

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

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Friday Sunset: 6:09 p.m. (ET), 5:59 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Wynn Worthen
Pianist – Ardith Weiss
Sermonette – Ed Weiss
Sermon – Dave Johnson

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

Song Leader – Johnny Callender
Pianist – Vicky Morton
Sermonette – In Accord
Sermon – Scott Hammer

General Announcements

Men's Leadership Club

Men's Leadership Club will meet **tonight** about 45 minutes after services. It will be our informal Ladies Night. 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.

Basketball Practice

Basketball practice will be tomorrow, Sunday, from 9 to noon at the Big Sandy Middle School gym. Preteens can practice the final hour from 11 a.m. to noon.

Garage Sale

Do you have things you no longer use? We are planning a garage sale for a week or two after we close on the building

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.

"Pie" Dinner/Family Fun Fair

The next planned social, a "pie" dinner followed by a family fun fair, has been postponed. Please continue to be thinking about how you would like to participate. You may contact Eric or Nancy Case if you have any questions or ideas for the fun fair. Check back for future announcements.

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

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

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 to be placed on a team. We hope to see you there!

FI Continuing Ed Classes

Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, is pleased to announce that registration is now open for two one-week continuing education sem-

inars to be held at the headquarters office this coming summer.

Each of the seminars will be essentially identical and will include approximately 30 class-hours of instruction provided by Foundation Institute instructors and administrators. The majority of the instruction will be drawn directly from the Scripture, while the remainder will focus on practical application of biblical principles.

The seminars, which are open to all adults who attend the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, are scheduled for the weeks of July 11-15 and July 25-29. Tuition for each seminar will be the same as last year—\$75 for the first person in each family and \$50 for each additional person. This will cover all classroom expenses and will also include lunch and refreshments each day for all participants.

Classes will be held in the Foundation Institute classroom, so space must be limited to approximately 25 participants in each session.

Participants will need to make their own arrangements for housing, breakfast and dinner. There are a number of reasonably priced hotels and restaurants in the area.

We are again able to offer a special housing arrangement for a few who may be interested. Since we will not be using the student housing during the summer, we can offer dormitory-style rooms to those who might wish to stay there. There are three two-bedroom apartments available. Each bedroom has twin beds and its own bathroom. Those staying at the

apartments would need to provide their own linens and would be expected to leave the apartment clean when they leave. The apartments offer basic furniture, dishes, appliances and cooking utensils, and also have a washer and dryer. They do not have televisions but they do have Internet service. The cost for the rooms would be \$40 per night for each bedroom. Most apartments are on the second or third floor, and there are no elevators at the apartment complex. If any would like to reserve one of these rooms, they will be available on a first-come, first served basis.

Participants may register for the seminars in one of two ways:

1. Go to the redesigned Foundation Institute website—www.foundationinstitute.org—and select “contact” at the top of the page. Send an email with the following information:

- Name(s).
- Complete mailing address.
- Email address (almost all further communication will be by email).
- Which session you wish to attend (July 11-15 or July 25-29).
- If you wish to reserve one of the student apartment rooms

You will then need to mail a check for tuition. (Please do not try to send in tuition electronically using the member donation site. This creates some accounting problems for us.) Registration is not *complete* until we receive your tuition.

OR

2. Mail the same information listed above along with your tuition payment to:

Foundation Institute
Attn: Continuing Education
PO Box 1009
Allen, TX 75013

Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis. Tuition checks will not be deposited until we are certain we have filled the requested session.

If you have any questions, please go to the Foundation Institute website — www.foundationinstitute.org — and select “contact” at the top of the page. We will respond to your inquiries as quickly as possible. Those without Internet access may call the Church office directly at 972-521-7777.

Foundation Outreach Int'l.

Foundation Outreach International and the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, are excited to announce an opportunity for four young adults to serve in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan from mid-August 2016 through mid-June 2017. We are looking for energetic and dedicated young men and women interested in representing God's Church while experiencing both an exciting international volunteer opportunity and a newly developed leadership development program. Jordan remains a relatively safe oasis in a truly unique part of the world that contains very interesting biblical and cultural history. The Church serves in Jordan under the invite of the Royal Family, and we welcome both

single and married couple applicants. Positions in teaching, coaching, tutoring and administration are available at two centers: The Amman Baccalaureate School and the YMWA Centre for the Mentally Challenged. We currently have two outstanding young men and two outstanding young women enjoying a very successful service opportunity and we are looking for four new individuals to carry on this decades-long legacy of successful service and outreach. If you are seriously interested in this project, please do the following: (1) Visit the FOI website

(www.foundationoutreachintl.org/) for more information, (2) Fill out an application online or on hard copy, and (3) Email Cory Erickson at coryderickson@gmail.com to answer questions and receive any additional information needed. The deadline for application is Friday, Apr. 15. Thanks in advance for your interest in this exciting growth opportunity.