

Church of God, a/wa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • September 10, 2016

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 7:34 p.m. (ET), 7:25 p.m. (R)

East Texas: 24345 County Rd 3107, Gladewater – 2:30 p.m.

Song Leader – John Flynn

Pianist – Ardith Weiss

Sermonette – Gordon McCarty

Sermon – Ken Treybig

Ruston: Country Inn & Suites, Ruston – 1 p.m.

Song Leader – Johnny Callender

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Johnny Callender

Sermon – John Trotter

General Announcements

Excused Absence Forms

If you need a form for work or school, please sign the list on the Information Table (one name per line please). We will have them available for you next Sabbath.

Teens

There will be a meeting for teens and their parents shortly after services **today** to discuss plans for this year.

Volleyball Practices

Our first coed volleyball practice will be tomorrow, Sunday, from 9-11 a.m. at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym. The practice is for teens and adults.

Deacon/Elder Meeting

The next deacon/elder meeting will be this Tuesday night, Sept. 13, starting at 7 p.m.

“Friday Night Live”

Mr. Andy Burnett will present the next “Friday Night Live” Bible study next Friday night, Sept. 16, titled “Personality and Character: What Role Does Each Play in How We Get Along with One Another?” Go to

<http://members.cogwa.org/fnl/> to connect.

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet again right after services on Sept. 17.

Men’s Club

The next Men’s Club meeting will be about 45 minutes after services on Sept. 24.

Feast Children’s Choir

Preparations are being made to have a children’s choir for our children aged 5 to 12 at each of our U.S. Feast sites this fall. (Some English-speaking international sites may be able to do so as well.) This year the children will be singing two original pieces of music written by COGWA Church members. The first is titled “Keepin’ the Feast”; and the second, “The Millennium Polka.” Both have been approved by headquarters.

The music and rehearsal parts are posted on the Feast website; but due to copyright issues, it is password-protected and we

have been instructed not to print or post the password anywhere. To get the password (or a CD with the rehearsal and performance tracks of both songs) please contact Jennifer Crist in East Texas or Johna Barnette in Ruston.

We have permission from the composers to post these files and allow members who will attend the Feast with us to download and use them. However, we do *not* have permission to forward them to friends or repost them elsewhere. We ask that you only share the password with others planning to attend one of our COGWA Feast sites. Your help in respecting the copyright and royalty rights of the composers is greatly appreciated.

We encourage all children in this age range to participate. Once at the Feast of Tabernacles, listen for announcements regarding when and where the children should meet in order to participate.

Feast Assistance

We appreciate the excess Festival fund contributions that have been sent in by many members. In the next few weeks we will be distributing Festival funds to assist over 200 people who would not have been able to attend the Feast without your

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generosity. Thank you for being willing to share your blessings with them. If you now find that you will have more than you need this year, your excess Festival funds can still be sent in to the Church office.

Feast Registration

We really appreciate the cooperation of members in registering for the Feast—either by doing it online yourself or by doing it with the help of your local Feast advisers. This year you've had the ability to create and edit your own registrations through our new registration portal. Thank you! We've found this process to be a great help to our coordinators in planning for the Feast.

Change in Plans: If any of you have changed the site you originally registered for, please be sure you have changed your registration to reflect the NEW site you will now be attending.

Not Yet Registered: We know there could be some who have just begun to attend with us or who, for some other reason, were not able to register during the initial online registration period. No worries! This system is still open for registration. To register, either go to <http://feast.cogwa.org/> and click the Registration link or go directly to the registration portal <https://portal.cogwa.org/acct/>. We would appreciate it if any NEW or UPDATED registrations could be completed by Sept. 11.

If you have signed up for camp or for the Young Adult Leadership Weekend this year, you may already have an account. If not, you will need to create an account by clicking on

the Create an Account link. Once you are able to log in to your account, click on the Register button under Events > Feast of Tabernacles 2016 (lower left corner of the page). This will allow you to register each household member individually for the Feast. Be sure you complete the registration process once all household members are set up by clicking through to the Review and Confirmation pages of the registration process.

If you are not able to create your own online account, please see Eric Case in East Texas or Chris Teague in Ruston and allow them to help you get registered for the Feast.

We appreciate your attention to these details. Having accurate attendance figures for each site assists us in properly planning for all of the activities and services we have planned for the Feast!

Houston Family Campout

Due to Lake Livingston park renovations, this year's annual family campout will be held at Martin Dies Jr. State park located 13 miles west of Jasper, TX on route 190. We will be utilizing an online registration method to reserve sites. Online registration will commence Sunday morning, Sept. 11, at 8 a.m. and run through Sunday, Oct. 2. The link to the site is: www.lakelivingstoncampout.com, however the site will not open for reservations before 8 a.m. Sept. 11. You will not be able reserve specific campsites, so we've enhanced the website with a comments section to let us know of preferences, special needs, etc. There are plenty of

hotels in Jasper for those who wish not to camp, but join the family fun. A link to local hotels will be included on the website. We will be supplying manual order forms for those who do not have access to the internet, however the sites are first come, first served, so it's recommended that you contact someone with internet service, or submit your forms, with payment, as early as possible so we can ensure a site for you. Sites cannot be held without payment. That said, if you wish to attend, but cannot afford a site, please let us know, and we will make sure you are able to attend. Forms will be available next Sabbath. If you have any questions, please contact Taige or Tanya McIntyre. Taige: 614-332-9432; Tanya: 614-332-9180 or email at: lakelivingstoncampout@gmail.com.