The Sabbath is also going to be shared and both Ruston and East Texas will connect for the entire service on those days. Please note that we will begin at the special time of **1:30 p.m.** Central time (2:30 p.m. Eastern). We ask that you be in your seats a few minutes early to allow us to make sure the connection is working properly.

Embark Program Begins

Foundation Outreach International (FOI) is very excited to announce its support of a new educational program that will be introduced in just a few days **at this year's Winter Family Weekend in Louisville.**

The program is called **Embark** and is **designed to help teens and college-aged young adults** develop valuable career skills and lead a more fulfilling life. The program will kick off

on Dec. 25 from 7-9 p.m. at this year's Winter Family Weekend in Louisville, so keep your calendar open and make plans to attend now.

In addition to general sessions that will explain what Embark is and why it was established, the Dec. 25 event will feature a panel discussion presented by Church members who work in a variety of industries and professions who will share vital career information with attendees. The sessions will be interactive and allow for questions and answers.

Why should you attend?

- To learn critical skills to increase your appeal to potential employers.
- To gain access to a network of professionals in the Church spanning many industries and professions.
- To begin a journey to a more fulfilling life.

We look forward to seeing you on Dec. 25 at 7 p.m.

George Townsend

Managing Director

FOI Projects Announced

Foundation Outreach International and the Church would like to announce an opportunity for up to 10 young adults to serve in four different educa-

Elders – Here to serve you

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tional projects in late July/early August 2015 in the African countries of Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi and Ghana. Details were sent out via email from our pastor and are also available on the Information Table.

Basketball Practice

Our first adult and teen basketball practice will be Sunday, January 4, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Big Sandy Middle School gym. All those interested in playing are welcome to come.

Game Night

We will be having a game night on Saturday night, January 10, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Gladewater Hall. We will have table games and finger foods.

Boot Scoot

Howdy, Boot Scooters! Please join us on Saturday, January 31st for a night of fun, food, and dancing at the 2015 Boot Scoot and Barbecue benefiting the COGWA Youth Camp Activity and Scholarship fund. The event will be held at Grapevine Convention Center. Online registration is now open at www.bootscoot.org.

You **MUST** register in advance to attend as we need a firm head count before the event for planning purposes. **We will not accept payments at the door.**

Prices for dinner are:

\$25 - ages 12 and over

\$12 - ages 3-10

\$5 - for 3 and under

Tickets purchased after January 16 will be marked up \$10

each for all ages. The absolute deadline to purchase a ticket will be January 23.

If you would like to serve at the event or donate an auction item, please contact:

Kelli Hogg

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or Brenda Hogg at

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Note, all auction items must be received by Kelli or Brenda by Friday, January 23. Any items received after that date will be saved for the 2016 event.

If you are paying dinner tickets by check, please make checks payable to COGWA-ET and mail to Brenda Hogg, 420 Pine Road, Big Sandy, TX, 75755. (You must still register if you pay by check.) We look forward to seeing you and enjoying another evening of fellowship and fun while raising money for the youth of our church!

Young Adult Weekend

The Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is pleased to announce its third Young Adult Leadership Weekend, to take place simultaneously in Atlanta, Georgia; Branson, Missouri; Columbus, Ohio; Fort Worth, Texas; Los Angeles, California; Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota; and Portland, Oregon, on Presidents' Day Weekend, Feb. 13-15, 2015.

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 "Living Stones: Your Part in Strengthening God's House." During the weekend we will cover such topics as "The History of the Modern Church: Where Are We Today?" "Holding Fast: Maintaining Our Commitment to God," "Let No Man Despise Your Youth" (a small group interactive discussion of 1 Timothy 4:12), "The Importance of Unity: Working Together in Harmony," "When Leaders Lead: Serving in Your Local Congregation," "What Does It Mean to be a 'Living Stone'?" and FOI Project Brainstorming Session (a small group interactive discussion).

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

Variety Show

Plans are underway for our Variety Show coming up Saturday night, February 28. We hope everyone will take part in sharing their talents, whether that is to sing a song, dance, read a story, do a skit or play an instrument. Please direct any questions to Aubrey Jenison and be sure to let her know if you plan to do something.