

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • June 5, 2021

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 8:24 p.m. (ET), 8:14 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Mark Benton

Pianist – Kathy Treybig

Split Sermon – James Ellis

Split Sermon – Rod Gehrke

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

Song Leader – John Ivey

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Tom Moffitt

Sermon – Steve McNeely

General Announcements

Men's Club

The Men's Club end-of-year Ladies' Night was planned for last year, but was abruptly canceled by the pandemic. The club was unable to meet this year, but is happy to have their 'missed' Ladies Night after services next Sabbath, May 12.

Deacon/Elder Meeting

The next deacon/elder meeting will be Tuesday night, Jun 15, at 7 p.m. in our church hall.

Church Fundraiser

Those of you who are interested in donating items or setting up a booth at the upcoming garage sale to raise funds for our local Church, please contact Rochelle Boyce at 903-636-5656. She is looking at scheduling the fundraiser on either July 8-9 or July 15-16.

Festival Registration

If you have not registered for the Feast this year, please do so as soon as possible.

Summer Camps

Our camp season begins tomorrow with Camp Lone Star. Two more preteen camps run the next week and two more the week after that.

The camp team has adopted some special COVID protocols for this year to help ensure no one comes to camp with the virus. Your prayers for God's blessing and protection on all our camps this year would be greatly appreciated.

Volunteering to Serve or Help with Special Music at the Feast

We would like to thank our members for their diligence in registering for the Feast of Tabernacles this year. While our new system had a few initial bumps, it is now up and running smoothly. At this time we are asking for your help in volunteering to serve one another during the Feast. We deeply appreciate all who have already volunteered and want to encourage everyone else to do so. By each of us helping out in whatever way we are able, each Feast site runs smoothly and every member is cared for.

Also, since COVID restrictions are easing across the

U.S., we are organizing live, "normal" choirs at each of our U.S. sites and are in need of singers. Please consider volunteering for this important aspect of service.

To volunteer to serve at the Feast, follow these steps (visually displayed in the attached instruction file):

1. Go to your account in the COGWA Portal.
2. Click on the "gear" icon by your Feast registration.
3. Click on the orange button for service and music.
4. Click inside the large box for service and/or for music to get a list of items you can sign up for. Please be patient after clicking, as it sometimes takes a few seconds for the lists to appear. Each type of service or music you add will open another set of options below the large box.
5. When you have entered all your information, be sure to click on the green "Update Service & Music" button to save your selections.

6. Simply close the browser window once the information is updated. The data will stay in the system for next year, but you can also go back to modify your information at any time.

We thank you all in advance for your service at the Feast of Tabernacles!

Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 714-3684

Melton McNeely – (903) 769-3394

Scott Hammer – (903) 738-5367

John Trotter – (903) 636-4515

Limited Openings Available for FI Educational Tour of Israel in 2022

Foundation Institute had planned to sponsor a bilingual (English and Spanish) educational tour of Israel in June 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we made the difficult decision to postpone the trip one year (to June 2022). Though the majority of those who signed up for the 2021 trip decided to participate in the rescheduled 2022 trip, some needed to withdraw. This has opened up approximately 12 spaces on the English bus and 11 spots on the Spanish bus.

We now plan to conduct the trip from May 31 to June 7, 2022. This will also allow us to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost in Jerusalem.

The trip will follow a similar itinerary to that of our past educational tours, starting in the northern part of Israel and ending in the city of Jerusalem. The trip will include visits to:

Caesarea, Megiddo and Mount Carmel.

The Sea of Galilee and northern Israel—Mount of the Beatitudes, Nazareth and Tel Dan.

The Jordan Valley—Beth Shean, Qumran, Masada.

Jerusalem—Temple Mount, City of David, Hezekiah's Tunnel, Western Wall, Golgotha and the Garden Tomb, Yad Vashem, etc.

We will tour on air-conditioned coaches with professional Israeli guides and historians. There will also be on-site lectures from FI instructors and ministers, as well as services in Jerusalem on the Sabbath and Pentecost.

Since we only have a few openings, we anticipate receiving more applications than we can accommodate, and we want to be as fair as possible to everyone. Therefore, after giving everyone a few days to apply, we will use an electronic lottery system to select who will have the opportunity to join the group and who will be put on a waiting list.

Refer to the attached fact sheet for more information about the trip and about how to register for these available spots.

We hope you will consider joining us for this exciting opportunity!

David Johnson and Erik Jones