

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • February 4, 2017

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 5:54 p.m. (ET), 5:45 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Mark Benton

Pianist – MP3s

Sermonette – John Flynn

Sermon – Scott Hammer

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

Song Leader – Dan Pierce

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Rod Gehrke

Sermon – Ken Treybig

### General Announcements

#### Headquarters Address

It has come to our attention that we have the wrong PO Box in the Local Directory for tithes and offerings sent to headquarters. Pre-addressed envelopes are sent out several times a year, so you probably have the correct one already, but we'll run it here anyway. Tithes and offerings should be mailed to the following address:

PO Box 731480

Dallas, TX 75373-1480

General correspondence can be mailed to:

PO Box 1009

Allen TX 75013-0017

Our apologies for any inconvenience this might have caused.

#### Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet **today** after services. Please get a

snack and bring your Bible to the classroom.

#### Basketball Practices

Basketball practice will be tomorrow, Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Big Sandy Middle School Gym. The practice is for teens and adults.

#### “Friday Night Live”

Mr. Doug Horchak will present the next “Friday Night Live” Bible study next Friday night, Feb. 10, titled “Who Are the Ministers of Jesus Christ?” Go to <http://members.cogwa.org/fnl/> to connect.

#### Teen Bible Study

There will be a teen Bible study after services on Feb. 25.

#### Men’s Club

The next Men’s Club meeting will be about 45 minutes after services on Feb. 25.

#### Young Adult Leadership W/E

Here is a quick reminder to our young adults to remember to register for our fifth Young Adult Leadership Weekend, to take place simultaneously in Atlanta, Branson, Columbus, Fort Worth and Minneapolis/St. Paul in just three weeks, on Presidents’ Day weekend, Feb. 18-19, 2017.

#### Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 844-9246

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The deadline for registering is fast approaching, and we encourage you to register as soon as possible! As you have heard, this year’s theme will be “Walk as He Walked: Building the Character of Christ.” Two keynote sessions, followed by discussion periods, will be the major educational focus. In addition, a small group discussion session will ask participants to identify the character that Christ displayed during times of great stress in His life. We’ll then strive to identify how we can apply these lessons in our lives and “walk as He walked.”

The presentations and the interactive small group session—all covering topics suggested by a team of COGWA young adults—are designed to inspire and motivate us toward greater spiritual service. You will not want to miss this opportunity for further instruction and interaction. Plan to join us for this very special weekend!

**Online registration is now open.** For more information and to register, simply go to <http://members.cogwa.org/yalw>.

#### Local Variety Show

With the Variety Show coming up on March 4, plans are underway to make the evening a great success! Some have signed up to perform already,

and we are ready for more acts! There is a sign-up sheet at the Information Center, and we will be accepting participants until **Feb. 18**, two weeks before the show. If you already have signed up verbally, please sign up again on the sign-up sheet so we don't miss anybody. Once you have signed up you will be receiving an email including more information on what will be needed from the performers for the sound set up and program lineup. If you have any questions please contact Aubrey Jenison, either by phone or email found in the church directory.

### **Teen Formal/Basketball**

The annual teen formal is fast approaching. This year's theme, "New York, New York," will serve as an excellent backdrop for a classy evening of food and dancing, as we honor this year's high school graduates. Our local website, <http://cogwadallas.org/teens/>, provides all of the details regarding the Sabbath service, registration, hotel accommodations, the formal, where to send biographical information for graduating seniors, and basketball the following day. Registration is time-sensitive (March 4 deadline) and the hotel rooms at Embassy Suites fill quickly. March 4 also represents the deadline for parents of graduating seniors to provide high school senior bio's and pictures for the slide show presentation. We look forward to spending this special weekend with you!

**Dallas-Fort Worth Evening**

On April 15, the Sabbath during the Days of Unleavened Bread, the Fort Worth congregation will again be hosting a combined Sabbath Service for the Dallas and Ft Worth congregations at the beautiful Marriott Solana Hotel in Westlake Texas (near the DFW Airport). Later that evening, we will have a full 3 course dinner served and then dance to a live band as we celebrate the Festival together. The hotel has agreed to hold their pricing to what they did for us in 2014.

All rooms will be \$99 a night and include a full complementary buffet breakfast for 2 and the meals will be a choice ranging from \$34 to \$39 depending upon the entree chosen. As this is during the Feast Days, it is an appropriate use of 2<sup>nd</sup> Tithe if you so choose.

### **Foundation Outreach Int'l.**

Foundation Outreach International and the Church would like to announce an opportunity for up to six young adults to serve in three different educational projects in late July/early August in the African countries of Zambia, Zimbabwe and Malawi!

Visit the FOI website (accessible from the COGWA member website) for details or pick up copies of both the **fact sheet** and the **full application** at the Information Center. Note: Please submit this FULL APPLICATION, NOT the short, interest application from the website. The deadline for applying is **April 7, 2017**.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Doug Horchak at [doug.horchak@cogwa.org](mailto:doug.horchak@cogwa.org).

### **Foundation Institute**

Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, is pleased to announce that we are now accepting applications for our sixth academic year, Aug. 2017 through May 2018. The Foundation Institute website provides helpful answers to most questions about attending FI.

Those who are interested in attending next year should go to the Foundation Institute website and click on the "Apply Now" tab. You may print an application and fill it out by hand, or you may fill it out online and then print out the completed application. Completed applications may be mailed to the address on the application or emailed as a PDF attachment to [apply@foundationinstitute.org](mailto:apply@foundationinstitute.org).

Our facility is at capacity this year, and we anticipate similar interest next year, so we encourage those who are interested to submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadline for applications for next year will be May 31, but it is possible we will reach capacity prior to that date. We plan to accept our first group of incoming students just prior to Passover.