Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston Announcements • April 25, 2015

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Phone: 903-844-9246 Friday Sunset: 7:55 p.m. (ET), 7:46 p.m. (R)

East Texas: 708 E Broadway, Gladewater – 2:30 p.m. Song Leader – Ed Weiss Pianist – Ardith Weiss Sermonette – In Accord Sermon – John Trotter

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

Song Leader – Dan Pierce Pianist – Johna Barnette Split Sermon – Rod Gehrke Split Sermon – Johnny Callender

General Announcements Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet **today** after services. Please get a snack and come to the classroom.

Feast Registration

Everyone who preregistered should have received a thank you note and instructions by last Sunday on how to register for the Feast. If you haven't yet registered, you may do so until Wednesday, May 6.

If you were turned down for Orange Beach last year please be assured that we have you and the number in your household on a list and will make sure you are able to attend there this year, provided you register for Orange Beach. We will then accept households in the order in which they registered up to the maximum number. Everyone will be notified which site he or she was accepted for as soon as possible.

For those of you who do not have Internet access or an email address, please contact your local Festival adviser, Mr. Eric Case (East Texas) or Mr. Chris Teague (Ruston), to let him know where you wish to attend and how many in your household will be attending. The Festival adviser will take that information and register for you.

DallasInvitationalGolfScramble Tournament

Come join us for a 4-man scramble tournament at Plantation Golf Club (4701 Plantation Ln, Frisco, TX) on Sunday, May 3. You may assemble your own foursome or ask to be placed on a team. The cost of \$50 per person includes green fee with cart, range token, one drink token, and prizes for closest to the pin, longest drive, and top team scores. Tee times begin at 2 p.m., so be sure to arrive by 1:30 p.m. Make checks payable to "COGWA-Dallas" and send to Andy Bur-Applewood Ct., nett, 203 McKinney, TX 75071. Please email your team information to andy.burnett@cogwa.org.

Early Feast Housing

Those who qualify to make early housing reservations can begin doing so on Wednesday, May 6. Members who qualify to make early reservations include:

1. Those who need handicapped rooms.

2. Those with very limited finances who need to be assured of procuring one of the lower-priced rooms.

3. Those who, due to dietary requirements, must have a kitchenette.

4. Those who have a large immediate family (six or more). If you fit into one of these categories, please check with our Feast adviser about whether you need a password.

A password is needed at some sites to procure early reservations. Our Feast adviser will be happy to assist you in finding satisfactory housing.

Foundation Institute

Is Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, for you? What's it like to study one year of Bible at the headquarters of the Church of God, a Worldwide Association? We asked some of this year's students to comment.

One current student says, "I've never been so happy to be outside of my 'comfort zone.' This has been the best oppor-

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 tunity not only to strengthen my beliefs and draw close to God, but also to build character and come out of my shell. Especially if you are shy and afraid to try new things, you should give FI a try. It's a wonderful and safe environment in which to grow."

Here are the words of another student: "Coming to FI, I knew I didn't know much biblically. and it was nerve-wracking not knowing who all was going this year; but after going through most of the FI program I have learned more than I could ever imagine and in a short time made lasting friendships. This program and the people involved have changed my life forever and have given me a strong foundation to apply what I've learned ... in my daily life and hopefully in the Kingdom."

Another student writes: "I was unaware of how much I didn't know before coming to FI, even having grown up in the Church. The program has helped me to begin immediately to fill the gaps in my knowledge and understanding that I didn't even know were there."

And finally: "Ever had a Bible question you just can't get resolved? Ever wanted to know the background behind what is said in the Bible? Ever wanted to learn how to study with positive results? The atmosphere is warm, and the people are great, regardless of the age differences. Come and experience the Bible all day long."

Foundation Institute is now accepting and processing applications for the 2015-2016 academic year. Applications are due by May 31 and may be downloaded at <u>foundationinsti-</u><u>tute.org</u>. The website also answers frequently asked questions about the cost of the program, housing and admission requirements. We invite you to consider a year of study here in Allen, Texas. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

African Fundraiser

The African fundraiser garage sale is scheduled for June 11-12. Donations MUST be delivered to the Gladewater hall between 8 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. between April 27 and June 5 only.

Contact Rochelle Boyce, 903-636-5656, to make deliveries from April 27 thru May 22. For deliveries from May 25 thru June 5, please contact Charlene McCrady at 903-806-6543.