## Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • January 24, 2015

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Web sites: http://cogwa.org, http://easttexas.cogwa.org Friday Sunset: 5:43 p.m. (ET), 5:34 p.m. (R)

# East Texas: 700 Melba Ave, Gladewater – 2 p.m.

Song Leader – Ken Treybig Pianist – Ardith Weiss Sermonette – John Trotter Sermon – Andy Burnett

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

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

#### **General Announcements**

#### **East Texas Service**

East Texas will meet at the Gladewater Middle School for services today due to the regional basketball weekend.

#### **Phone Hookup for Services**

As a reminder for anyone that needs to connect to services via phone, dial (712) 432-0075 about five minutes before services begin 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 sound system.

#### **Amazon Smile**

The world's largest online store, Amazon.com, offers a special promotion in which it will donate 0.5 percent (one half of 1 percent) of each eligible purchase to a designated charity. The Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is now registered as one of those charities, which means that from all of the eligible purchases members make through the <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> program, Amazon will donate 0.5 percent of the price to the Church.

Our first quarterly donation from Amazon just came in. It was small—a little over \$200. But considering that only a small number of members are currently participating, we easily see how that number could quickly rise! This is a free income source for the Church, so if you shop online through Amazon.com, why not take advantage of this simple way to lend extra support?

Please find additional information and help on how to sign up on the Information Table. Thanks for your interest and help in this simple but valuable way!

#### **Event Pictures**

Our congregational reporter, Nancy Diraison, is asking for assistance with picture-taking at those church activities that she is unable to attend. Without pictures, write-ups of our socials and other events to *One Accord* have been lagging.

For pictures to be useable for the publication, they must meet a certain image standard, besides being properly focused and composed. Liz Glasgow, the Managing Editor of One Accord, provided some information to help us understand:

Most mobile phone photos are compressed images that are too low-quality and grainy to be of any use. The default setting on most cameras is compressed, so if photographers wish to provide suitable pictures, they need to know how to check and adjust their size image setting to the highest quality/largest file size possible. This takes up more memory, but is needed for the higher quality printed in One Accord than what is normally posted online.

*Non-compressed* photos taken by iPhones *are* acceptable.

If you are interested in assisting with this back-up service and need more details, please contact Nancy Diraison directly. She would greatly appreciate an assistant in this department!

#### **Boot Scoot Baked Goods**

Boot Scoot will again raise funds for our COGWA Youth Camps this year and needs our support. We know some are unable to travel to Fort Worth to support the event. However, if you like to bake and would like

### Elders - Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 844-9246 Les McCullough – (903) 636-5585 John Trotter – (903) 636-4515 Scott Hammer – (903) 845-5189 Melton McNeely – (903) 769-3394 Leon Walker – (903) 636-4928 to help, we are in need of baked goods to sell at the event! Please wrap and price all items. The Treybigs are going over after services on January 31, so you can bring the items to services that day.

#### Sabbath School

The next Sabbath School will be next week, January 31, after services.

#### **Basketball Practice**

The next basketball practice will be Sunday, Feb. 1, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Big Sandy Middle School gym.

#### Men's Leadership Club

The next Men's Leadership Club meeting will be February 21 at the Gladewater hall about 45 minutes after services.

### **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 vou 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 <a href="http://members.cogwa.org/yalw">http://members.cogwa.org/yalw</a>.

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

#### Presidents' Day Weekend

The Presidents' Day Family Weekend in Branson will be held February 13-16. This year once again the weekend will be held jointly with our Young Adult Leadership Weekend. There will be Sabbath services, seminars and lots of fun activities.

The event will be headquartered at the Quality Inn on The Strip, with additional housing at the La Quinta Inn and the Days Inn.

Make your plans to join us for inspiring, fun filled mid-winter "pick-me-up" in Branson at the 20th annual Presidents' Day Family Weekend. For more information, please see the Information Table.

#### **Variety Show**

With the Variety Show coming up on Feb. 28, plans are underway to make the evening a great success! Many have signed up to perform already, but we are still open to more acts! There is a sign-up sheet on the information table and we will be accepting participants until February 14, two weeks before the show. If you already have signed up verbally please sign up again on the sign-up sheet so we don't miss anybody. Once you have signed up you will be receiving an email including more information on what will be needed from the performers for the sound set up and program lineup. If you have any questions please contact Aubrey Jenison, either by phone or email found in the church directory.