# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston Announcements • February 10, 2024

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#### Sabbath Services

East Texas: 24345 County Rd 3107, Gladewater – 2:30 p.m. Song Leader – Scott Fulgham Pianist – Melissa Fulgham Sermonette – Rod Gehrke Sermon – Scott Hammer

# Ruston: 1:00 p.m. LA National Bank

Song Leader – John Ivey Pianist – Johna Barnette Sermonette – *Video* Sermon – Steve McNeely

# **General Announcements**

Children's Choir Practice There will be a brief sound check/choir practice today at 2:00 p.m. for any children that can make it. The preteen choir sings today!

## Sabbath School

There will be Sabbath School after Sabbath services today.

Have your child get a snack and head to the classroom.

#### **Men's Leadership**

We will have Men's Leadership Club meeting after services today.

#### Women's Fellowship

We will have Women's Fellowship meeting after services today.

## **East Texas Variety Show!**

Today is the last day to sign up for the variety show! If you have already signed up, please make sure you submit your performing information to Aubrey Jenison.

We have made plans to hold rehearsals during the week leading up to the show on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 20 and 21.

John Flynn and other trusty helpers will be available at the church building for rehearsals.

There is a signup sheet at the information center to sign up for a 20 minute time slot.

Thanks for all your help and cooperation to make this show a great success!

## **Friday Night Live**

Join us on our next Friday Night Live, February 16, "For Those Who Are Least" presented by Nathan Willoughby. To connect, go to http://members.cogwa.org/fnl/.

## Branson Presidents Day Family Weekend Feb. 16-19, 2024

Remember that plans for this event changed dramatically last week with a change in venue to the Stone Castle Hotel and Conference Center, 3050 Green Mountain Drive in Branson. If you need details, check last week's announcements. Copies

## **Elders – Here to serve you**

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are available at the Information Center.

#### **FI Continuing Ed**

Foundation Institute, Center Biblical Education, for is pleased to announce that this summer we will again hold two sessions of Continuing Education seminars at the headquarters office in McKinney, Texas.

Both sessions will be held in the Foundation Institute classroom, which has a capacity for 36 students.

The first session will be July 15 to 19, and the second session will be July 22 to 26. Classes will be taught by Foundation instructors Institute David Johnson and Ralph Levy, as well as other ministers from the headquarters office. Approximately 29 hours of Bible instruction will be taught. Details about class offerings will be announced at a later date. Class offerings will be similar for both sessions, but they may not be identical. Because of space limitations, students may be accepted for only one of the two seminars, not for both.

The tuition cost is \$100 per person, or \$150 for a married couple. The fee will cover administrative costs and a light lunch each day. Registration will open at 10 a.m. Central time (Texas time) on Sunday, Feb. 18, 2024, and will remain open until 10 a.m. Central time on Monday, Feb. 26. During this time you may sign up by going to the Foundation Institute website (foundationinstitute.org), selecting "Continuing Education" and clicking on the

"Register Now" button.

This year we will use a similar system to what we used last year (2023)for accepting participants. All are welcome to apply, but priority will be given to those who have not attended a seminar since 2018. Last year all applicants were accepted, and it is our hope that this year we will again be able to accommodate all of those wishing to attend. But if it is necessary, this priority system will eliminate the firstcome-first-served system and will prioritize those who have not attended a seminar since 2018.

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 2024 Continuing Education seminars. As they say here in Texas, y'all come!

#### 9th Annual Campout-Lake Corpus Christi St. Park

On the weekend of Friday March 22nd through Sunday March 24th the Corpus Christi congregation will be hosting their 9th annual Lake Corpus Christi State Park Campout. Lake Corpus Christi State Park is located about 30 miles north of Corpus Christi, TX. Weekend activities will include a Sabbath Bible Study, campfire fellowship, and a telescope star/planet viewing party after the Sabbath ends.

On Sunday morning we will have a candle making workshop

Last year we had about 75 participants from 4 different church areas, this year we are hoping to host many more. This will be a great activity for hiking, biking, fishing, and fellowshipping.

We will be camping in individual campsites, cabins, and screened shelters in the wooded area of the park. Each campsite has a picnic table, water, electricity, fire ring, and BBQ grill.

To reserve a campsite please contact Arnold Mendez, Sr directly. He has pre-reserved a group of campsites and he will assign you a site.

There is a handout that is available on the information desk (or from the pastor), which contains more information. Or you may go the Corpus Christi COGWA website where an announcement is posted, and the handout can be downloaded and printed out.

If you have any question feel free to contact Arnold Mendez, Sr.Email:

arnold.mendez@cogwa.org Cell number: 361-442-8144

# Challenger Camp 2024

We are excited to announce that Challenger Camp is back! The current plan is to choose a new location each year to create challenging experiences and build lasting bonds.

For this year's camp, we are working on several activities centered around a base camp in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, running from June 23-30.

If you are between the ages of 18 and mid-30s and would like to get some dirt on your boots, please mark your calendars. Further information, including the date for accepting applications, will be announced soon.