

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • May 13, 2023

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Web sites: <http://cogwa.org>, <http://easttexas.cogwa.org> Friday Sunset: 8:08 p.m. (ET), 7:59 p.m. (R)

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

Song Leader – James Richards  
Pianist – Melissa Fulgham  
Sermonette – Rod Gehrke  
Sermon – Steve McNeely

### Ruston: Bernice Community Center, Bernice – 1 p.m.

Song Leader – John Ivey  
Pianist – MP3s  
Sermonette – Chris Teague  
Sermon – James Ellis

### General Announcements

#### Mother's Day

We wish all our mothers a happy Mother's Day tomorrow, May 14.

#### Feast Early Housing

Early housing reservations for the Feast can be made beginning on Sunday, May 14. Usually this is for large families (6 or more in the same household) and those on a tight budget. If you have any questions, talk with our local festival advisors.

Housing reservations for everyone else will begin one week later, Sunday, May 21.

#### "Friday Night Live"

Mr. David Jackson will present the next "Friday Night Live" Bible study Fri. night, May 19. The title is "Broken Parent, Broken Family: What

Would God Have Me to Do?" To connect, go to <http://members.cogwa.org/fnl/>.

#### Men's Leadership Club

Men's Leadership Club will meet again about an hour after services on May 20, which will be Ladies' Night and the final meeting of this club year.

#### International Ministerial Conference

This year an International Ministerial Conference will take place at headquarters May 21-23. Please be praying for safe travels as well as God's inspiration on the meetings.

#### Festival Registration

Registration is open. Members should access the COGWA member portal ([portal.cogwa.org](http://portal.cogwa.org)).

If you need assistance with your registration, please contact your Festival adviser, Mr. Tom Moffit (East Texas) or Mr. Chris Teague (Ruston).

#### Foundation Outreach Int'l

Foundation Outreach International and the Church would like to announce an opportunity for up to four young adults to serve at a teen camp in mid-August in the beautiful country of Kenya! We are looking for young adults

from the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, interested in serving brethren in a camp setting.

Participants will be gone for a total of about 14 days.

We recommend you visit the FOI website (accessible from the COGWA Members website). If you are **seriously interested** in this unique service project, please pick up a **fact sheet** (which details requirements, dates and costs) and the **FULL application**, from the Information Center.

Note: Please submit the FULL APPLICATION. DO NOT submit the short interest application from the website. The application deadline is **May 22, 2023**, so **get your application in soon!**

If you have any questions about this project, don't hesitate to contact Tim Waddle at [tim.waddle@cogwa.org](mailto:tim.waddle@cogwa.org).

Thank you all very much!

#### Pentecost Services

Pentecost is Sunday, May 28. Both locations will have two services at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. East Texas will have a potluck between services.

Offerings on the holy days will be taken up as in the past by passing the offering basket.

#### Elders – Here to serve you

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 714-3684  
Scott Hammer – (903) 738-5367  
Melton McNeely – (903) 769-6849

James Ellis – (903) 261-1928  
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John Trotter – (903) 636-4515

### **Holy Day Offering Envelopes**

The Church of God, a World-wide Association, Inc. has printed a supply of holy day offering envelopes for use during the spring holy days. The envelopes were mailed along with our latest booklet, The Sermon on the Mount. Using these envelopes for your holy day offerings makes processing much easier.

If older children turn in an offering separate from their parents, they are welcome to have their own envelopes. We are legally required to issue a receipt to the person whose name appears on the envelope. If parents want a child's offering added to their record, the parent's name must be on the envelope. If you do not want a receipt, please write "No Receipt" on the envelope.

Please clearly print your complete name and mailing address as they should appear on your contribution receipt. Please also include your donor envelope number, which was printed on your annual receipt. If the envelopes you are using do not include a space for the donor envelope number, please write your donor envelope number beneath the date in the upper left-hand corner of the envelopes (see image below). This information should be filled in on the printed side of the envelope. This will enable us to include the holy day offering in your contribution receipt.

Most local church areas will be processing the holy day offerings locally, so please make sure checks or money orders are made payable to: COG East Texas.

If you choose to include other funds besides your offering for this holy day (tithes, an offering

for another holy day, etc.), please note that these additional funds will be treated as part of your offering for the specific holy day on which they were received. If you would prefer these additional funds be accounted as tithes or other offerings, then please send them separately.

Please remember that the seven annual holy day offerings are in addition to your regular tithes and offerings. Thank you for your generosity and your understanding.

### **FI Application Deadline**

The deadline for submitting applications for the 2023-2024 academic year of Foundation Institute is rapidly approaching. After May 31, we can still accept applications, but we may not be able to locate housing for any late applicants. This year we have adjusted our entry requirements so that those who have recently graduated from high school may apply. Those interested in applying can do so by going to the Foundation Institute website and selecting "Apply Now." This will bring up a page listing the entry requirements and give you the option of applying online or downloading an application.

Time is running short, and the sooner we receive your application, the sooner we will all be able to make the appropriate plans.

### **Mid-Week Bible Study**

Our next mid-week monthly Bible study will be Wednesday, June 7, at 11 a.m. at the East Texas Church building. Please bring snacks and finger-foods for a light lunch.