

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • January 16, 2016

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 5:36 p.m. (ET), 5:26 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Wynn Worthen  
Pianist – Ardith Weiss  
Sermonette – Ed Weiss  
Sermon – John Trotter

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

Song Leader – Chris Teague  
Pianist – Johnna Barnette  
Sermonette – Johnny Callender  
Sermon – Dave Evans

### **General Announcements**

#### **East Texas Potluck**

We will have a potluck **tonight** at Gladewater Hall. There will not be snacks after services.

#### **Basketball Practice**

Basketball practice will be tomorrow, Sunday, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Big Sandy Middle School gym. All those interested in playing are welcome to come.

#### **Preteen Basketball Practice**

There will again be several time slots for preteen basketball at our regional weekends this year. Any preteens who would like to play this year are invited to come to the final hour of basketball practice this Sunday, 11 a.m. to noon. Terry Shipman will work with them on one end of the gym.

#### **Sunday Work Party**

We once again had a very good turnout last Sunday and during the week John Flynn started painting. We will have another work party this Sunday starting at noon. We need to do some cleanup after our sheet-rock patches, sweep up the snipped zip ties in the auditorium that held the twinkle lights up, paint, replace the HVAC filters and a few other minor items. Any amount of time you can give would be appreciated.

#### **Sabbath School**

Sabbath School will meet again next Sabbath, Jan. 23.

#### **Men's Leadership Club**

Men's Leadership Club will have a Ladies' Night next Sabbath, Jan. 23, about an hour after services at the Gladewater hall. If you are not involved in the club meeting we ask that you remove your belongings by that time to allow the club members to set up for the club meeting in the front of the hall.

#### **Regional Basketball Weekend**

East Texas will again host the first regional basketball weekend. Sabbath Services on Jan. 30 will be at the Gladewater High School auditorium at 2 p.m. We are still working on plans for a teen activity on Sat-

urday night. Basketball games will be on Sunday in the Gladewater High School gym, and we will provide concessions as a congregational fundraiser to help offset the rental fees.

#### **Garage Sale**

Do you have things you want to get rid of? We are planning a garage sale for early to mid Feb. (assuming we will close on the building this month) where we will sell excess items from The Challenge. The proceeds will go to a restricted fund for the building. Any items you'd like to donate can be stored in the warehouse behind our current hall. Contact Rochelle Boyce or Kathy Treybig to arrange a time to deliver them.

#### **Boot Scoot**

Dust off your boots and join us on Saturday, Feb. 6, at Grapevine Convention Center in Grapevine, Texas for the 10th annual Boot Scoot benefiting the COGWA Youth Camp Activity and Scholarship fund. All proceeds made from the beef rib dinner and auction go towards giving financial assistance to campers and purchasing new equipment for various activities. We look forward to seeing you and enjoying another evening of fellowship and

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fun while raising money for the youth of our church! Campers who wear their camp shirts get an extra entry for door prizes!

You **MUST** register in advance for everyone attending. Tickets cannot be purchased at the door. Dinner prices are:

\$25 - ages 12 and over

\$12 - ages 3-10

\$5 - for 3 and under

Register at [bootscoot.org](http://bootscoot.org).

**Ticket prices will increase by \$10 each after Jan. 18. The absolute deadline to purchase a ticket will be Jan. 23.**

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.)

Contact Brenda Hogg at [brenda.hogg@gmail.com](mailto:brenda.hogg@gmail.com) or Kelli Hogg at [kellihogg@gmail.com](mailto:kellihogg@gmail.com) if you would like to donate an auction item or sponsor a portion of the event. Note, all auction items must be received by Kelli or Brenda by Jan. 23. Any items received after that date will be saved for the 2017 event.

## **YALW 2016**

The Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is pleased to announce its fourth Young Adult Leadership Weekend, to take place simultaneously in Atlanta, Georgia; Branson, Missouri; Columbus, Ohio; Fort Worth, Texas; San Diego, California; Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota; and Portland, Oregon, on Presidents' Day Weekend, Feb. 12-14, 2016.

The Church considers it essential to invest in the leader-

ship 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 and social opportunities to interact with peers.

This year's theme will be "'Will He Really Find Faith?' Standing Strong in a Faithless World." Christian leadership stands on the foundation of faith. We are not surprised, therefore, to see many enemies at the gate working to undermine our confidence and conviction. Those who know how to stand strong against that tide have always had a great influence on God's people. The Church continues to need this type of leadership. How can you remain immovable in a constantly shifting world? How can you, as a younger Christian leader, bear the kind of fruit befitting a representative of God's Kingdom? How can you defeat the enemies of faith? What little things must you be faithful in today to be entrusted with the really big things tomorrow? Could you be named among a modern list of Hebrews 11 heroes?

Keynote speakers for the weekend will be Jim Franks (COGWA president), Doug Horchak (Ministerial Services operation manager), Clyde Kilough (Media operations manager), Britton Taylor (treasurer) and Dave Myers (youth education director). Some presentations will be

streamed live over the Internet to the other locations, so everyone will be able to benefit from each presentation. Seminars and interactive small group sessions have been designed by a team of COGWA young adults and are designed to inspire and motivate us into greater 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>. For a weekend of inspiration, encouragement of faith, and leadership development, plan to attend YALW 2016!

## **Presidents' Day Weekend**

The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Branson Presidents' Day family weekend is coming up Feb. 12-15. We will have a full weekend of activities for the whole family. We will have lots of opportunity for fellowship and fun. It begins with an opening evening reception on Friday night and ends with a Pizza Party and game night on Sunday evening. We will have seminars from five area pastors and ministers from the Office in Allen, a family dinner-dance, carnival games for the youngsters, mini-golf and many other things.

We have sign-up sheets for the family dinner as well as for helping out with the weekend by volunteering to bring goodies and finger foods for the opening reception as well as volunteering to help with some of the activities and set-up for the weekend.

You can book your motel room by calling the Quality Inn at 417-334-1194 and telling

them you are part of the Church of God Family Weekend. Cost of rooms is still only \$37 per night and includes a hot breakfast each morning.

More information about the seminars, family dinner, and other things will be coming next Sabbath. Hope to see many of you there!

### **Dallas Teen Formal**

The Dallas Teens cordially invite you on *A Trip Around the World* - an evening of dinner and dancing with a special presentation honoring this year's graduating seniors. The date is Mar. 5, 2015 and Sabbath services will take place at Unity Church at 2 p.m. (the normal meeting location of the Dallas congregation—6525 Forest Lane, Dallas, TX), and the dinner/dance will take place at a new and exciting location just five minutes' drive from services: Embassy Suites Dallas Park Central. We've secured a \$105 hotel rate (single/double occupancy) which includes a full cook-to-order breakfast and an Evening Manager's Reception featuring beverages and light snacks from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. daily for registered hotel guests. For more information on the hotel, visit <http://dallasparkcentral.embassy-suites.com>. Less costly hotels (Motel 6, Comfort Suites) are located within easy walking distance of Embassy Suites.

Early registration for the formal is \$35; families with two or more attending, \$30 per person; late registration (after Feb. 22, 2016), \$40 per person. Go to <http://www.cogwadallas.org/teens> to register. Regional teen and adult basketball games will

take place the following day at an athletic complex minutes away. Teens from outside the region who would like to participate in basketball on Sunday should contact Andy Burnett at [andy.burnett@cogwa.org](mailto:andy.burnett@cogwa.org) to be placed on a team. We hope to see you there!