

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • October 23, 2021

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 6:40 p.m. (ET), 6:30 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Ken Treybig

Pianist – Kathy Treybig

Sermonette – Rod Gehrke

Sermon – David Treybig

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

Song Leader – Johnny Callender

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Tom Moffitt

Sermon – Scott Hammer

General Announcements

Thank You

Thank you to John Flynn for coordinating the Feast Reflections Meal and Bonfire and to all those who contributed grills and helped with setup and takedown. Also thank you to Mr. Hammer for taking care of the bonfire and Rod Gehrke for setting up and running the hayride. It was an enjoyable evening with perfect weather for the event.

Garage Sale

Our garage sale last Friday and Sunday made right at \$650. Special thanks to Rochelle Boyce, all those who helped her, those of you who donated, and everyone who prayed about the sale. It went very smoothly!

Men's Leadership Club

Our 2021-22 Men's Leadership Club will get started after services next Sabbath, Oct. 30.

We will have a Tabletopics session and are then asking everyone to do a short 7-10 minute icebreaker speech.

Since some have difficulty traveling, we will try using web meeting software for those out of town. It's not quite as good as being together in person, but it is better than missing out entirely!

Sabbath School

Yes, it's time to get started with Sabbath School for this school year. We are planning to have the sessions during the sermonette time this year to see how that works.

A start date will be announced very soon! Contact Crescina Zepeda if you would like to help out some this year.

Winter Camp

We are moving forward with plans to hold our teen Winter Camp over the winter break. You'll find more information and can apply at camps.cogwa.org. The staff application deadline is Nov. 1, and the camper deadline is Nov. 15.

To decrease the possibility of spreading the COVID-19 virus, we are requesting that participants **not** attend the Winter Family Weekend prior to coming to Winter Camp this year. And, regardless of vaccination or immunity status, we are asking all participants to test negative for

COVID-19 prior to arriving at camp.

Finally, please **do not** purchase non-refundable airline tickets until you are notified to go ahead and do so.

We look forward to seeing you at Winter Camp!

2022 Calendars

The 2022 "God's Creation" calendars are available at Granary locations.

This year we have the wall calendars, and we're selling them for \$8.00, the same price as last year. Proceeds will go to our Local Activity Fund.

Winter Family Weekend—Save the Date:

Save the date for the 2021 Winter Family Weekend! This year's Winter Family Weekend will run from Friday evening, Dec. 24, through Tuesday, Dec. 28, and will once again be held at the Galt House Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky, which has just completed a full renovation.

For your planning purposes, the hotel room rate per night will be \$82 plus tax. More information regarding registration and activities will be announced following the Feast of Tabernacles.

This year's theme is "Armor Up!" A good Christian soldier needs all the protection he or she can have! As we go into battle

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against the seductions of this world, the wiles of the devil and our own human nature, God provides us with armor to protect and shield us. That's why this year's theme is based on Ephesians 6:11, which instructs us to "put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

Make plans to attend this year's Winter Family Weekend to learn more about the amazing protection that God affords His people and to enjoy time with your fellow brethren!

Addition to This Year's Winter Family Weekend in Louisville, Kentucky:

On Sunday night, Dec. 26, an evening of live music is being planned for all to enjoy in the Galt House Grand Ballroom. Many have enjoyed participating in or listening to the "jam sessions" that have taken place at previous WFW events, but this year we are stepping it up!

If you have a band and would like to play a 30-minute set, or perhaps a 60- to 70-minute set, we're looking for you. Unlike a "jam session," this is an opportunity for bands to play a predetermined set.

If you and your bandmates would enjoy the opportunity to entertain an eager crowd of listeners, please contact Mark Winner no later than Oct. 15, 2021. There is limited play time that evening, so the first three bands to contact Mr. Winner will be given the opportunity to play. Should there be enough time (after talking to each band about their playlist), a fourth band may be considered to join the evening's list.

Please direct band-related questions to Mr. Winner at mark.winner@cogwa.org.