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Ken Treybig, Pastor Web sites: http://cogwa.org, http://easttexas.cogwa.org

Phone: 903-844-9246 Friday Sunset: 7:54 p.m. (ET), 7:45 p.m. (R)

East Texas: 2435 County Rd 3107, Gladewater – 2:30 p.m. Song Leader – Wynn Worthen Pianist – MP3s Sermonette – John Flynn Sermon – John Trotter

Ruston: Holiday Inn Express,

Ruston – 1 p.m. Song Leader – Chris Teague Pianist – Vicky Morton Sermonette – Video Sermon – Ken Treybig

General Announcements Holy Day Offerings

Holy day offering envelopes were mailed out several weeks ago with the new booklet. If you did not receive them, please contact headquarters in Allen. Please include your Donor Envelope Number below the date in the space provided as it greatly helps in processing. It can be found on your 2015 year-end receipt.

Checks should be made payable to COG-East Texas, as we will process the offering locally before sending the funds to headquarters. Please do not include other items (tithes, notes, etc.) as that greatly complicates the local processing.

Local Directory

If you have not yet picked up your update form from Mr. Trotter, please do so today and make any needed changes before returning it to him. If your entry in the current directory is accurate, just write "same" on the form and return it.

If you need or want a new photo, please see Joanne Gonzalez.

Work Party

We will have another work party this Sunday to move our other items over from the old hall and get more settled in our new building. Due to Feast registration beginning at 9 a.m. our time, we will start the work party at 11 a.m.

Building Guidelines/Meeting

With the new building comes the need to establish some guidelines for use and the need for some new signup lists for volunteers. We already know we do not want food or drink on any of our fabric chairs and not in the auditorium except for designated events like potluck meals, etc.

However we need to discuss many other aspects and want to get a lot of input in establishing them. We will have a meeting on **Monday night, May 3,** <u>at</u> <u>6:30 p.m. for deacons and elders</u> <u>as well as all the service area</u> <u>coordinators (and their spouses).</u>

Unleavened Bread Services

The Last DUB is this Fri., Apr. 29, and we will have two services—10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the same locations as the first day. East Texas will have a potluck lunch between services.

Feast Registration

Feast registration opens tomorrow, Apr. 24, 2016, at 10 a.m. Eastern time. To enable us to have the online registration process run smoothly, we have changed the date of U.S. Festival registration to Sunday, Apr. 24. We ask that ALL COGWA households please complete the online Festival registration process-whether you are attending in the U.S. or internationally. We also ask that those NOT attending the Feast please register as well-as this gives us more accurate figures for planning. Members without Internet access will be assisted by their local Festival adviser.

Beginning at 10 a.m. Eastern time on Sunday, Apr. 24, members can begin accessing the <u>http://feast.cogwa.org/</u> web page for Feast registration. The email address of the registrant will be used to identify that person's or family's registration account.

After accessing the COGWA Feast web page, simply click on the "REGISTRATION" button and begin the process. This first

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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 step will set up your registration portal account—unless you already have one. Those of you who registered for either the Young Adult Leadership Weekend in February OR our COG-WA Youth Camps for 2016 will already have your email and password set. You do not need to set up another account.

After completing that first step, all registrants will then receive a confirmation email almost immediately. To complete the registration process, simply access that email, click on the link provided and finish the Festival registration (site volunteer inforselection. mation, etc.) for you and each member of your household. Please be sure to complete the sections asking about "special needs," if any exist.

We also encourage all of our members to consider how they might wish to SERVE at the Feast, as this information will be requested as part of the registration process as well.

New Camp Application System

In order to serve you better, we have created our own system for applications and registrations, and it is now open. Please note there are two main steps to apply for camp with the new system.

1. Create a household account on the COGWA portal and add your spouse, if applicable, and any members of your household who wish to apply for camp.

2. When you log into your account, COGWA Youth Camps 2016 will show in the Upcoming Events section with a link to begin the application process.

Since the system is new, we have created a tutorial on how to use it, and we strongly encourage you to read it before you start your application. It is the "Applying for Camp-Start Here" article on the home page of the camp website. camps.cogwa.org. You can also find it by clicking on the Apply button on the navigation bar then clicking the link in the second sentence to read the article/tutorial. You can then go back to the Apply page to start the process.

If you have any questions or problems, you can contact us via email at <u>registra-</u> tion@cogwa.org.

Camp Lone Star Deadline

Due to the late start of our new registration system, the application deadline for Camp Lone Star has been moved back close to the start of camp. You are welcome to still apply if you have not yet done so. However you are requested to apply ASAP to allow the director time to plan.

Case Reception

Eric and Nancy Case would like to invite everyone to a reception honoring the marriage of their son, Cody, to Brittany. The reception will be next Sunday, May 1, at our new hall beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet again on May 14.