Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • March 17, 2018

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Web sites: http://cogwa.org, http://easttexas.cogwa.org Friday Sunset: 7:28 p.m. (ET), 7:19 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – John Flynn Pianist – Kathy Treybig Sermonette – Rod Gehrke Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Chris Teague Pianist – Johna Barnette Sermonette – Steve Barnette Sermon – John Trotter

General Announcements

Excused Absence Forms

It is time to get spring holy days excused absence forms for work or school. Please sign the list at the Information Center if you need one. If you signed the list last week, the forms are underneath the sign-up sheet.

Men's Leadership Club

Men's Club will meet **today** about 45 minutes after services.

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet next Sabbath, March 24.

Night to be Much Observed

Passover and the spring holy days will be here in just two weeks so it is time to get your plans set for the Night to be Much Observed. Enough have signed the list so we will have a meal here in the church hall that

evening. The Treybigs are coordinating this year, and today is the last day to sign up. They and two other couples plan to provide the meat dishes. Everyone else will be asked to bring the veggies, salads, desserts and unleavened bread. Please sign the list if you'd like to join the group. Those signed up will be contacted by email.

Passover Assistance

Please sign the list on the Information Center if you will need assistance with foot washing at the Passover service. If you have any questions contact Nancy Worthen at 903-636-4773 or email at granaryst@juno.com.

Passover

In addition to your Bible, everyone is asked to bring a foot basin and towel for the foot washing at Passover services Thursday, March 29. Ruston will meet at the Origin Bank in Ruston. To simplify things, Ruston will start at 7:30 p.m. and East Texas will start at 7:45 p.m. Please be in your seats a few minutes ahead of time.

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 2017 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.

Unleavened Bread Services

The First Day of Unleavened Bread is Saturday, March 31. We'll have one service in the afternoon at our normal locations starting at 1 p.m. in Ruston and 2:30 p.m. in East Texas.

The Last DUB is on Friday, Apr. 6, and we will have two services—10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at our normal locations. East Texas will have a potluck lunch between services.

Black Tie Ball

The Houston congregation invites you to a semi-formal/formal dinner and dance with a live band on Sat., April 7. It will be held at the Spring Chateau (4010 FM 2920,

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Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 714-3684 Les McCullough – (903) 636-5585 Larry Solomon – (903) 939-2377 Leon Walker – (903) 636-4928 Scott Hammer – (903) 845-5189 Melton McNeely – (903) 769-3394 John Trotter – (903) 636-4515 Spring, TX 77388) from 6-11 p.m. The cost for teens/adults will be \$37 and children (under 12) \$15. Register by March 23 by clicking here **Black Tie Ball**. The brochure is at the Information Center.

Camp Applications

The camp application system is now open. Simply go to your COGWA portal account, look under the Events area on the bottom left of your account main page and click on the "Click Here to Apply." If you do not already have a COGWA portal account, go to the "Apply" page of the camp website (http://camps.cogwa.org/apply/) and click the link in the second paragraph for instructions on how to set up your portal account. Details about each camp can be found on the individual camp pages of the camp website.

Please note that we need a NEW photo (taken within the three months before an application is submitted) of each person that applies for camp to use in case of a medical emergency. If you need to upload a new photo, go to your portal account home page, find the name of the person applying for camp at the top right of the page under the "Household Members" heading and click the camera icon. Follow the instructions to upload a new photo and make that the default profile image.

We would also like to remind everyone that we want all COGWA attendees who wish to attend camp to have that opportunity. To help ensure that, we offer scholarship help (generally a partial tuition scholarship) to those who need it to be sure they can attend one camp this year. Simply contact the camp director to request a scholarship to get the process started.

The theme for this year's camps is, "Walking with Integrity," and the first deadline is approaching, which is April 9 for Camp Lone Star. We hope to see you at camp this year!

Feast Registration

Festival registration opens on April 1, 2018, at 10 a.m. Eastern time. We ask that ALL COGWA households please complete the online Festival registration—whether attending in the U.S. or internationally. If adult members in one household are attending different sites, they will need to register individually. We also ask that those NOT able to attend please register as well—this gives us more accurate figures for planning.

Beginning at 10 a.m. Eastern time on Sunday, April 1, log into your COGWA Portal account, look for the Feast registration entry under the "Events" area at the bottom left of your account main page and click on the link to start your registration. Be sure to register for each person in your household.

If you need help registering, please see our local festival advisor (Eric Case in East Texas and Chris Teague in Ruston).