

Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

Announcements • April 9, 2022

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 7:44 p.m. (ET), 7:35 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – Scott Fulgham

Pianist – Melissa Fulgham

Sermonette – James Ellis

Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – John Ivey

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Tom Moffitt

Sermon – John Trotter

General Announcements

Sabbath School

Sabbath School will meet again **today** during the sermonette.

Snacks

We will have snacks again after services **today**. Members with a last name beginning with a letter between A and M are asked to bring prepackaged snacks. 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.

Men's Leadership Club

The next Men's Club meeting will be **today** about an hour after services.

Excused Absence Forms

If you need an Excused Absence Form for work or school, please sign the list at the Information Center. They will be available the next Sabbath.

Passover Assistance

Those needing assistance with footwashing at the Passover, please contact Nancy Worthen (granaryst@juno.com/903-636-4773).

Night to Be Much Observed

The Night to Be Much Observed is next Friday night. If anyone still needs a place to go for this special event picturing our escape from spiritual Egypt, and is unable to host anyone themselves, we will have two signup lists at church beginning this Sabbath.

One is for those who are hosting a meal and could make room for one (or possibly two) other people to join them without being an excessive burden.

The other is for those who are alone and would otherwise spend that night alone. We will then inform those with extra room of the individuals who need a place to go.

If you'd rather not sign either list, please just let John Flynn know privately. The goal will be that no person in need has to

spend that night alone that doesn't wish to.

NOTE: This is called the "night" to be much observed, so while we may start before sundown, the meal should still be in progress "in the night", that is after sundown.

Passover

In addition to your Bible, everyone in Ruston is asked to bring a foot basin and towel for the foot washing at Passover services this Thursday, April 14. **Members in East Texas only need to bring your Bible and a towel. Basins will already be in place.** Ruston will meet at the Holiday Inn in Ruston. Sunset times differ by location, so Ruston will start at 7:45 p.m. and East Texas will start at 8 p.m. Please be in your seats a few minutes ahead of time.

Unleavened Bread Services

The First Day of Unleavened Bread is next Saturday, April 16, and the Last Day of Unleavened Bread is on Friday, Apr. 22. We'll have one service on the FDUB in the afternoon at our normal locations starting at 1 p.m. in Ruston and 2:30 p.m. in East Texas. On the LDUB, both locations will have two services at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. East Texas will have a potluck between services.

Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 714-3684

James Ellis – (903) 261-1928

Scott Hammer – (903) 738-5367

Melton McNeely – (903) 769-3394

John Trotter – (903) 636-4515

Offerings on both of the \holy days will be taken up as in the past by passing the offering basket. Those wishing to send in their offering via postal service or by donating online may still do so.

Black Tie Ball—Houston

The Houston North congregation cordially invites you to its spring formal dinner dance which will take place Saturday evening, April 23 at the Spring Chateau, just north of Houston. A fine meal, live music, dancing and fellowship with brethren at a beautiful location is a great way to celebrate the end of the spring holy days. At our last event, after enjoying a lovely meal, 160 people danced the night away to a variety of music genre. Plan to enjoy an evening of good food, music, dancing and fellowship. You won't want to miss out! Seating is limited, so don't wait to purchase tickets. For additional details and to purchase tickets, please visit the event website at:

<https://buytickets.at/cog-wablacktieball2020/261955>

If you have questions, please contact Beth Rule at rulebeta@gmail.com.

Baby Shower – Alex Ditto

Invitations were sent out to everyone in the congregation this week for Alex Ditto's baby shower. The invitation had a typo. The date of the shower is Sunday, May 1, at 10 a.m.

Foundation Institute Continuing Education

We're back! After a three-year hiatus because of the coronavirus, Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, is happy to announce the first two

summer Continuing Education sessions since 2019.

The two weeklong sessions will be held in the Foundation Institute classroom at the Church's headquarters office in McKinney, Texas. We will have capacity for 36 students in each of the two sessions.

These two sessions will be held July 18 to 22 and July 25 to 29, 2022. Classes will be taught by Foundation Institute instructors David Johnson and Ralph Levy, as well as other ministers from the headquarters office. Some 29 hours of Bible instruction will be taught. Details about class offerings are not confirmed yet, but will be announced in due time. Class offerings may not be identical between the two seminars, but for the sake of space, we request that students sign up for only one of the two sessions.

The tuition for each session is \$75 per person or \$125 for a married couple. The fee will cover administrative costs for the program and a light lunch each day.

Registration has already opened. You may sign up as a student by going to the Foundation Institute website (foundationinstitute.org), selecting "Continuing Education," and clicking on the "Register Now" button that will appear near the bottom of the page. Those accepted will receive a confirmation email and further details about the program. Information about local housing will also be sent to those accepted for one of the seminars.

We look forward to seeing you here in Texas, for our first summer Continuing Education seminars in three years. As they say here in Texas, *y'all come!*