

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • December 18, 2021

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 5:16 p.m. (ET), 5:07 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Wynn Worthen

Pianist – Ardith Weiss

Sermonette – Rod Gehrke

Sermon – Ralph Levy

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

Song Leader – Chris Teague

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Johnny Callender

Sermon – Admin Sermon

### General Announcements

#### Sabbath School

Sabbath school class will be **today** during the sermonette. Please send your children to the classroom before the first hymn.

#### Men's Leadership Club

Men's Club will meet about an hour after services **today**.

#### Craft and Fellowship

Once again the ladies will meet **tonight** for crafting and fellowship. Bring your own project or bring round nose or needle nose pliers for jewelry making. If you haven't already been assigned an item to bring, please bring finger foods. We will eat with the Men's Club.

#### Basketball Practices

Our first practice is tomorrow, Sunday, at the Big Sandy Junior High gym from 9 a.m. to noon for preteens, teens and adults.

Preteens will practice from 9-10. We will have additional practices each Sunday in January. The East Texas basketball weekend will be Jan. 29-30 in Spring Hill.

#### Snacks

We will begin having snacks every second and fourth weeks of the month beginning next Sabbath, Dec. 25. Members with a last name beginning with a letter between A and M are asked to bring a prepackaged snack the second week of the month, and those beginning with a letter between N and Z are asked to bring a prepackaged snack the fourth week of the month. Prepackaged snacks may include homemade goods, but they need to be individually wrapped in plastic wrap or packaged in Ziploc bags. Water and coffee will be provided by the Church.

#### WFW Sabbath Services

We will be connecting to the webcast of services from Winter Family Weekend in Louisville next Sabbath, Dec. 25. The service time is 1:30 p.m. Central time. Ruston services are cancelled that day, with everyone tuning in on their own. East Texas will meet and will run their phone hookup for any who need it.

As usual, we ask that you be in your seats early so we can be

sure the webcast is coming through correctly. Thanks for your cooperation.

#### From Nathan Willoughby, co-ordinator, Winter Family Weekend

The COGWA WFW app is now available! You can download it on the App Store or get it on Google Play! Other than our [members.cogwa.org/wfw/](http://members.cogwa.org/wfw/) website, the app will be your main source of information and notifications for this year's WFW. There will be no printed brochure this year, so make sure to download the COGWA WFW app.

#### Winter Family Weekend Registration Reminder

Registration for the 2021 Winter Family Weekend is live! The registration link can be found in your COGWA members portal ([portal.cogwa.org/](http://portal.cogwa.org/)), or by visiting the WFW website at [members.cogwa.org/wfw/](http://members.cogwa.org/wfw/).

#### WFW Hotel Reservations

We have noticed many hotel reservations have a checkout date of Dec. 28. But many participants are registered for activities on the same day. Please check your hotel reservation and confirm you are checking out on the correct date. If you are planning to stay the evening of Dec. 28, make sure your reservation has you checking out on Dec. 29.

#### 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

If you have any questions, please email [wfw@cogwa.org](mailto:wfw@cogwa.org).

### **Variety Show**

We are still looking for acts to fill our WFW Variety Show! If you can sing, dance, play an instrument or put on a skit, we want you! If you have already registered, go into your portal and edit your WFW registration. If you haven't registered, all you have to do is select "variety show participant" when registering. After you sign up, Eric Evans will reach out to you for more information. We have extended the deadline to **Dec. 17**—so don't delay! If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Evans at [eric.evans@cogwa.org](mailto:eric.evans@cogwa.org).

### **Song Leading and Hymn**

#### **Accompaniment Workshop**

Whether you've been leading songs and playing hymns for decades or only for a few weeks, this year's WFW Song Leading and Hymn Accompaniment Workshop is for you! Featuring three teams of song leaders and accompanists, our workshop will be full of tips for "the teams" that bring energy and personality to the song service. Come have a great time, be part of a larger team effort, and take home a refreshed objective on this important part of each week's Sabbath service. If you have any questions about the workshop, please contact Doug Johnson at [doug.johnson@cogwa.org](mailto:doug.johnson@cogwa.org). Looking forward to seeing you there!

### **Art Show**

Attention visual artists! Do you have talents that are best appreciated *not* on stage? We are excited to announce that this year's Winter Family Weekend will host an art show! If you would be interested in sharing your artistic talent, please bring

framed or unframed 2D artwork, sculptures, photography or any other pieces you would like to this year's Winter Family Weekend. But first, go to [survey-monkey.com/r/9KZGN22](https://survey-monkey.com/r/9KZGN22) to answer a few questions and let our curators know what type of art you will bring. We will plan to have artwork on display Sunday and Monday, so artwork can be dropped off at the information desk when you arrive at the Galt House on Friday evening or Saturday evening. If you have any questions or would like to send photos of artwork ahead of time, please contact Amy Duncan at [amysuzanneduncan@gmail.com](mailto:amysuzanneduncan@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing your beautiful work.

### **WFW Progressive Dinner**

We're excited this year to offer the Progressive Dinner of Louisville! Come and experience the food that makes Louisville famous, as we enjoy appetizers, a dinner entrée, and dessert at three of Louisville's favorite locally owned restaurants.

**Date:** Monday, Dec. 27 (depending on interest, we may add a second progressive dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 28)

**Cost:** \$160 per person (all-inclusive—including transportation from the Galt House).

**Space:** Limited to the first 32 people for each progressive dinner—first come, first served!

**Age:** This event is open to those aged 18 and over.

**Time:** 5:15 to 9:15 p.m.

**Deadline:** Registration and payment must be received by Dec. 3, 2021.

### **WFW Book Exchange**

Do you have homeschooling materials or interesting (but no longer needed) books taking up space on your shelf? Or would

you like to add a few new reads to your collection? There will be a table set up outside of the Combs Chandler room Sunday through Tuesday for just this purpose. This is not a book sale, but rather an opportunity for you to swap and share with others. Books not picked up by Tuesday will be donated.

### **WFW Donations Needed**

We need donations for the prize table at this year's WFW Family Fun Fair. Suggested items include children's books, small puzzles, toy cars, small stuffed animals, and small trinkets (finger toys, glow bracelets/necklaces, pencils, erasers, pencil grips, bookmarks, stickers, etc.). We ask that you **not** donate toys that can make a mess—such as glitter, play dough, Slime or Silly Putty. All donations should be clean and in good condition. There's no need to break the (piggy) bank for these donations. Dollar store items are perfect! **Please note:** Due to COVID, **all** donations need to be prepackaged, either in the original manufacturer's packaging or in Ziplock plastic bags. Please have them in bags when you drop them off at the WFW information center at the Galt House. If you plan to donate, please email Gregg and Amanda Pennington at [cogwafamilyfunfair@gmail.com](mailto:cogwafamilyfunfair@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your donations!