

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • April 24, 2021

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 7:55 p.m. (ET), 7:46 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Mark Benton

Pianist – Kathy Treybig

Sermonette – James Ellis

Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Johnny Callender

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – *In Accord*

Sermon – John Trotter

### General Announcements

#### Snacks

Today is the day for snacks after services! As previously announced, we are providing pre-packaged items that will be served along with bottled water and a few other drinks in the Snack Room. Please take only one item from each type.

#### Registration-Assigned/Satellite Sites

We hope those planning to attend their assigned site, as well as those who qualify to attend one of the satellite sites, have already registered. However, if you haven't, please be sure to register before 10 a.m. this Sunday.

#### Festival Registration

Festival registration for all transfers opens this Sunday, 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 attending please register as well by selecting "NOT ATTENDING" as their site choice. This gives us more accurate figures for planning.

Beginning at 10 a.m. Eastern time this Sunday, April 25, members can begin accessing the [feast.cogwa.org](http://feast.cogwa.org) web page (or go directly to [portal.cogwa.org/acct](http://portal.cogwa.org/acct) if they know where they want to attend) for Feast registration. After accessing the COGWA Feast web page, simply click on the "REGISTRATION" tab and begin the process.

All registrants will receive an email verification immediately after completing the registration. Those desiring to volunteer to assist with special music or other areas of service at the Feast will receive a link for such with their email verification.

*Members without Internet access* should ask their local Festival adviser for assistance.

#### 2021 Camp COVID Protocols

Greetings from the camp team! We are looking forward to running our camps as normal this year—with a few modifications. We have spent countless hours researching and discussing how we might be able to safely run our camps, and we have modeled our current thinking for requirements on how the American Camp Association described some camps running successfully in person. The approach basically involves testing everyone before camp, as well as adding some more screening and ongoing monitoring of campers and staff.

We have posted our conclusions on a new COVID page of the camp website. It is available by clicking this link ([camps.cogwa.org/covid/](http://camps.cogwa.org/covid/)) or by going to the camp website and selecting the "COVID" tab on the top navigation bar.

We would encourage everyone considering camp this summer to take a look at the page. As you do, keep in mind that the newer approach to PCR tests involves only running a swab around the nostrils, not the deep push up into the nasal cavity.

Additionally, we would remind everyone that this situation is **fluid**—meaning that if things in the areas around our camp locations either improve or get

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worse, we will modify our protocols. For example, the CDC has just released some new information about the antigen (rapid) tests being more accurate than in the past. We are currently evaluating that information, and if it is clear we should modify our protocols, we will be sure to post that information—so please be patient, but check the page regularly.

We also wanted to give you a quick update on the application system. It has been further delayed due to having our outside attorney do a complete review and modification of our waivers and releases. He's an expert in his field, and you will find the new documents to be very different this year. The good news is twofold—we are getting close to having them finalized, and the documents will be initialed (digitally) on each page with a digital signature on the final page. We hope to open the application system soon and will make this year's camp video available at the same time.