Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston Announcements • September 24, 2016

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Web sites: http://cogwa.org, http://easttexas.cogwa.org Friday Sunset: 7:16 p.m. (ET), 7:06 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Ed Weiss Pianist – Ardith Weiss Sermonette – John Flynn Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Chris Teague Pianist – Johna Barnette Split Sermon – Gordon McCarty Split Sermon – Johnny Callender

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.

Unable to Attend Feast

There will be a short meeting right after services **today** for those in East Texas unable to travel to the Feast this year. Please meet at the room in the back of the auditorium.

Teen Bible Study

There will be a teen Bible study in the classroom after services **today** right after the meeting of those unable to travel to the Feast.

Men's Club

The next Men's Club meeting will be about 45 minutes after services **today**.

Volleyball Practices

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.

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet again on Oct. 8.

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 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 Fes-

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Feast of Trumpets

Feast of Trumpets will be Monday, Oct. 3, and we will have two services—10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at our normal locations.

Potluck on Trumpets

There will be a potluck meal between services on the Feast of Trumpets in East Texas. Please bring two of the following food items: meat dish, vegetable dish, salad, or dessert. Also, be sure to label your serving dishes. Thanks for your help!

Holy Day Offerings

Everyone should have received holy day offering envelopes. 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.

Atonement

Atonement will be Wednesday, Oct. 12, and we will have services at 2:30 p.m. at our normal locations.

Services before the Feast

Sabbath services in East Texas on October 15 will be moved to **1 p.m.** We will not have

snacks after services. Ruston services have been cancelled.

Houston Family Campout

Hello everyone! Just wanted to send a reminder to everyone to go online asap to: www.lakelivingstoncampout.co m and register for the annual campout Nov. 11-13. If you have already registered, you should have received an automatic confirmation. If you did not, please let us know asap. Registration ends Oct. 2.

As most of you know, the campout was moved to Martin Dies Jr. State Park this year due to Lake Livingston State Park being under complete reconstruction. We will be doing our best this year to accommodate everyone's requests about who they want to stay close to. Please be patient with us, however, as this is being done manually, and sometimes circumstances do not allow for us to put you immediately beside your requested party, but maybe a site or two to one side or the other or across the street. Also, we were not able to obtain guaranteed sites even though we have reserved all but a handful (due to previous outside reservations made before we were able to make ours) of the sites in the loop we've selected. So consequently, we have to manually assign sites. This will not be confirmed until you arrive, as we will not know exactly what sites we have until the morning of our arrival. We will all be in the same area however. I will be going up a couple days early to make sure to be the first one in line when the ranger doors open to select our desired sites. You will find out what site(s) you have when you check in at the main ranger station per the directions on the website.

We think everyone will enjoy this year's campout at a new venue, although plans are to return to Lake Livingston in '17 unless something unforeseen happens.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us via email if possible or by phone. Thank you all for allowing us to help plan such a wonderful tradition here in the Houston area!

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